

Dear David,

Site Address: Northney Coastal Footpath East of Havant Road, Hayling Island
Proposed Development: Coastal pathway improvements along Northney Road (west of Langstone Hotel), and section of wall by tidal outlet flap.
Reference: APP/16/00678

Response:

Thank you for your consultation on the above application. I can confirm that the Eastern Solent Coastal Partnership (ESCP) has no objection to the proposed development. As outlined in the Flood Risk Assessment (FRA), increasing the height of the bank and path will improve access to the village throughout the year, and in addition will reduce flood risks to the road from high tides. The proposal is in line with the North Solent Shoreline Management Policy for this frontage Langstone Bridge to Northney Farm – policy unit 5AHI01 which recommends Hold the Line for the coastline for the next 100 years. In addition the project offers to create a major link in the proposed coastal path around Hayling Island, as envisaged by Natural England.

The proposed new path design level is 3.4m AOD, which is equal to the present day still water 1 in 200 year flood level for Chichester Harbour. In the event of an extreme tidal flood event exceeding 3.4m AOD, the path is likely to be overtopped. Over time the standard of defence will drop due to the effects of predicted sea level rise.

It should also be noted that in order to form an effective barrier to tidal floodwater that the proposed bund would need to tie into higher ground at either end of the structure. This will need to be negotiated with the landowners.

Kind regards,

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