



STB Newsletter

March 2020

Storm Updates: 🌪️ 🌪️

Inevitably, Support The Boardwalk, like everyone around the country, has felt the impact ...

Newly designed, ready to install **information boards & signs** are waiting to be put in situ, once the weather improves and there's enough volunteers available.

Contractor Down To Earth Landscaping is monitoring the weather to find the best time to lay **tarmac to improve access to the Bird Watching Platform.**

The **Wader Scrapes Project** implementation by the Pembrokeshire Coast National Parks & their volunteer friends had a successful first day digging shallows amongst the reeds to encourage wading birds. Further sessions were pushed back, but were able to go ahead once Storm Dennis had subsided.



The Slash Pond Boardwalk is an alternative attraction to our wonderful Seaside Award beach (the national standard for the best



beaches across the UK). At more than 350 metres, the boardwalk is a sheltered, non-slip, paw friendly decked walkway surrounding a serene pond in a habitat that supports a wildflower meadow, a picnic area, willow dens, bug houses and bat & bird nesting boxes.

Parking at Trafalgar Terrace car park (along the seafront, turn left at the Galleon Inn, ¼ mile on the left. Parking is free with a donation box at the entrance to help local community groups). Walk out of the car park, turn left, the walk entrance is 30 metres on the left. Sat Nav directions use SA62 3JU. Bring along a small net and enjoy the 'Dipping Deck' or test yourself with our Nature Trail Quiz. The area offers a circular route of approximately ½ mile which is accessible to motobility scooters, wheelchairs and pushchairs.

Watch this space and keep an eye on our Facebook page for updates!

Or email boardwalkgang@gmail.com to check in with us on any of above if you're not on Facebook

Keen to look to the future?

Those of us involved with the group enjoy practical days out, giving the habitat TLC and socialising with each other. We are mindful that we need to let you know how you can donate to the group to fund the preservation of the boardwalk in good repair for the long-term (we'd all hate to see it slip into disrepair as it had some 5 years (plus) ago when the group formed!)

A lot of us are now familiar with making donations online, say through Facebook or JustGiving and in fact there are two online ways that make it very easy to make donations to the Support The Boardwalk cause ... If you'd like to help ensure the boardwalk and its habitat's future - here's how:

1. Donate while you shop/order online (it doesn't cost you ANYTHING - the people you're buying from actually make the donation!!!)

Sign-up to Easyfundraising and by then doing your everyday shopping/ordering online, you will help us raise FREE funds for Support The Boardwalk. Take a look at this short video by typing this link into your browser (Google or whichever you use) and you will be able to watch a 1 minute video which explains how easy it is and how it really DOESN'T COST YOU ANYTHING!

<http://efraising.org/cv1Wj5Bman>

You can sign-up by typing into Google (or another browser) ... <https://www.easyfundraising.org.uk>

On the webpage that comes up ... you can search in the box for our cause - Support the Boardwalk. The site will look for matches and you will recognise ours by our logo:



You can select that and then click to 'support this cause' - follow the instructions from there ...

2. Donate on our Localgiving Page (It's very like JustGiving, but enables donations to local, community based charities)

Type into Google or whatever browser you use ... <https://localgiving.org/charity/support-the-boardwalk/>

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| How to make a one-time donation | How to make a monthly donation |
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| 2 Choose the amount you want to donate, enter your details and click donate | 2 Log in or create an account before proceeding |
| 3 Proceed to enter your payment details or pay via Paypal | 3 Choose which day you want the money to be donated and enter your account details |
| 4 Add Gift Aid and a comment to your donation | 4 Add Gift Aid if you are eligible so the charity receives 25% extra |
| 5 Share on Facebook or Twitter so others are encouraged to donate too! | 5 Share on Facebook or Twitter so others are encouraged to donate too! |
| <small>Need help? Call the Localgiving support team on 0300 111 2340 who are happy to take you through the process</small> | <small>Need help? Call the Localgiving support team on 0300 111 2340 who are happy to take you through the process</small> |

Thank You 

Please keep an eye on our Facebook page for news of meetings, TLC days and updates to any of the dates/times listed in this newsletter.

Facebook - facebook.com/supporttheboardwalk

If you're not on Facebook and have a query please email us boardwalkgang@gmail.com

We are a lovely community group - have a think about coming along, you'll be most welcome.

'Support the Boardwalk' – Fundraising to Preserve and to Enhance

Website - <http://www.supporttheboardwalk.co.uk>