

Works Completed during the last week.

Week 114: Monday 28 January to Friday 01 February 2008

- Despite the high winds and heavy seas that hit the site once again, a great deal of work was carried out throughout the week. With the April 19 opening date now set, the main contractor, Birse Coastal, is striving to complete the works well ahead of time.
- To the north of the site works around the café are drawing to an end with the last of the concrete promenade slabs having been placed. Work on the construction of the interactive water feature is well advanced with all of the underground sumps and pipework now installed.
- Outside the new tourist information centre the first of the site information panels has been installed.



The interactive water feature



The final concrete slab has been poured in front of the café building

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- The new access ramp to the café building has been completed providing an access from the new north car park to the café, toilets and tourist information centre.
 - North of the café building, work has continued on the tie-in works that will join the new promenade works to the existing. The old promenade has been broken out and preparation work begun for a new exposed aggregate concrete decking to match the remainder of the site.
 - Construction of the new stormgate at the top of the beach access slide is well advanced, providing a significant improvement over the former timber stopboards.



The café building access ramp is now completed



Demolition of the old promenade north of the site

- Works at the southern end of the works have concentrated on the completion of the large plaza area at the head of Victoria Road West and the completion of the new tie-in wall to the existing defences.
- The final access point from South Promenade was completed this week providing full pedestrian access to the new promenade and the beach.
- With the completion of the new tie-in wall between the new defences and the old it is possible to see how the increased height of the new defences has been achieved through clever design and without restricting the panoramic views over Cleveleys beach.



Completing the pedestrian access to the promenade from South Promenade



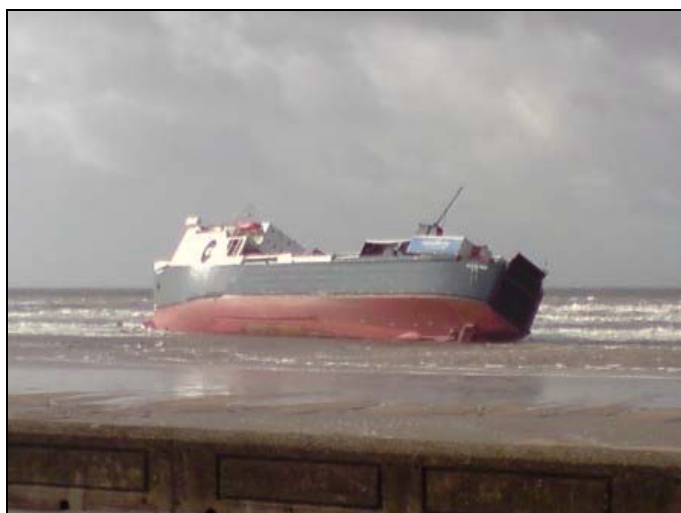
The tie-in wall between the new and old seawall

- Work on the construction of the new beach access slade opposite Beach Road has continued with the first of the concrete decking slabs being placed. Work on the construction of the slade was curtailed later in the week by the high winds and heavy seas that hit the site.
- Officers from Wyre Borough Council and Birse Coastal were on site on Friday morning to assess how the grounding of the 6,000-ton Sea Trucks vessel 'Riverdance' may affect the new defences. The situation is being closely monitored.

Coastguards are advising members of the public who plan to visit the site to view it from a safe distance on the promenade and not to venture down onto the beach.



Construction of the slade extension



The stricken Riverdance on Cleveleys beach

Further information about the scheme can be viewed at
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