

WENDUINE PEDESTRIAN BRIDGE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

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On Saturday, May 17th the newly completed Wenduine bridge, which spans the Koninklijke Baan (local motorway) and coastal tramline was opened to the public. Jacques D'Have, the Administrator General of the Maritime and Coastal Services Agency cut the ribbon in front of local residents, press and several West 8 representatives.

"HET WRAKHOUT", (The Wrecked Wooden) Bridge offers cyclists, pedestrians and beach goers a spot for safe crossing. The new construct literally provides a bridge between the polders and the dunes. It leads users to a visual climax with panoramic views of the sea, the dunes and the Uitkerkse polders.

The bridge also connects into the adjacent coastal cycle and walking routes, providing stops for cyclists, information boards and bike parking.

In March 2014, segments of the bridge framework were mounted on the concrete braces. Today, the bridge which is made of more than 100 cubic meters of FSC labeled tropical hardwood and nearly 30 tons of steel beams, is complete.

The new bridge structure reconciles numerous elements: security, mobility, nature, sea walls, the landscape experience and also provides opportunities for gentle recreation and culture. The Agency for Maritime and Coastal Services considers the bridge a great example of an integrated and sustainable coastal development project.

The bridge is which lies halfway between Blankenberge and De Haan- Wenduine is built in a natural area of high landscape value. The quirky architecture will be in continuous contact with the ocean breeze, swirling sand and the salty air of the beach and sea and is touted to become a striking beacon in the landscape.

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