When will it happen?

- Site set up will commence from the 26th June
- Main construction works, including piling starting on the 3rd July
- The works are being undertaken in the summer period due to the environmental designations present in the area. This legally limits the work to between July and September
- The replacement seawall is due to be completed by the end of September

Who is the contractor?

- The contractor for the works is Raymond Brown Construction Ltd
- They will be working to minimise disruption from the works with the ESCP
- We will have an Information Board at the site compound entrance for updates on the works during construction

Future Plans

See the Portsdown Castle to River Hamble Strategy which covers the Hill Head area for the management of the coastline over the next 100 years.

For further information see ESCP website.
Why are we doing the works?

There have been a number of failures along the western section of the seawall over recent years. In 2015 there was a significant failure of a section of the seawall by ‘the Kink’.

This half-a-million pound scheme will construct a new seawall to replace these failing sections.

The replacement seawall will reduce the risk of flooding, protect beach huts and keep the promenade open all year round.

How will I be affected?

- The car park next to Hill Head Sailing Club will be used as the contractor’s compound and closed to the public for the duration of the works.
- The toilets in the car park will remain accessible to pedestrians.
- The beach huts at the western end will be fenced off as they are within the works area (see map below).
- The western route from Cliff Road to the promenade will be closed.

What will it look like?

- The new promenade will be made from sheet piles and concrete. A reinforced concrete wall will rise above the promenade protecting the promenade and beach huts by stopping waves overtopping during storms.
- As part of the works, the alignment will change to remove the kink currently present and widen the promenade.
- Due to the mobile nature of the beach at Hill Head, the beach levels can drop quickly in storm events. To minimise the risks to the public using the promenade a stainless steel barrier rail will be installed on the upstand.