

Saltfleet to Gibraltar Point Strategy Newsletter

October 2017

The Journey so far

Since November last year we asked you for your views on how the coastline could be managed. Within the coastal flood risk strategy area, there are over 20,000 homes, approx. 24,500¹ static caravans, 35,000 hectares of farmland and a bustling tourist industry. A public consultation will be held early next year to shape the way the coast between Saltfleet and Gibraltar Point could be managed over the next 100 years.

Workshop Approach

Your feedback has been used to help us reduce the large number of options to a shortlist. The shortlist of 6 options presented in summer 2017 were:

Option	Description
1	Beach without control structures – Annual nourishment increasing volumes to maintain same standard of protection – Present Management Option (Strategy Option 3.2)
2	Beach without control structures – Beach nourishment with different beach material grading (Strategy Option 3.7)
3	Beach with control structures – Rock armour groynes and beach nourishment (Strategy Option 3.11)
4	Beach with control structures – Rock armour combinations (groynes/fishtails) and beach nourishment (Strategy Option 3.13)
5	Beach with control structures – Rock armour structures at lower or higher standards of protection by changing beach nourishment volumes (Strategy Option 3.14)
6	Beach with control structures – Rock armour structures at lower or higher standards of protection by changing beach nourishment frequency (Strategy Option 3.15)

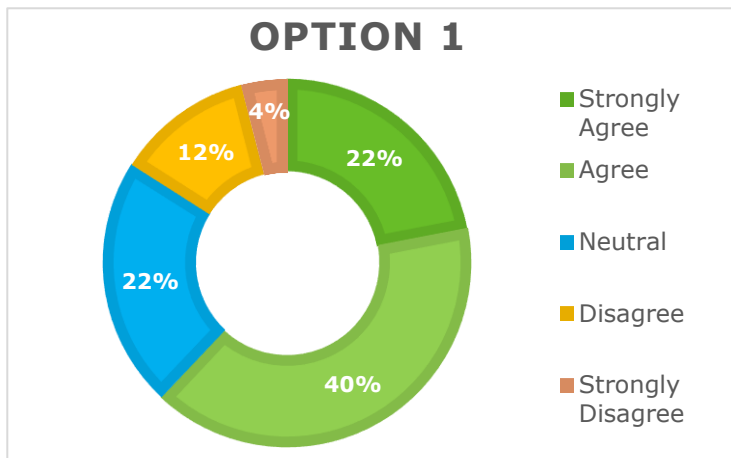
We asked you to evaluate each of the options in terms of:

- Being sustainable and technically feasible
- Managing the risk to health of people and local communities
- Maintaining and enhancing the quality and character of the landscape
- Avoiding damage to and enhancing, where possible, recreation and tourism

We have used your answers to help us shape the options for the formal consultation – your responses are summarised in the following charts


Workshop Questionnaire Feedback Summary

1. Beach without control structures – Annual nourishment increasing volumes to maintain same standard of protection – Present Management Option

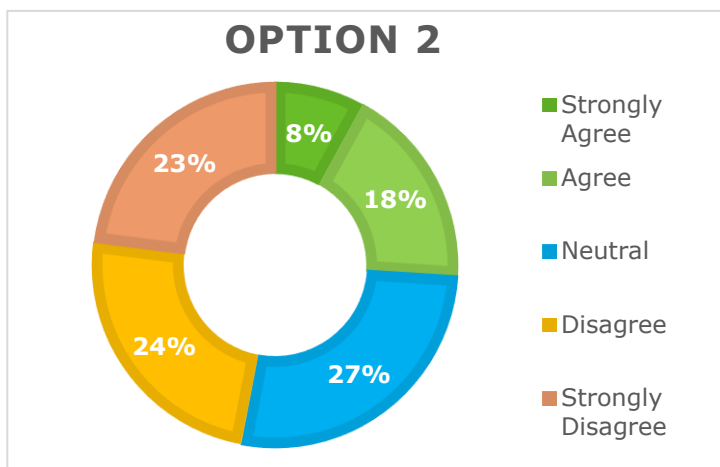


Comments

- People in favour thought this option was least likely to affect tourism and create less uncertainty
- Preserves the beach
- Not seen as a long term solution



