

Shotley Pier Newsletter

Work progresses at the Pier

Good news in the progress to start work at the Pier. There were a number of activities that needed to be done before awarding a contract to the main contractor, including buying and cutting to size the reclaimed timbers.

We have appointed Amicus Civil Engineering to do the first stage of work, we are delighted with their experience and passion for the pier and the area. Their previous experience with repairs at Harwich Ha'penny Pier is very recent, and you can read more about them by pressing the blue button below.

Our team has applied for and gained statutory licences as required - firstly the Marine Management Licence. Our renovations have to be approved by the Marine Management Organisation (MMO) because the pier stands in the estuary. The MMO is a national, executive non-departmental public body sponsored by the Department for Environment, Food & Rural Affairs. They licence, regulate and plan marine activities in the seas around England and Wales so that they're carried out in a sustainable way.

Suffolk County Council has granted a temporary licence to allow our contractor to store items in some of the parking bays next to the pier during the works for a limited period.

As long as our contractors do not become ill, they are able to commence works from the 30th March 2020. As their work is outdoors, the risk of catching or communicating the coronavirus is low and government guidance is that outdoor construction work can continue.

Of course, the works are tide and weather dependent. As Amicus is a professional marine civil engineering company who are very familiar with the Harwich Haven Authority area, we are pleased to know that they can be relied upon to assess when tides and weather are best for the works.

We have issued our notice letter, reproduced below, to our neighbours and statutory bodies.



Shotley Pier Renovations 2019/2020

I wish to inform you that the contract for the above works has been let to Amicus Civil Engineering Ltd of West Malling, Kent. The firm has worked extensively for Harwich Haven Authority and is familiar with both the Pier and the Estuary.

This is the result of The Society being successful in obtaining monies from the EU LEADER Fund and the Coastal Regeneration Fund. The present contract is to renovate the first 30 metres of pier with preparation for continuing on to 50 metres from the root of the pier. Available funds will dictate how far the renovation can be completed.

The renovation comprises renewing timbers that have been worm eaten and replacing the pre cast concrete deck with non slip timber planking. All large materials such as the pile timbers, longitudinal beams, etc will be held off site and called forward on a just in time basis.

The works are estimated to take seven weeks to complete and it is anticipated that works will commence on 30th March 2020.

[View Amicus Civil Engineering project at Ha'penny Pier](#)

Pier events are cancelled until further notice

All our events are cancelled until further notice due to COVID-19 coronavirus.

Pierside Snacks by the pier, Art coffee mornings at the Red Lion, and our annual Art Exhibition at Shotley Church are all cancelled till further notice.

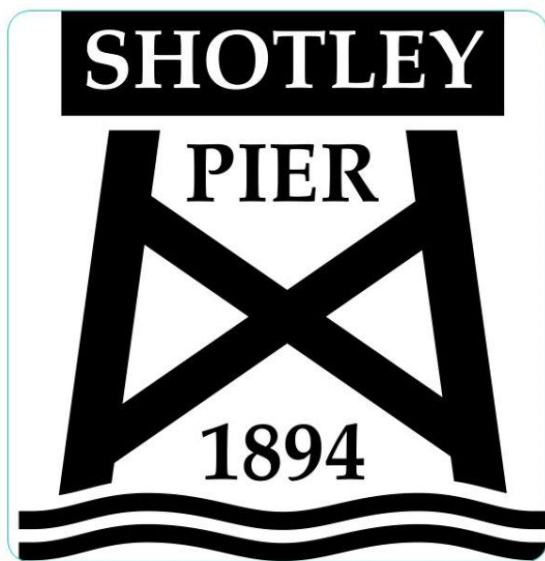
These are unprecedented times, and we need to protect our wonderful volunteers and members. We will miss seeing you for our enjoyable fund raisers, but safety comes first.

Take care everyone and remember that strolling outside is possible, just be sure to keep a good distance away from others.

If you need to self-isolate, you can still be in touch by viewing and commenting on our Facebook page. If you are not already a Facebook user, press the blue button below to see our Facebook page.

We were running all these events to raise funds for the pier, and we need to start fund raising for the railings for the first section of renovations. If you have any suggestions or would like to donate, please get in touch at shotleypier@gmail.com

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Pierside Snacks

will NOT open
until further notice
due to the corona virus

we are being cautious in
order to protect volunteers
and our customers

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about when we are
planning to be there again

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