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Summary of Planning Application for installation of Ramp (Location 4) at Walton on the Naze, Essex – 23/0160/FUL

A planning application was made, and consent granted, for works to limit erosion of the foreshore at 3 locations under planning ref; 21/01450 /FUL. Location 1 being the Short Wall, Location 2 Groynes to the foreshore, and Location 3 Gabions to low level cliffs.

To allow access to be gained to the foreshore to allow the works to be carried out the application included details of the access under Location 4

Since the granting of consent 21/01450/FUL works have been carried out to Location 3, Groynes to low level cliffs.

Over the period since the granting of the consent erosion in the area of the foreshore has been continuing. The ongoing erosion, and in particular over more recent months, has resulted in loss of a length of the route the access arrangement as granted consent was to take.

The consented access route incorporated crossing the formal sea wall at the north end of Old Hall Lane, and travelling along a track from the sea wall to the foreshore itself. The track being in existence for some considerable time and had a history of previous use, as did crossing of the sea wall at the proposed location, for the purposes of gaining access to the foreshore. The track passing through an area of scrub. The track, when reaching the foreshore, turned through 90° to follow the edge of the scrub, the track sloping down to the foreshore itself, that existed beyond the scrub.

Due to the erosion that has occurred, the length where the track turned through 90° has been lost, the track now terminating at the top of a vertical scarp that has been formed, along what is now the boundary of the scrub with the foreshore. This is as shown on drawing TDC01/03/19 -110 within the inset entitled "Effects of Erosion". The condition at the time of the previously consented application being as shown on drawing TDC01/03/19-100B. Both drawings being submitted as part of the current application.

The current application is therefore to undertake works to reinstate a ramp to allow access to be gained to the foreshore, such that the previously consented works at Location 1 and Location 2 can be taken forward, along with maintaining those already carried out to Location 3 (The ramp will also provide access to the foreshore by others carrying out their duties in connection with the various nearby designated areas of special importance, SSI etc, and emergency access for such bodies as the Coastguard etc. and who may have used the previous arrangement should the need arise. There being no other access to the foreshore following the erosion having occurred).

Details of the proposed access arrangement are shown on drawing TDC01/03/19-100 with it being intended the construction uses the same methods / materials as required for the consented works.

With regard to the supporting information, Planning Statement, Ecological Statement, Transport Plan etc. that are submitted in support of the current application, the constraints, effects etc. are as applied / existed for the consented application. They have

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therefore been updated to include an introduction confirming the proposed works reflect / mirror those previously consented, and are to allow the consented works to be implemented, and thus their content remains relevant and can be applied to the application under consideration.