

Thorpeness Urgent Works Phase 2

12 March 2026

What are we updating you about?

Following a decision taken by Cabinet on 3 March 26, East Suffolk Council is funding and leading on “Phase 2” of urgent works that will see approximately 50 further metres of rock bags installed, extending the line to the north. Jackson Civil Engineering have been appointed as contractor to complete a short-term, temporary rock bag scheme from Tinkers End to the northern end of Stella Maris.

Where is this work happening?

Materials and machinery will be delivered to the beach along the track behind Thorpeness Emporium off Church Road and held in a fenced compound on the beach (Figure 1). The materials will be temporarily held before being transported to a compound on the beach (Figure 2).

While deliveries are taking place fencing will be in place for safety purposes, with at least two banksmen on site at all times to help direct traffic and pedestrians. The car park will be unaffected, and the boardwalk will remain open to the public.

When is the work taking place?

Deliveries for “Phase 2” are due to begin on Thursday 12 March. There will be four lorries making two deliveries a day for six working days.

What will be happening?

The rock bags will be taken from the temporary site compound adjacent to the boardwalk and transported to site where they will be installed from Tinkers End to the northern end of Stella Maris.

Why are we doing this work?

This phase of the urgent works is an East Suffolk Council scheme, being installed as a temporary, short term, solution consisting of rock bags. These works are being undertaken as urgent works under the Coastal Protection Act. This arrangement reflects standard practices for local authorities under the Coastal Protection Act nationwide.

East Suffolk Council will take legal ownership of and manage both “phase 1” and “phase 2” of the rock bags. This also allows us to implement a monitoring programme to ensure there are no wider impacts and will include trigger points for removal if any significant affects are observed.

Contact Us

Regular updates about these urgent works and further information about the coastal erosion at Thorpeness can be found here:

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Location Map

Figure 1

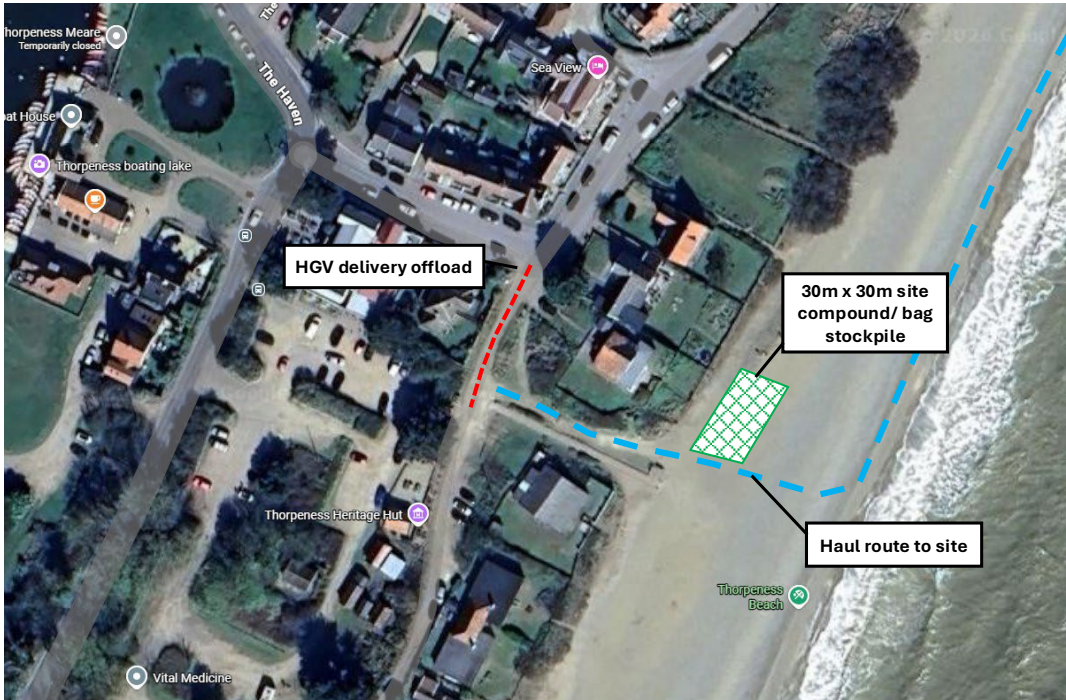


Figure 2

