



## England Coast Path Update: December 2017

Welcome to our update, published regularly to keep interested stakeholders aware of progress on the coastal stretches we are working on around England. The stretch numbers in the table below are those shown on the ECP national overview of progress map on the GOV.UK website: [Coastal Access Map](#)

If you have colleagues who would like to receive this update or you no longer wish to receive it, please let us know. We welcome feedback on the content, format and frequency of the updates.

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Location	Stretch number	Km**	Current Activity*	Further Detail	Next Milestone
<i>West</i>					
<b>Severn Estuary</b> Aust to Brean Down	1	80	Stages 2 & 3: Develop and Propose	Site visits and meetings with landowners to discuss alignment options.	Finalise and publish our proposals early 2018 tbc.
<b>Somerset</b> Brean Down to Minehead	2	93	Open to the Public.		
<b>Dorset</b> Lyme Regis to Rufus Castle (Portland)	11	64	Stage 4: Determine	Public inquiry about objection made by Ilchester Estates concluded on 13 <sup>th</sup> December 2016. Planning Inspector to make a report and recommendation to the Secretary of State.	Decision by Secretary of State.
<b>Dorset</b> Rufus Castle (Portland) to Lulworth Cove	12	32	Open to the Public.		
<b>Dorset</b> Lulworth to Kimmeridge ( <i>part of Lulworth Cove to Highcliffe</i> )	13	12	Stages 2 & 3: Develop and Propose	Site visits and meetings with landowners to discuss alignment options.	Finalise & publish proposals early 2018 tbc.
<b>Dorset</b> Kimmeridge to Highcliffe ( <i>part of Lulworth Cove to Highcliffe</i> )	14	69	Stage 4: Determine	Report published on 21 <sup>st</sup> June 2017. Representations and objections period closed at midnight 16 <sup>th</sup> August 2017 (see <a href="#">website</a> ).	Decision by Secretary of State.
<i>South West</i>					
<b>Exmoor</b> Minehead to Combe Martin	3	57	Stage 4: Determine	Report published on 20 <sup>th</sup> June 2017. Representations and objections period closed at midnight 15 <sup>th</sup> August 2017 (see <a href="#">website</a> ).	Decision by Secretary of State.

<b>Devon</b> Combe Martin to Marsland Mouth	4	129	Stage 1: Prepare	Initial meetings and site visits with stakeholders to discuss alignment options.	Walk the Course visits.
<b>Devon / Cornwall</b> Marsland Mouth to Newquay	5	128	Stage 1: Prepare	Initial meetings and site visits with stakeholders to discuss alignment options.	Walk the Course visits.
<b>Cornwall</b> Newquay to Penzance	6	128	Stage 1: Prepare	Initial meetings and site visits with stakeholders to discuss alignment options.	Walk the Course visits.
<b>Cornwall</b> Penzance to St. Mawes	7	100	Stages 2 & 3: Develop & Propose	Site visits and meetings with landowners to discuss alignment options.	Finalise and publish proposals spring 2018 tbc.
<b>Cornwall</b> St Mawes to Cremyll	8	124	Stage 1: Prepare	Initial meetings and site visits with stakeholders to discuss alignment options.	Walk the Course visits.
<b>Cornwall / Devon</b> Cremyll to Kingswear	9	107	Stage 1: Prepare	Initial meetings and site visits with stakeholders to discuss alignment options.	Walk the Course visits.
<b>Devon / Dorset</b> Kingswear to Lyme Regis	10	109	Stage 4: Determine	Report published on 30 <sup>th</sup> March 2017. Representations and objections period closed at 5pm on 25 <sup>th</sup> May 2017 (see <a href="#">website</a> ).	Decision by Secretary of State.
<i>South</i>					
<b>Dorset, Hampshire</b> Highcliffe to Calshot Castle	15	57	Stages 2 & 3: Develop and Propose	Drafting proposals.	Finalise and publish proposals early 2018 tbc.
<b>Hampshire</b> Calshot to Gosport	16	42	Stages 2 & 3: Develop and Propose	Site visits and meetings with landowners to discuss alignment options.	Finalise and publish proposals spring 2018 tbc.
<b>Isle of Wight</b>	17	126	Stage 1: Prepare	Initial meetings and site visits with stakeholders to discuss alignment options.	Walk the Course visits.
<b>Hampshire</b> Gosport to Portsmouth	18	39	Stages 2 & 3: Develop and Propose	Site visits and meetings with landowners to discuss alignment options.	Finalise and publish proposals early 2018 tbc.
<b>Hampshire</b> Portsmouth to South Hayling	19	36	Stage 4: Determine	Report published on 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2017. Representations and objections period closed at midnight 13 <sup>th</sup> September 2017 (see <a href="#">website</a> ).	Decision by Secretary of State.
<b>Hampshire, West Sussex</b> South Hayling to East Head	20	78	Stages 2 & 3: Develop and Propose	Drafting proposals.	Finalise and publish proposals early 2018 tbc
<b>West Sussex</b> East Head to Shoreham	21	69	Stage 4: Determine	Report published on 27 <sup>th</sup> Sep. 2017. Representations and objections period closed at midnight 22 <sup>nd</sup> November 2017  ( <a href="#">East Head to Shoreham</a> )	Decision by Secretary of State.
<i>South East</i>					
<b>West Sussex, East Sussex</b> Shoreham-by-Sea to Eastbourne	22	50	Stages 2 & 3: Develop and Propose	Site visits and meetings with landowners to discuss alignment options.	Finalise & publish proposals spring 2018 tbc.

