

# Hunstanton Heritage Gardens update



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The £1.3m project to refurbish and repair the areas of the Greens, Esplanade Gardens and structures along the cliff top now edges close to completion.

This project is supported by the National Lottery through the Heritage Lottery Fund and Big Lottery Fund and will be complete over the next few weeks.

Whilst the project has suffered from significant delays owing to a number of factors ranging from supply issues, vandalism and a notable increase in the works required in some areas, the finished areas are receiving a positive response by visitors and locals alike.

The remaining works currently underway are to complete the final restoration of the Cliff Top Shelters.



*Butterfly Shelters:* Looking great and now open to the public, pending the final fitting of the glazing panels over the coming weeks



*Cliff Top Shelter:* The middle Cliff Top shelter receiving its final finishing and snagging before being opened to the public once again.

The last Cliff Top Shelter to be completed will be the North Shelter which has moved to its new location and is receiving a full rebuild and restoration; many panels are being worked on off site with much more work than originally proposed.

All areas within the Garden are now open to the public and works within this area are now in the main complete, contractors will return after the summer season to carry out snagging works and pick up on any defects.

Completed elements since last update:

- Lookout
- Time and Tide Garden
- St Edmunds Chapel works
- Garden Pathways
- Fountain Pond
- South Cliff Top Shelter
- Butterfly Shelters (pending glazing)

Works to sign off for the final stage of the project:

- Middle Cliff Top Shelter
- North Cliff Top Shelter

Installation of the interpretation package for the gardens will follow post completion of the works. This is an integral element of the overall scheme to provide visitors and residents an opportunity to learn about the different periods and events of Hunstanton's history. We have been working with members and representatives of the Civic Society to compile and sort the extensive historical information for the interpretation. This is still in the design stage and will then require a period of thorough checking and approval to ensure accuracy.