

# Keeping you informed

July 2020

## Humber: Hull Frontage (HHF) Flood Defence Improvement Scheme – Victoria Dock Village

This newsletter is to keep you informed on the progress we are making to improve the tidal flood defences at Victoria Dock Village. This work is all part of the Humber: Hull Frontage Flood Defence Improvement Scheme.

### Background

The Humber: Hull Frontage (HHF) Flood Defence Improvement scheme is part of the Humber Flood Risk Management Strategy, which promotes solutions to manage tidal flooding in the Humber Estuary over the next 100 years.

The HHF project is a £42 million flood defence upgrade to the tidal flood defences along the edge of the Humber Estuary.



It will reduce the risk of flooding from the Humber Estuary to 113,000 properties.



The scheme covers approximately 7km of the frontage and will upgrade tidal flood defences at eight locations. The locations from west to east are: St Andrew's Quay Retail Park, St Andrew's Dock, William Wright Dock, Albert Dock, Island Wharf & Humber Dock Basin, Victoria Pier and Victoria Dock Village West and East.

The first phase of construction work started in winter 2018/19 at St Andrew's Quay Retail Park.



Spring 2021

The full scheme is planned to be completed by spring 2021.

### Current Update

Work started at Victoria Dock Village in May 2019.

Our Contractor BMM-JV (a joint venture between BAM Nuttall & Mott MacDonald) have been continuing work at Victoria Dock Village, and other locations of the scheme, during the Covid-19 pandemic.

This is because much of our work on providing new flood defences has been identified as critical work by the government.

We have adapted how we work in line with government guidance to ensure we can continue to focus on our critical activities, such as building new flood defences for your protection. Our team has been trained on social distancing and will not put anyone at risk.

We hope this provides you reassurance that where you see our people and partners they will be working safely and ultimately looking to maintain progress on work that will better protect your community.

The work is progressing in two sections: Section one 'Victoria Dock Village - West' extends from the Half Tide Basin westwards towards The Deep; section two 'Victoria Dock Village - East' extends from the Half Tide Basin eastwards towards Corinthian Way.



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## Victoria Dock Village - West

At Victoria Dock Village - West we have completed the concrete foundations and precast concrete wall units, which form the improved flood defence. Installation of the brick cladding and the coping stones, which sit on top of the flood defence wall, is now underway. As is the installation of some of the flood gates at Camilla Close, Ocean Boulevard and Plimsoll Way. We also will install glazed panels in some locations to ensure the newly constructed wall does not obscure views of The Humber.

In most areas the footpath has started to be re-laid, using the original paving stones. This work will continue over the next few months along with the installation of the remaining flood gates and street lighting which started in late June. The footpath will be re-opened at the end of September 2020.

*New flood defence wall and re-laid footpath*



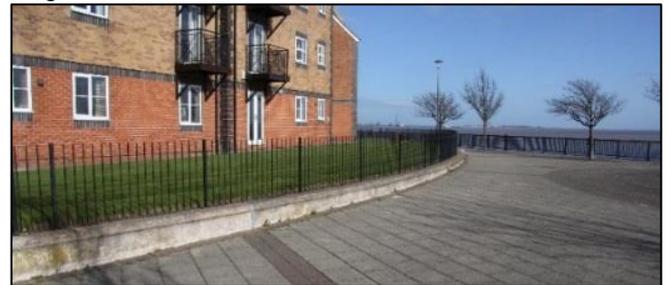
## Victoria Dock Village - East

The footpath at Victoria Dock Village - East has been closed and work has progressed to install the new concrete foundations and flood defence walls working eastwards from the Half Tide Basin. This work will continue over the next couple of months. The installation will generally follow the same construction method as at Victoria Dock Village – West, with the exception of a section of the wall from Harbour Way to Corinthian Way. In this area we will have to use steel sheet piles because of poor ground conditions linked with previous work at the dock in this area. Work in this area will begin at the start of August 2020 and will involve an excavator with an attachment that will vibrate the piles into the ground. We aim to minimise disturbance where possible during this time. We expect the sheet piling will be completed in September 2020 and the footpath re-opened at the end of December 2020.

A recent review of the ground levels in some locations along Victoria Dock Village, such as the

area around Lancelot Court, has confirmed that the ground levels are higher than expected earlier. As a result the height of the new flood defence wall at Lancelot Court can now be lower. The wall will only be approximately 30cm high when viewed from the property. Therefore the glass panels are no longer required to maintain the view of the estuary. We will install railings on top of the wall which will be approximately the same height as the railings removed when our work began.

*Original fence line at Lancelot Court*



*Visualisation of the new flood defence wall and railings at Lancelot Court looking towards The Humber.*



On completion, the flood defence at Victoria Dock Village – East will have the same brick cladding and coping stones as the West side.

We are doing everything we can to keep any disruption and inconvenience to residents to a minimum. However, in order to carry out the construction work, parts of the Trans Pennine Trail remain closed and the signposted diversion route remains in place along South Bridge Road. We will keep the footpath closures under review and we'll re-open some sections earlier if it safe to do so.

### Find out more

You can find out more information about the scheme by visiting our website:

<https://consult.environment-agency.gov.uk/yorkshire/humber-hull-frontages/>

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