

# WELCOME TO EAST COWES

East Cowes is at the head of the estuary providing the holiday and yachting resort of Cowes with a welcoming and popular sand and shingle beach. As well as visitors from the mainland it is also a favourite location for local residents of East Cowes. A variety of traditional seafront facilities are available, with a promenade, woodland walks and a well equipped children's play area and paddling pool. Toilet and shower facilities are available mid-way along the award beach. Public transport is minimal but there is ample parking for those using their own vehicle.

East Cowes seafront is only minutes from the town's shops, cafes, pubs and restaurants.

East Cowes is one of the Island's award winning beaches.

Like anywhere, East Cowes has its natural hazards so be sure to read the safety guidelines and have a good time. Information is provided at each area so check this out to ensure your own safety.

For further information on this resort please phone 01983 821000. Someone is always available from Monday to Friday to help you with your enquiries.

Should you need to report a problem such as broken glass or damage to premises, the Isle of Wight Council provides an emergency service for these type of problems. The number to call out of hours is 01983 821105.

## Access Statement for East Cowes, Isle of Wight

**N.B. This access statement does not contain personal opinions as to our suitability for those with access needs, but aims to accurately describe the facilities and services that we offer all our guests/visitors.**

### Pre-Arrival

The location of the beach can be found on the Council's web site by visiting [www.iwight.com/just\\_visiting](http://www.iwight.com/just_visiting) . The nearest bus station is located in Well Street which is approximately a ten minute walk from the beach. Planning your journey using

public transport can be made easy by using [www.iwight.com/just\\_visiting](http://www.iwight.com/just_visiting) and having the appropriate post codes ready.

## **Car Parking and Arrival**

Parking is limited at East Cowes with no parking on the Esplanade and a small unmarked tarmaced area for free parking.

## **Areas Adjacent to the Beach**

A public footpath runs alongside the beach, which adjoins the public highway. Speed restrictions of 20mph are in place with speed bumps to enforce this.

## **Beach Access Points**

Access is made via concrete slipways or steps which are located at regular intervals along the Esplanade.

## **On the Beach**

The beach is made up of shingle and is subject to seaweed influx at all times of the year which may make access difficult at times.

## **Public Toilets**

Toilet facilities are available towards the far end of the award beach. The floor area consists of 13 square metres and is utilised with four cubicles together with one urinal and one disabled unit.

Cleansing facilities are available by way of six wall gate units.

## **Food & Drink Outlets**

East Cowes is a very quiet location and mainly popular to locals or passengers waiting to return to the mainland on the Red Funnel car ferry.

Mid-way along the Esplanade is a food and drink outlet that provides hot and cold snacks together with ice creams and beach goods.

## Additional information

Dogs are not permitted between 1 May and 30 September on the beach between the beach from slipway opposite the public conveniences on East Cowes Esplanade, up to the first set of steps past the public conveniences out to the mean low water mark. Please [click here](#) for full information on the Isle of Wight's dog control orders, including maps to show locations of dog prohibition areas.

We look forward to welcoming you. If you have any queries or require any assistance please feel free to contact us.

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