

High tide and winds wash away ballast at Haddiscoe

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Rail passengers were led to safety after a very high tide and winds caused ballast, to be washed away at Haddiscoe on the Norwich to Lowestoft line.

Network Rail says engineers have been on site since Sunday assessing the situation, with the line expected to be closed for several days.

A Network Rail spokesperson said: "A very high tide and winds have caused ballast, the stones that support the tracks, to be washed away at Haddiscoe on the Norwich to Lowestoft line.

"Thankfully no one has been injured, all passengers on the train that reported the incident have been taken away safely and the train has not derailed. Engineers have been on site since Sunday morning and are assessing the situation.

"We expect the line to be closed for at least the next few days but will know more once the train has been removed, which is our first priority.

“Services are being diverted onto the East Suffolk Line. Passengers wishing to travel should contact National Rail Services or Greater Anglia to get detailed service information.

“We will provide a further update tomorrow once we know more.”

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