



# The **Seafront** newsletter 2021

We elcome to this year's Seafront Newsletter. 2020 was a very different year for everyone, and 2021 will feel a little different too. However, the seafront has been very important for exercise and fresh air and we hope that we can all look forward to enjoying the seafront safely this year.

If you have any questions please contact us at seafront.services@portsmouthcc.gov.uk or 023 9282 8112

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## LCT 7074

The newest attraction on the seafront, LCT 7074, opened to the public in late 2020 next to the D-Day Story. She is one of very few surviving landing craft.



#### **Grounds Maintenance**

Our Parks and Open Spaces team keep the seafront and the common clean, tidy and safe throughout the year in all weathers, including during lockdown. They also care for the seafront's planting and flowerbeds.

## Did you know?

Many of our trees on the seafront and the common are over **150 years** old. Please treat these wonderful living things with care and respect.

### **Community Advisors**

Our Community Advisors have been out and about, giving information and advising people using the seafront safely for socially distanced exercise. DON'T BE A DIN PUT IT IN THE RIGHT BIN

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We've added 36 new recycling bins on the Seafront and the Common, so you can now recycle metal cans and plastic bottles separately.

### Waterfront Tea Room

The Waterfront Tea Room opposite the D-Day Story is an ideal spot for a great takeaway coffee and home-made treat. Check the **Tea Rooms Facebook page** for opening times and to keep up to date on exciting new improvements, coming soon!

#### Southsea Castle

The walls of Southsea Castle have had a good clean recently, and we've just started work repairing the stonework. Southsea Castle is a scheduled monument and was built in 1544 by Henry VIII.





We're trying out some new lighting on the seafront. The new lights are LED, so are more reliable and much more energy efficient.



## Hotwalls

The Hotwalls Studios team are excited to welcome visitors back to the studios once safe to do so.

In the meantime, we continue to develop plans for art exhibitions in the Round Tower, collaborative public art events, and our popular Creative market.





While the studios remain closed to the public, the artists continue to create new items, while the Hotwalls Studios team are excited to expand on the digital offering, including live-streamed Q&A sessions with the studio artists.



## Coastal project

The Southsea Coastal Scheme looks forward to welcoming visitors to a new community liaison office at its Pier Road site, following the lifting of Covid restrictions.

Follow the scheme on social media, email **southseacoastalscheme@ portsmoutcc.gov.uk** or visit the website at **southseacoastalscheme.org.uk** to stay updated.

## Seafront update

#### Public toilets

We have public toilets at the Hotwalls, Clarence Pier, the D-Day car park, the Pyramids, Canoe Lake, St Georges Road and Eastney Point.

#### Barriers

We have added barriers to stop trespassers accessing the common.

#### Food and drink

The seafront will have a new range of food and drink traders this summer from 29 March until September. Our seasonal traders will be reopening when they can do safely.

#### Seafront businesses

Businesses on the seafront will hopefully be open in line with the national guidelines.

#### Parking

Our Parking Team is currently looking at parking improvements along the seafront. Further information will become available as we move away from lockdown restrictions.

#### Covid-19

Please use the seafront safely and be aware of the current Covid-19 guidelines. The latest information can be found on the Portsmouth City Council website **www.portsmouth.gov.uk** 



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