

## HABITAT CREATION PROJECT AT COBNOR POINT

### FINAL STAGE TO START NOW!

Cobnor Estate, in partnership with Associated British Ports (Port of Southampton) and Land & Water (specialists in marine engineering projects), will be undertaking the final stage of the **habitat creation scheme at Cobnor Point** over the next 2 months.

The works will transform rough pasture under the seabank into intertidal mudflat and saltmarsh, providing valuable habitat principally for over-wintering birds but also for many other animal and plant species. Two breaches will be made in the seabank and bridges will be put in place for the footpath/disabled path in late August.

Starting **on Monday July 8<sup>th</sup>** there will be a number of lorry movements each day (not weekends) through Chidham. The lorries will mostly be bringing rock to protect the bases of the new bridges. We will try our best to avoid the busy times of the day and are aiming to have completed the majority of movements by the end of July.

For the duration of the works the main section of the seabank wheelchair path will be closed, with a temporary path being created further inland, rejoining the coastal path at the West end of Cobnor Point. However, there will still be access on to the first section of the wheelchair path, as a viewing point on to the harbour and to the works taking place inside the bank.

If you would like to learn more about the project, come to Cobnor Estate car park (on the left, just before you get to Cobnor House), at **5.30pm on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> July** where we can tell you more about the scheme.

The briefing will finish at 6.15pm

Please email [cobnorestate@btconnect.com](mailto:cobnorestate@btconnect.com) or phone 01243 572123 to let us know if you wish to come.

In the meantime, if you have any enquiries regarding the project details, please contact Tom Girdler of Land & Water on 07967 461182.