



INFORMATION ITEM

REPORT OF	MEETING	DATE	ITEM NO
DEVELOPMENT SERVICES DIRECTORATE	OPERATIONAL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE	9 JUNE 2020	6
FAIRHAVEN, CHURCH SCAR, GRANNY'S BAY SEA DEFENCE			

PUBLIC ITEM

This item is for consideration in the public part of the meeting.

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

The information provided is the latest position regarding the major sea defence project at Fairhaven, Church Scar and Grann'y Bay. It covers the challenges presented by the COVID 19 lockdown and members are asked to note and support the latest position.

SOURCE OF INFORMATION

Fylde Coast Project Team

INFORMATION ATTACHED ON

Fylde Coast Sea Defence Project

WHY IS THIS INFORMATION BEING GIVEN TO THE COMMITTEE?

To provide the committee with an update on the sea defence project at a crucial stage of the planned work.

FURTHER INFORMATION

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FAIRHAVEN, CHURCH SCAR, GRANNY'S BAY SEA DEFENCE

The £22 million sea defence project at Fairhaven, Church Scar and Granny' Bay is almost complete, the original scheme involved the construction of sea defences at Church Scar and Fairhaven with Granny's Bay added as part of the project after the project had begun. It was planned from the onset in 2017 to open up the Scheme when it is fully complete; but from listening to the public excitement the Scheme has generated different stages will be opened as soon as practicable.

Church Scar – this section of the sea defence was scheduled to opened early on April 1st 2020 however, due to the COVID 19 lockdown measures the ceremony for opening Church Scar was cancelled. It was also not possible to carry out a proper assessment of the completed works with the contractors for April 1st because of resource and movement limitations created by the national lockdown measures. The instruction to 'stay home, save lives, protect the NHS' was followed by the council and therefore any opening of the sea defence at Church Scar was postponed until there was a relaxation of government advice. On Sunday May 10th the announcement was made to allow greater access to open spaces and unlimited travel for exercise from Wednesday May 13th. Church Scar was opened on Thursday May 14th and the feedback from the public has been very positive.

Granny's Bay – the walkway on the sea defence area at Granny' Bay is scheduled to open on Friday May 29th however, the grassed areas will remained fenced off for the summer period allow the seed to grow.

Fairhaven – VBA, the contractor, is scheduled to finish by 5th June and the work on the benches forecast to be complete to enable an opening around mid-July . The benches were due to have been installed for a 5th June early opening but this was delayed because contractors' employees could not operate safely during the COVID 19 lockdown.