

THE ALDE & ORE ASSOCIATION

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ALDE AND ORE ESTUARY ASSESSORS REPORT

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| NAME: Andrew & Sue McDonald | DATE OF INSPECTION 11th April 2016 |
| LOCATION: Flood Cell 4 | MARCH equinox |
| Area of Assessment Butley River and Gedgrave Marsh TM 39677 48583 to 41591 48472 OS Explorer 212 | |

River wall inspected



SUMMARY

| River Wall / Armour | Saltings | High Tide Debris Line |
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| <p>GOOD.</p> <p>Generally good condition and no major changes since last report; good grass growth over previous repairs. Some repair appear to have been made to buckled revetment plates near pumping station (411476).</p> | <p>No significant change since 2015 overall</p> | <p>Generally below 2 ft line, much less debris than last year at same season.</p> |
| <p>POOR</p> <p>Some areas of worn and cracking pathway, but better condition generally than in 2015 – dry weather in March will have helped after wet winter. Evidence of animal damage here and there.</p> | <p>A few areas of overhang and loss but overall very little changes since 2015.</p> | <p><i>On 2 ft line</i> No major areas of concern</p> |
| <p>SERIOUS CONDITION</p> <p>No major areas of concern</p> | <p><i>No Saltings</i> No major areas of concern</p> | <p><i>Above 2ft line</i> No major areas of concern</p> |

Inspection April 11th 2015



General view of pathway at 397486, start of inspection by Ferry Cottage. Better grassing than 2015, some evidence of past slippage and a few cracks on inward side; no signs of damage since 2015 inspection; landward wall in good order with good grassing, low slope, some cracks evident but all grassed over.



Saltings opposite Butley Ferry jetty (395484, 394482), general view – no changes since last year.



Some gulleying underneath the line of the fenceposts at 394481, towards Boyton Dock, unchanged since 2015; landward side of wall opposite Boyton Dock (394477), all in good order. Pathway worn in places but no concern.



Saltings, pathway and landward wall at 394474, past Boyton Dock. Saltings unchanged, landward side and path apparently in better order than 2015, damage to path grassed over and no evidence of previous apparent slippage on landward side.



2015



2016

The path at 400473, in 2015 and 2016 – continued slumping by posts, and some evidence of slippage on wall facing river, but not worse than last year.



Towards Inset Point, at 405472 – saltings unchanged, path still worn and damaged but better grassed than 2015, spoil berm by ditch on landward side grassing over well.



At 407471, Inset Point – saltings slightly cut away over winter (??); path still damaged and narrowed

and some apparent slippage on inside of the corner but well grassed.



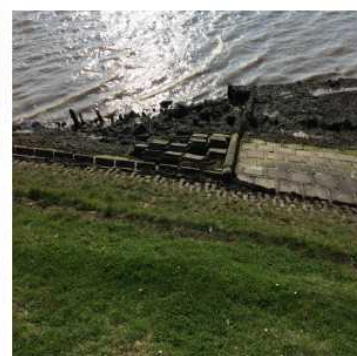
Still at Inset Point, 407471, looking out at saltings and badly eroded protecting stakes – see 2015 photo for comparison.



Towards pumping station, at 408473 - pathway and landward slopes all in good order, no visible changes; slope is occasionally quite steep though; saltings unchanged



At the pumping station inlet, 411475. No significant change since 2015, river wall revetments all in good order here and further along – but see next photo at 411476.



Possible damage (L) to upper edge of river wall revetment (?) 411 476 – this has been repaired since 2015 inspection I believe; better condition (C) further along at 412477; and loose slabs (from repair work??) piled up at edge of revetment at same place (412477).



Boulder and shingle defences at 412478, revetment and damage (already grassed over) to river wall slope above at same place; lumpy landward slope well grassed over further along the pathway towards Chantry Point at 413479.



Pathway at 414483 / 415484 – very lumpy and uneven, some possible damage/slippage on river wall side



Coming towards Chantry Point –



River wall at final bend and saltings general view at Chantry Point, 415 484 – path is worn but better grassed than last year, no visible change to saltings or river wall/slopes.