Consultation Statement

Draft Coastal Adaptation Supplementary Planning Document

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Introduction

This draft Coastal Adaptation Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) provides guidance on the coastal adaptation planning policies of the following Local Plans:

- East Suffolk Council
 - Suffolk Coastal Local Plan (2020)
 - Waveney Local Plan (2019)
- Great Yarmouth Borough Council
 - o Local Plan Part 1 (2015)
 - o Local Plan Part 2 (2021)
- North Norfolk District Council
 - Core Strategy (2008)
- Broads Authority
 - o The Broads Local Plan (2019)

Once adopted the Coastal Adaptation SPD will replace the following documents:

- 'Coastal Erosion and Development Control Guidance' (2009) covering North Norfolk District Council, and
- 'Development and Coastal Change SPD' (2013) covering the former Waveney area which now forms part of East Suffolk Council.

The Partnership of local planning authorities and the shared Coastal Partnership East team (the Partnership) has followed the approach to engagement as established in the Statement's of Community Involvement adopted by each authority. At the start of preparation of the SPD the 2014 East Suffolk Council Statements of Community Involvement were in place (covering the former Waveney and Suffolk Coastal districts). East Suffolk Council has since adopted a new Statement of Community Involvement in April 2021 which applies to the consultation on the draft SPD. While preparing the Coastal Adaptation SPD the Partnership has consulted with relevant organisations and members of the public. Details of this consultation process are set out below.

An initial stage of consultation was held for 6 weeks between 4 September and 16 October 2020. The draft consultation on the draft SPD will be held for 6 weeks between 9 January and 20 February 2023.

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This Consultation Statement has been produced under Regulation 12 of the Town and Country Planning (Local Planning) (England) Regulations 2012 (as amended) to accompany the consultation on the draft SPD which is to be held between 9 January and 20 February 2023. After which the Consultation Statement will be amended to take account of responses submitted to the formal consultation prior to adoption.

Who was consulted?

The initial consultation sought to provide interested parties with the opportunity to comment on the proposed broad content of the SPD, as set out in the initial consultation document¹.

All of those registered on the Partnership's respective council planning policy mailing lists were consulted. The initial consultation was also made available on the Partnership's respective council websites, and publicised via social media and a press release in order to achieve as wide a response as possible and give members of the public the opportunity to comment on the proposed broad content of the SPD regardless of whether they had signed up to a council mailing list.

How were they consulted?

The initial consultation documents, over the 6 week initial consultation between 4 September and 16 October 2020, were made available on the East Suffolk Council website (with links to the Est Suffolk Council website from other Partnership websites). The initial consultation document can be viewed here: https://eastsuffolk.inconsult.uk/consult.ti/coastaladaptationspd2020/consultationHome.

The consultation was also advertised via the Partnership's respective social media accounts (see Appendix 1). The initial consultation document, available at the above link, provided background information to the consultation and asked a series of questions. Hard copies of the document were also made available free of charge by post by contacting the Planning Policy and Delivery team as the usual locations for viewing documents were closed to the public, due to the Covid-19 pandemic.

The consultation sought responses to the following questions:

- 1. Do you consider the scope and proposed content of the Supplementary Planning Document to be appropriate?
- 2. Are there any elements of National or Local Planning Policy which should be particularly emphasised/explained in the SPD?

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- 3. What guidance for development in the Coastal Change Management Area should be identified in the SPD?
- 4. Are the categories identified in section 3 appropriate and comprehensive or should others be identified?
- 5. What guidance on temporary development within the CCMA should be included?
- 6. What elements should be included within a Coastal Erosion Vulnerability assessment?
- 7. What guidance on Roll-back and relocation options should be included?
- 8. What guidance on enabling development should be included?
- 9. What case studies should be used in this SPD to demonstrate coastal adaptation best practice?
- 10. Do you have any other comments which could help the partnership prepare the SPD?

In total 63 individuals and organisations responded to the consultation. Between them they made 288 comments, as presented in the table in Appendix 3. The consultation responses can also be viewed on the East Suffolk Council website at: INSERT INOVEM LINK

What were the main issues raised during the initial consultation?