2. Beach without control structures – Beach nourishment with different beach material grading

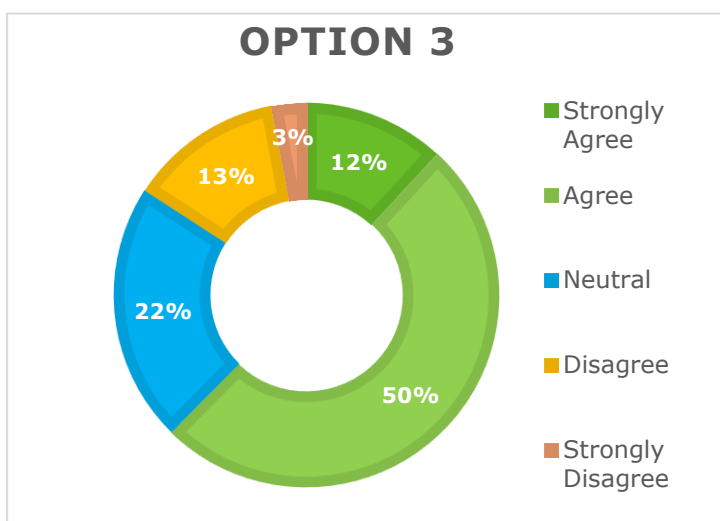


Comments

- Concerns over potential impacts to the marine environment as a result of changes to sediment
- Concerns over impact on tourism




3. Beach with control structures – Rock armour groynes and beach nourishment



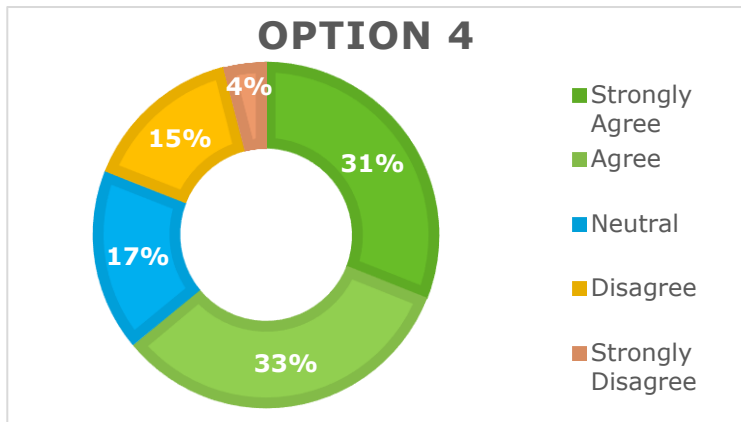
Comments

- Concerns over funding
- Concerns over effect on beach activities
- Some concern over safety to humans and animals (On structures)
- Period of adjustment for landscape changes – not necessarily negative




