

Coastal Partners and Langstone update meeting 29.1.26

Present: James Spragg (CP), Andy Lewis and Ed Neville
(Langstone)

1. Planning permission for the Langstone flood defence scheme has not yet been received. There is a delay as the planning case officer left post and there was a gap before a replacement started. JS was confident that this has not introduced further delay to the start of the scheme
2. Objections were still being addressed
3. CP still hopes to appoint a contractor in May
4. 'Finessing' actions: non material amendments but no significant above ground, visual change can now be introduced as it would alter the planning application and the whole planning process would have to start again
5. Changes to the new 50cm thick wall along the foreshore and into the high street cannot be easily changed (4 above). C.P. are confident that from a distance the bulkiness of the new wall will not be noticeable, though this is irrelevant to residents who live by it. The wall cappings will be of minimal size. C.P. also believe wall height will be too great for it to act as a seat or a dumping site for picnic waste.

Date of next meeting: mid May