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From: Ray Radmall [REDACTED]
Sent: 13 August 2016 11:13
To: Daniel Vick
Subject: Re: HOW CAN PAGHAM POSSIBLY COPE !!

Dear Dan,

Please find herewith a couple of e-mails received by myself as chair of PPC, which I feel could be relevant to your report.

Chris Dodd is the local professional fisherman, who lives on East Front Road, and has extensive practical knowledge and experience of local tidal flows. Also Brian James, who lives in Harbour Road, has many years of experience of paddleboarding and tutor.

Kind regards,

Ray

On Sat, Aug 13, 2016 at 11:07 AM, Ray Radmall [REDACTED] wrote:

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From: zoe dodd [REDACTED]
Date: Mon, Aug 8, 2016 at 7:52 PM
Subject: HOW CAN PAGHAM POSSIBLY COPE !!

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Dear Sir,

We are still facing huge problems on Pagham Beach this winter, even if the planning permission is granted and the work goes ahead this autumn.

The scour current of the last three years has caused huge alterations to the sea bed up to at least three quarters of a mile offshore. This current has caused a blockage to the heavier shingle coming eastwards from Selsey and prevented it from recharging Pagham Beach, it has been kept offshore by the current and built new banks of shingle which are up to three foot deep in places burying much breeding ground for fish and lobsters in the process.

The shingle from Selsey which is bypassing Pagham can be seen building up more and more on Bognor Beach. This shingle movement has made the sea inshore of the inner Mulberry at Pagham much shallower, therefore during the winter gales that we are bound to get will create more of a storm beach as at Wittering. This bigger sea will attack Pagham Beach more severely. Stub groynes would help prevent the movement eastwards of what little fine shingle we have and also at very little cost as we already have the rocks needed to do the job.

We need to rebuild the beach twice as far out as it is now before the gales arrive not after !!

As I have said before, the possibility of Pagham flooding is very strong this winter. This would mean the loss of the sewage system which will cause severe pollution as well as the electricity system failing. How can we possibly contemplate new larger housing estates when we are struggling to protect the properties we already have.

If it is of any help I would be more than willing to monitor the loss of shingle from outside of my bungalow, as last night we lost ten foot of shingle from my boat ramp due to a small surge caused by a switching wind direction on a short tide with no gales !!

Yours sincerely,

Chris Dodd [local commercial fisherman]