

East Haven Together Beach Management Plan



East Haven is a former fishing community on the Angus coast. It is situated 1.5 miles (2 km) east of Carnoustie and 5 miles (8 km) south west of Arbroath. The rocky coastline and beach at East Haven is popular with families, dog walkers and people undertaking a range of leisure pursuits. National Cycle Network 1 runs through the village and up the coast towards Arbroath creating one of the most beautiful stretches of the coastal path. It is a shared path. East Haven Together undertake a range of interventions to protect the marine environment and provide a pleasant amenity for people of all ages, abilities and backgrounds to enjoy during their visit.

This beach management plan details the interventions undertaken by members of East Haven Together and Angus Council the Local Authority, to achieve the best possible status within the East Haven rural beach environment. A risk management plan has also been undertaken by East Haven Together in partnership with the RNLI.

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Outcome to be achieved	Actions	Who
Integrity of dunes are well maintained and not eroded by vehicular traffic	Enhanced signage installed in 2021 prohibiting motorised vehicles from the beach and coastal path. This will be closely monitored by the community.	East Haven Together Angus Council
Integrity of dunes are well maintained and not eroded by pedestrians	Significant pedestrian erosion occurred in 2018. As a result, areas of the dunes are periodically fenced off to allow restoration work to be carried out. Conservation signs are in place but access to the beach is not affected. EHT is trying to obtain funding for board walks to nudge people to use different routes down the beach.	EHT
The beach is free from Ghost Fishing Gear	All-Terrain-Vehicle purchased to uplift heavy rope and creels. Residents litter pick daily	East Haven Together

Dog litter is eliminated	Residents hand out dog bags and promote responsible dog ownership. Residents also pick up dog litter. Angus Council provide numerous bins within the amenity (Any Bin will Do). Strategies such as dog share stations and play box are provided to increase respect	East Haven Together Angus Council
Visitors are able to access clean public toilets	Residents clean and manage the public toilets from March to October/Nov to provide a high standard of toilet facilities for visitors. Enhanced cleaning regimes in place to protect against Covid 19	East Haven Together
The general amenity is litter free and beach litter is reduced	East Haven has its own Litter Prevention Action Plan. The community carry out regular litter picks and beach cleans during the year. Survey material is provided to the Marine Conservation Society. Residents undertake some litter picking everyday to maintain the amenity. Angus Council provide numerous litter bins within the beach area and these are emptied several times a week. East Haven also has two 'recycle on the go' bins.	East Haven Together Angus Council
Water quality is acceptable and the public are informed of any unforeseen events that might pose a risk in a timely way.	The water quality at East Haven is untested. However, the Wastewater Treatment Plant at Hatton has greatly improved the local water quality and prevents sewage from discharging into the sea. EHT and Angus Council are able to use their own Facebook page to inform the community very quickly of any unforeseen events which they become aware of. EHT would contact SEPA immediately if there were any concerns about pollution of the water.	East Haven Together
Life Saving Equipment	A public access defibrillator and first aid kit is located in the phone box in the village square. Residents operate a Village Emergency Telephone scheme (VETS) for public emergencies. Several residents have become emergency service volunteers and can drive the ATV up and down the coast if incidents occur. A Lifebuoy has been purchased in 2021 and installed at the Heritage point in full view of the bay.	East Haven Together

<p>The public have access to local information and emergency contact numbers if required.</p>	<p>Emergency contact numbers such as coastguard and police are displayed in the public notice board in the village square and behind the public toilets. Maps and Heritage interpretation boards are available to view at the corner of the coastal path on arrival to the village and at the heritage point.</p> <p>A rights and responsibilities summary of this beach management plan is displayed in the public toilets and in the public notice board. Visitors books are available in the public toilets and visitors can also contact members of East Haven Together via the web-site www.easthavenangus.com by e-mail easthaventogether@gmail.com and Facebook page 'Our East Haven'.</p>	<p>East Haven Together</p>
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