

Saltfleet to Gibraltar Point Strategy Newsletter

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The journey so far

Earlier this year we asked you for your views on how flood risk on the Lincolnshire coastline could be managed. Within the coastal flood risk strategy area, there are over 20,000 homes, approx. 24,500 static caravans, 35,000 hectares of farmland and a bustling tourist industry.

Following our extensive and productive consultation with the public and key stakeholders, we are now working to develop a preferred strategy and delivery plan for flood risk management on the Lincolnshire coast over the next 100 years. We are working closely with our partners in local and central government to finalise the draft strategy document, which we plan to take forward to a public consultation in 2019.

We know that you may have expected the consultation to start sooner, as we had initially planned to speak to you about the draft strategy later this year. The summary below indicates a preference for change by introducing rock structures on this coastline, an option which brings with it significant costs. We previously provided you with high-level economic projections, and we now need more time to assess the spending implications for the preferred options based on rock structures to ensure they are affordable.

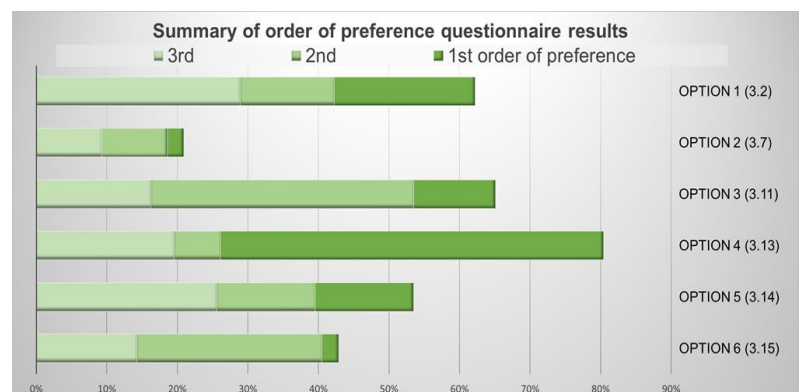
While we are working to finalise the draft strategy, we are continuing to plan next year's beach nourishment campaign. As in previous years, we will be replenishing beaches in 2019, to protect the sea defences and to manage the risk of flooding to communities across the Lincolnshire coast.

Summary of findings in public consultation 2018

During the consultation in early 2018, we asked you to score the six options in order of preference (1 to 6).

The chart shows the total order of preferences from 96% of stakeholder attendees. The top three were options 4, 3 and 1 – which is the same outcome as the feedback received from the questionnaire.

- Option 1: beach nourishment without control structures (present management option)
- Option 2: beach without control structures but with different beach material
- Option 3: beach with rock armour groynes and beach nourishment
- Option 4: beach with rock armour combinations (groynes/fishtails) and beach nourishment
- Option 5: Beach with rock armour structures at lower or higher standard of protection by changing nourishment volumes
- Option 6: Beach armour structures at lower or higher standard of protection by changing nourishment frequency



For a more detailed breakdown of the results of the questionnaire and order of preference please visit <https://consult.environment-agency.gov.uk/flood-and-coastal-risk-management/sgp/>. You can also contact our new engagement officer Fé Toussaint on the detail below. Fé has joined the project as Michelle Scott, our previous engagement officer, has moved to a different role within the Environment Agency.

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