Workshop Questionnaire Feedback Summary

4. Beach with control structures – Rock armour structure combinations (groynes/fishtails) and beach nourishment

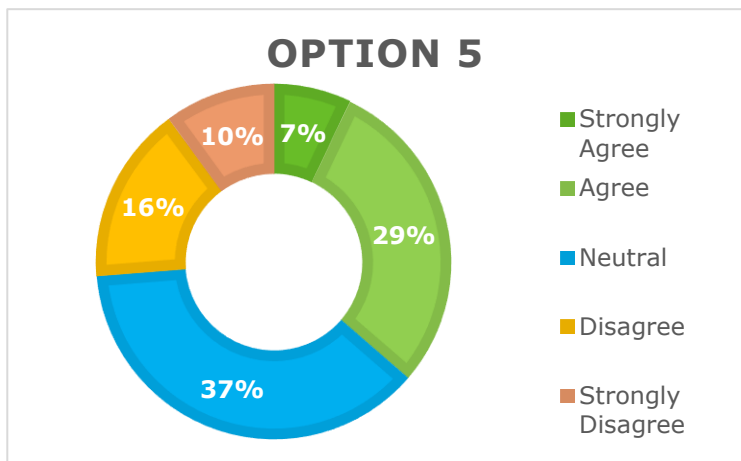


Comments

- Concerns over funding
- Seems like the most economically feasible option
- Potential to enhance beachfront – potential to make structures features of landscape and be innovative with design
- Maintains beach areas and best option for creating bays
- High levels of environmental protection



5. Beach with control structures – Rock armour structures at lower or higher standards of protection by changing beach nourishment volumes

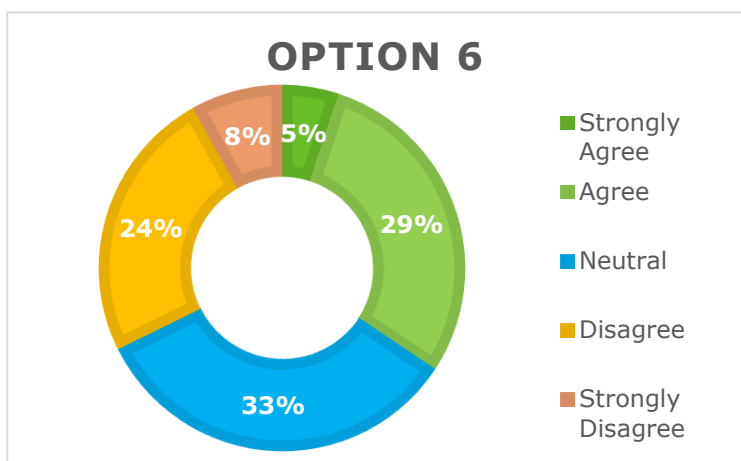


Comments

- Negative impacts on tourism
- Wouldn't want lower standard of protection
- Concerns surrounding no guarantee of beaches some years





6. Beach with control structures – Rock armour structures at lower or higher standards of protection by changing beach nourishment frequency



Comments

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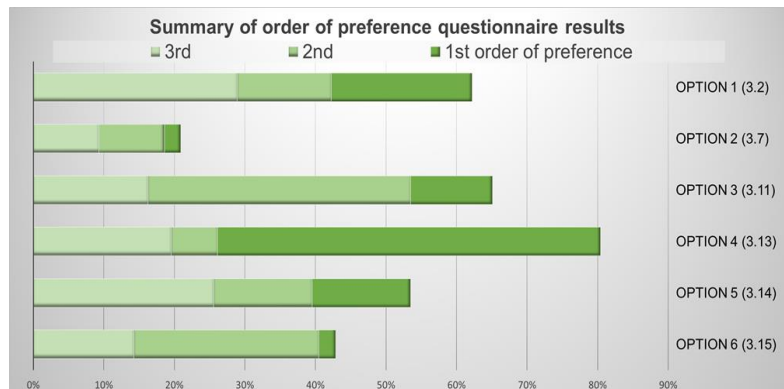
Summary of Workshops

Order of Preference

In addition to the evaluation you provided on the options, we asked you to score them 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 4, Rock armour structure combinations (groynes/fishtails) and beach nourishment,
- Option 3, Beach with control structures – Rock armour groynes and beach nourishment, and
- Option 1, Annual nourishment increasing volumes to maintain same standard of protection – Present Management Option.



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/>

What's next?

We had a great response from the workshops.

Thank you for sharing your thoughts and vision for the future of our coastline.

We will be using this information to help prepare for the formal consultation with a series of drop-in events. These will be taking place along the Lincolnshire coast early next year. This will provide an opportunity for you and the public to formally submit your views in shaping the future coastline.

Details of these events will be available soon on our website:

<https://consult.environment-agency.gov.uk/flood-and-coastal-risk-management/sgp/>

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