

Repairs complete on sandbag seawall

Repairs to a split sandbag in the sandbag seawall at Portsea beach have been completed.

The split was detected in the sandbag as part of regular monitoring of the seawall, which was extensively repaired in July 2020.

Replacing the impacted sandbag, and realigning the bags above it, relied on favourable weather conditions. In February 2021 the contractor was able to complete the work.

The Department of Environment, Land, Water and Planning (DELWP) will continue to monitor the sandbag seawall, including after significant storms. The compromised bag will be sent to the manufacturer to see if the cause of the split can be determined.



Introducing native grasses

In September 2020, DELWP planted 1,000 native grasses in and around the sandbag wall. The Knobby Club Rush is thriving and there are plans to continue planting in the coming months when the weather and conditions are favourable.

The plant species were selected based on advice from a local nursery and the Mornington Peninsula Shire Council, and are native to the area.

The grasses will help stabilise the sand dune/bank behind the sandbags and improve the appearance of the area.

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