

# THE ALDE & ORE ASSOCIATION

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## ALDE AND ORE ESTUARY ASSESSORS REPORT

<b>NAMES:</b> Brian Johnson Susan Bowerman Clare Goodchild	<b>DATE OF INSPECTION:</b> 10th, 17th April & 1 <sup>st</sup> May 2018
<b>LOCATION:</b> Flood Cell 1	<b>AREA OF ASSESSMENT:</b> Shingle Street to Butley Mills (Boyton & Butley Marshes)

### SUMMARY

NO SERIOUS PROBLEMS TO REPORT AND SOME GOOD NEWS.

**NOTE:** The above inspections were carried out following severe weather with many days of strong easterly winds at beginning of April and last week of April which mainly affected the lower estuary depositing a huge amount of debris and rubbish as far upstream as Simpson's Saltings.

### River Bank Surveyed:



Mouth of Barthorpes Creek: The gradual breakdown of levee below pillbox - reported each year since 2014 - has been made good since last report with rock armouring (see photograph). Adjacent salting to north broken up by recent severe gales, shingle overtopped onto salting (see photos 1 and 2).

Photo 1



Photo 2



Simpson's Saltings: Fence along levee broken down in many places. Debris line at top of levee. Shingle forced into channels in saltings by gales, considerable rubbish build up.

Chainage 2800: Top of levee south of gate and fence uneven for about 200m.

Chainage 3000: Saltings less than 2m wide - see photos 3 and 4.

Photo 3



Photo 4



Chainage 3250 to 4000: Sheep with lambs on levee. Electric fence at back of saltings not turned on, one line of cable loose allowing sheep access to saltings, could cause damage to Saltings (see photo).

Flybury Point: New gate at north end of saltings, length of levee without saltings at bottom of levee under water every tide. Vulnerable area to watch - 5 and 6.



Photo 5



Photo 6



Chainage 4000 to Boyton Dock: Top of wall uneven

Chainage 8000: Slope on river side, bare patches, slope uneven, possible slump.