

Jetty Refurbishment - Inner Farne



Project:

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Location:

Inner Farne

Client:

The National Trust

Consulting Engineer:

Alan Wood & Partners

Project Managers:

Alan Wood & Partners

Contractor:

Stephen Eastern Building

Project Value:

£53K



Description:

Inner Farne is the closest of the Farne Islands off the Northumbrian Coast, located a two mile boat ride from Seahouses. It is renowned as a summer haven for nesting sea birds including terns and puffins, as well as home to one of the biggest grey seal colonies in the British Isles. The Farne Islands are in the care of the National Trust and attract in excess of 45, 000 visitors throughout the year.

The existing timber jetty access to Inner Farne was narrow and inaccessible at high tide. The National Trust asked Alan Wood &

Partners to manage a refurbishment scheme to raise and widen the jetty with a more durable construction. Working closely with the contractor, we designed a concrete deck which could be constructed over the existing jetty supports. This needed to be carefully coordinated with the periods of low tide.

The project was completed over September and October in 2008, within the budget despite challenging access and weather conditions.