

Laurestone Place, Dover – DS/18/10852

Date:	Inspection Type:	Officer:	Notes:
22.11.2018	Miscellaneous Activity	[REDACTED]	Set up of application and request of land registry titles.
25.10.2022	General Inspection	[REDACTED]	Met [REDACTED] to view current condition. Area of previous collapse mostly grown over and has helped to stabilise bank. The two raking shores erected to both end wall sections appear to be in a good condition. Timbers and bolted connections in sound condition. Diary to re inspect in 6 months time. Photos added to DMS.
25.04.2023	General Inspection	[REDACTED]	No change from last visit in that timber shores and bolted connections appear still to be in a sound condition. Satisfied that the shores still functioning as intended. Further inspection to be carried out later in the year.
28.09.2023	General Inspection	[REDACTED]	Shores still appear to be in a sound condition. No adverse comments to report. Re visit early in the new year.
15.01.2024	General Inspection	[REDACTED]	The area is becoming overgrown, but the two raking shores appear to be in good condition. The fencing could do with some adjustment but ok at the moment. Vegetation needs to be cut back to allow the next visit to be carried out later in the year (July 24). While inspecting a local resident made contact and appeared to be aware of the issues regarding ownership etc. They pointed out a largish crack further down the road which I photographed. I didn't consider this dangerous but will monitor this as well as the shores. Next visit diarised for 6 months' time. The same resident and another also pointed out the large number of leaning trees which inhabit most of the bank above the wall running the whole of Laureston Place. They confirmed that they had made KCC Highways aware, and they had carried out some limited work some time ago. I believe that they had also contacted parking as they pay for a permit to park along this road.

23.05.2024	Telephone Call	[REDACTED]	<p>Teams call with [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] (Parks) to discuss the clearing of vegetation away from the timber shores to give access for next visit. [REDACTED] agreed to instruct contractors to carry out prior to next visit due in July 24.</p>
29.05.2024	General Inspection	[REDACTED]	<p>Structural Inspection of Double Raking Shores</p> <p>Findings:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Vegetation Clearing: The double raking shores have been cleared of vegetation, allowing for a thorough inspection. 2. Condition of Shores: Both the top and bottom rakers, along with the wall plate timbers, are currently in a sound condition with no signs of rot. 3. Potential Risks: Components extending to ground level may be at risk of future timber rot; monitoring is advised. 4. Structural Integrity: Brace ends are securely bolted to struts anchored into the ground, and the timber is undegraded. 5. Maintenance Recommendations: Regular inspections at six-month intervals are recommended to maintain structural integrity. 6. Bolt Assessment: All bolts are tight, require no adjustment, and are rust-free. 7. Wall Cracks: Cracks located 5 meters down from the lower shore show no further movement since the last inspection, as confirmed by photographic evidence. <p>Conclusion:</p> <p>The structural integrity of the double raking shores is currently maintained, with no immediate concerns detected. Ongoing monitoring is advised to detect and mitigate any potential issues, particularly concerning possible timber rot at ground level. The bolts and braces are in excellent condition, contributing to the overall stability of the structure. The lack of movement in the wall cracks suggests that the situation is stable; however, continued observation is necessary to ensure that no new developments occur.</p>

			<p>Recommendations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Implement a biannual inspection schedule to monitor the condition of the shores, particularly focusing on the potential for timber rot. - Maintain a photographic record of the wall cracks to detect any changes over time.
29.11.2024	General Inspection	[REDACTED]	<p>Interim inspection - vegetation has increased obscuring the bases of the shores. Generally the shores are in fair condition with no obvious deterioration of the structural integrity of the shore. Bolts appear tight and rust free. No change to wall crack located near lower shore.</p>
12.03.2025	Site Inspection	[REDACTED]	<p>Interim inspection requested by [REDACTED] to check on vegetation - vegetation has decreased slightly from previous visit (winter die back) but some obscuring of the bases of the shores but able to see enough to be confident that the shores are in fair condition with no obvious deterioration of the structural integrity of the shore. Bolts appear tight and rust free.</p>
30.05.2025	Monitoring	[REDACTED]	<p>The area is becoming overgrown again and will require cutting back. The two raking shores appear to be in good condition still and require no maintenance. The brick wall still appears stable with no obvious movement apparent. The fencing could do with some adjustment but ok at the moment. Vegetation needs to be cut back to allow the next visit to be carried out later in the year.</p>
23.10.2025	Monitoring	[REDACTED]	<p>Vegetation has been cut back by Land Services to enable a better inspection of shores. Both shores still appear to be structurally sound with bolts not rusting and not loose. No sign of rot to timber shores. Evidence of some soil erosion unsupported bank.</p>