<b>East Sussex</b> Eastbourne to Camber	23	53	Stage 1: Prepare	Initial meetings and site visits with stakeholders to discuss alignment options.	Walk the Course visits.
<b>Kent, East Sussex</b> Camber to Folkestone	24	47	Open to the Public.		
<b>Kent</b> Folkestone to Ramsgate	25	59	Open to the Public.		
<b>Kent</b> Ramsgate to Whitstable	26	40	Stage 5: Open	Establishment works being discussed with owners / occupiers.	Commence rights 2018.
<b>Kent</b> Isle of Sheppey	27	51	Stages 2 & 3: Develop and Propose	Site visits & meetings with landowners to discuss alignment options.	Finalise and publish proposals spring 2018 tbc.
<b>Kent</b> Whitstable to Iwade	28	43	Stage 4: Determine.	Report published on 21 <sup>st</sup> June 2017. Representations and objections period closed at midnight on 16 <sup>th</sup> August 2017 (see <a href="#">website</a> ).	Decision by Secretary of State.
<b>Kent</b> Iwade to Grain	29	58	Stages 2 & 3: Develop and Propose	Site visits and meetings with landowners to discuss alignment options.	Finalise and publish proposals spring 2018.
<b>Kent</b> Grain to Woolwich	30	78	Stages 2 & 3: Develop and Prepare	Site visits and meetings with landowners to discuss alignment options.	Finalise and publish our proposals spring 2018 tbc.
<i>Essex</i>					
<b>Essex</b> Tilbury to Southend-on-Sea	31	58	Stage 2 & 3: Develop and Propose	Site visits and meetings with landowners to discuss alignment options.	Publish proposals winter 2018 tbc
<b>Essex</b> Southend-on-Sea to Wallasea Island	32	59	Stage 2 & 3: Develop and Propose	Site visits and meetings with landowners to discuss alignment options.	Publish proposals winter 2018 tbc
<b>Essex</b> Wallasea Island to Burnham-on-Crouch	33	58	Stage 2 & 3: Develop and Propose	Site visits and meetings with landowners to discuss alignment options.	Publish proposals winter 2018 tbc
<b>Essex</b> Burnham on Crouch to Maldon	34	61	Stage 4: Determine	Report published on 19 <sup>th</sup> July 2017. Representations and objections period closed at midnight 13 <sup>th</sup> September 2017 (see <a href="#">website</a> ).	Decision by Secretary of State.
<b>Essex</b> Maldon to Salcott	35	43	Stage 4: Determine	Report published on 30 <sup>th</sup> March 2017. Representations and objections period closed at 5.30pm on 25 <sup>th</sup> May 2017 (see <a href="#">website</a> ).	Decision by Secretary of State.
<b>Essex</b> Mersea Island	36	21	Stage 4: Determine	Report published on 28 <sup>th</sup> June 2017. Representations and objections period closed at midnight 23 <sup>rd</sup> August 2017 (see <a href="#">website</a> ).	Decision by Secretary of State. Final decision on stretch linked to proposals on Salcott to Jaywick stretch.
<b>Essex</b> Salcott to Jaywick	37	81	Stages 2 & 3: Develop and Propose	Site visits and meetings with landowners to discuss alignment options.	Finalise & publish proposals spring 2018 tbc
<b>Essex</b> Jaywick to Harwich	38	51	Stage 4: Determine	Report published on 16 <sup>th</sup> August 2017. Representations and objections period closed at midnight 11 <sup>th</sup> October 2017 ( <a href="#">Jaywick and Harwich</a> )	Decision by Secretary of State.

