Notes on a meeting between Bosham Association and CDC

Present: Gavin Holder CDC; Peter Price & Peter Newman BA; Tony Black Bosham Parish Water Bailiff

1. Tony Black the newly appointed Parish Water Bailiff was introduced
2. Sea Flooding March 10th 2008 update
    a. The BA stressed that whilst the replacement wall was important as the next surge would claim another metre and bring the sea very close to the footpath, ***the important repair was to deal with Cossicks as shown on the picture.*** This really should not be a big task and needs to be done ASAP. Can CDC please help us get some action. The owner of Cossicks is happy to cooperate. CDC
    b. The BA now has quotes of £130k for a nice brick wall; £30k for replacement of Gabions; New Gabions plus concrete sill, so seaweed can be removed, £130K!; and £50k for one quote which would use the old flint gabions and make these into a concrete wall. BA feel that in view of these quotes a further quote was necessary. CDC had kindly given the name of a contractor which they use and that would be followed up:- BA
    c. Wildfowlers/Bund near Southwood Farm. The report shows clearly that if there is not a stitch in time there will be a big bill for someone. Gavin found the area on his site and knows where the bund is. It protects the farm and other local properties AND the emergency exit. Recently the flap hinge came adrift AS PREDICTED and was luckily found on Shore Road. Southwood Farm rescued and put in a temporary SS rod for self protection!! This item had also been mentioned in the Water Bailiff monthly report.
    d. The BA feels strongly that the time has come to nail the responsibility for the upkeep of the bund and the sluice which should have a proper metal flap. The BA requested help from the CDC to make this happen. CDC
3. Green Lane ditch clearance. All quiet but CDC were asked to contact the BA if it happened again as clearance was important.
4. The Parish Flood plan will shortly make provision for storage of some sand and sandbags as these were clearly required on March 10th 2008. The BA asked for details of the filler unit as they would recommend that the Parish purchased one of these. CDC
5. CSO output. All were disgusted at what was happening:-
    a. Gavin asked PJP to send a copy of his recent note on occurrences which would be passed to the CDC Environment Health Officer. PJP
    b. The BA reiterated that in their view these outflows were unnecessary as there was a separate pipe to Harts Farm which could be used, particularly when there was not an excess of flood water.
    c. The BA indicated that they were raising awareness within the village to ensure that in future all incidents were reported to the EA as well as Southern Water. An article had been posted in the Parish Magazine.

Wonderful opportunity to wish David a speedy recovery!

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