<b>Essex &amp; Suffolk</b> Harwich to Shotley Gate	39	39	Stages 2 & 3: Develop and Propose	Site visits and meetings with landowners to discuss alignment options.	Finalise and publish our proposals spring 2018 tbc.
<i>East</i>					
<b>Suffolk</b> Shotley Gate to Felixstowe Ferry	40	42	Stage 1: Prepare	Initial meetings and site visits with stakeholders to discuss alignment options.	Walk the Course visits.
<b>Suffolk</b> Felixstowe Ferry to Bawdsey	41	41	Stage 1: Prepare	Initial meetings and site visits with stakeholders to discuss alignment options.	Walk the Course visits.
<b>Suffolk</b> Bawdsey to Aldeburgh	42	74	Stage 1: Prepare	Initial meetings and site visits with stakeholders to discuss alignment options.	Walk the Course visits.
<b>Suffolk / Norfolk</b> Aldeburgh to Hopton-on-Sea	43	60	Stages 2 & 3: Develop and Propose	Site visits and meetings with landowners to discuss alignment options.	Finalise and publish proposals spring 2018 tbc.
<b>Norfolk</b> Hopton on Sea to Sea Palling	44	34	Open to the Public		
<b>Norfolk</b> Sea Palling to Weybourne	45	41	Open to the Public		
<b>Norfolk</b> Weybourne to Hunstanton	46	60	Stages 2 & 3: Develop and Propose	Drafting proposals.	Finalise and publish proposals early 2018.
<b>Norfolk</b> Hunstanton to Sutton Bridge	47	53	Stages 2 & 3: Develop and Propose	Site visits and meetings with landowners to discuss alignment options.	Finalise and publish our proposals 2018 tbc.
<b>Lincolnshire</b> Sutton Bridge to Skegness	48	92	Stages 2 & 3: Develop and Propose	Drafting proposals.	Finalise and publish proposals early 2018.
<i>North East</i>					
<b>Lincolnshire</b> Skegness to Mablethorpe	49	26	Stage 5: Open	Establishment works being discussed with owners / occupiers.	Commence rights 2018.
<b>Lincolnshire</b> Mablethorpe to Humber Bridge	50	81	Stages 2 & 3: Develop & Propose.	Site visits & meetings with landowners to discuss alignment options.	Finalise and publish proposals spring 2018 tbc.
<b>East Riding of Yorkshire</b> Humber Bridge to Easington	51	63	Stages 2 & 3: Develop & Propose.	Site visits & meetings with landowners to discuss alignment options.	Finalise and publish proposals spring 2018 tbc.
<b>North Yorkshire, East Riding</b> Easington to Filey Brigg	52	95	Stages 2 & 3: Develop and Propose	Drafting proposals.	Finalise and publish proposals early 2018.
<b>North Yorkshire, Teesside</b> Filey Brigg to Newport Bridge	53	111	Open to the Public.		
<b>Stockton, Hartlepool</b> Newport Bridge to North Gare	54	16	Stage 5: Open	Establishment works being discussed with owners / occupiers.	Commence new rights autumn 2018 tbc.

<b>Durham, Hartlepool, Sunderland</b> North Gare to South Bents	55	55		Open to the Public.	
<b>South Tyneside, North Tyneside &amp; Northumberland</b> South Bents to Amble	56	71	Stage 5: Open	Establishment works being discussed with owners / occupiers.	Commence rights 2018 tbc.
<b>Northumberland</b> Amble to Bamburgh	57	47	Stages 2 & 3: Develop & Propose.	Site visits & meetings with landowners to discuss alignment options.	Finalise and publish proposals early 2018.
<b>Northumberland</b> Bamburgh to the Scottish Border (including Holy Island)	58	57	Stages 2 & 3: Develop & Propose.	Site visits & meetings with landowners to discuss alignment options.	Finalise and publish proposals early 2018.
<i>North West</i>					
<b>Cumbria</b> Gretna to Allonby	59	98	Stage 4: Determine	Hearings for nine objections in December 2017. Report published 25 July 2016.	Decision by Secretary of State.
<b>Cumbria</b> Allonby to Whitehaven	60	35		Open to the Public.	
<b>Cumbria</b> Whitehaven to Silecroft	61	51	Stage 5: Open	Establishment works underway.	Commence rights 2018.
<b>Cumbria / Lancashire</b> Silecroft to Silverdale	62	142	Stages 2 & 3: Develop and Propose	Drafting proposals.	Finalise and publish proposals early 2018.
<b>Cumbria</b> Walney Island	63	33	Stage 5: Open	Establishment works.	Commence rights summer 2018 tbc.
<b>Lancashire</b> Silverdale to Cleveleys	64	82	Stages 2 & 3: Develop and Propose	Drafting proposals.	Finalise and publish proposals early 2018.
<b>Lancashire / Merseyside</b> Cleveleys to Pier Head, Liverpool	65	124	Stages 2 & 3: Develop and Propose	Site visits & meetings with landowners to discuss alignment options.	Finalise and publish proposals.
<b>Wirral / Cheshire</b> Birkenhead to the Welsh border	66	41	Stages 2 & 3: Develop and Propose	Site visits & meetings with landowners to discuss alignment options.	Finalise and publish proposals.

(\*Stages reflect the refined delivery process as set out in the revised Coastal Access Scheme.

\*\* Stretch lengths may be subject to change. )

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**Summary of England Coast Path stretch progress<sup>^</sup>:**

9 stretches and associated rights now open

6 stretches approved but not yet open – establishment works planned or in progress

12 stretch proposals published but not yet determined

39 stretch proposals in development.

<sup>^</sup> as of date of issue