A summary of the main issues raised through the initial consultation is as follows.

- 1. Do you consider the scope and proposed content of the Supplementary Planning Document to be appropriate?
 - The SPD should change the planning policies concerning the coast as set out in Local Plans.
 - The SPD should change the approach to management of the coast as set out in the Shoreline Management Plans (SMP).
 - The SPD should address flood risk as well as coastal erosion risk.
 - The SPD should recognise the importance of the natural and historic environment along the coast and the benefits these environments provide communities and businesses.
 - The SPD should provide guidance relating to public have access at the coast and countryside.
- 2. Are there any elements of National or Local Planning Policy which should be particularly emphasised/explained in the SPD?
 - The SPD should explain the difference between terrestrial and marine planning.
 - The SPD should explain the difference between local plan and SMP policy.
 - The SPD should explain the difference between local plan and national policy.
 - The SPD should refer to the Government's national policy statements on various topic areas.
 - The initial consultation document was hard to understand for those that do not already understand coastal planning jargon.

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- The SPD should provide guidance helping to explain how coastal planning policies will apply to different types of development.
- The SPD should recognise the importance of natural and historic environment and that enabling development, and rollback and relocation development must consider the natural and historic environment, and avoid impacts on such environments.
- Guidance should be provided on the implementation of flood risk policies.
- 3. What guidance for development in the Coastal Change Management Area should be identified in the SPD?
 - The SPD should protect buildings and other assets on the coast from being lost to the sea.
- 4. Are the categories identified in section 3 appropriate and comprehensive or should others be identified?
 - The SPD should provide guidance relating to the various risk zones added to the CCMA.
- 5. What guidance on temporary development within the CCMA should be included?
 - Some suggested temporary development shouldn't be allowed, and others suggested temporary development should form part of a sustainable approach to development on the coast.
 - Some confusion about what would constitute temporary development.
- 6. What elements should be included within a Coastal Erosion Vulnerability assessment?
 - There was some confusion as to the role of Coastal Erosion Vulnerability Assessments.
- 7. What guidance on Roll-back and relocation options should be included?
 - The SPD should provide information concerning funding sources and compensation for rollback and relocation development.
 - The SPD should provide guidance on the nuances of planning applications for rollback and relocation to ensure policy compliant planning applications are submitted.
- 8. What guidance on enabling development should be included?
 - A number of local, national and international coastal adaptation best practice case studies were suggested to be explored.
- 9. What case studies should be used in this SPD to demonstrate coastal adaptation best practice?
 - A number of case studies were suggested ranging from locally specific coastal adaptation schemes (such Wood Hill, East Runton rollback and relocation of holiday park lodges), to local schemes for wildlife conservation and habitat creation, large scale energy projects, to coastal adaptation approaches of other nations.
- 10. Do you have any other comments which could help the partnership prepare the SPD?
 - The open ended nature of this question resulted a large number of comments covering a large variety of topics and issues, most of which cannot be addressed by the SPD.

Appendix 1: Initial consultation social media posts



Appendix 2: Consultation bodies

The following organisations and groups were consulted at the start of the initial consultation.

Specific consultation bodies

- Environment Agency
- Historic England
- Marine Management Organisation
- Natural England
- Network Rail
- National Highways (at the time Highways England)
- Norfolk County Council
- Suffolk County Council
- Parish and town councils within East Suffolk, Great Yarmouth, North Norfolk, and The Broads (within the aforementioned local authorities) and neighbouring parishes
- Neighbouring Local Planning Authorities
- Elected members
- Anglian Water
- Water Management Alliance
- Essex and Suffolk Water
- Homes England
- NHS England
- Ipswich and East Suffolk Clinical Commissioning Group
- North Norfolk Clinical Commissioning Group
- Great Yarmouth and Waveney Clinical Commissioning Group

General consultation bodies

- Voluntary bodies some or all of whose activities benefit any part of the SPD area
- Bodies which represent the interests of different racial, ethnic or national groups in the SPD area
- Bodies which represent the interests of different religious groups in the SPD area
- Bodies which represent the interests of disabled persons in the SPD area
- Bodies which represent the interests of persons carrying on business in the SPD area

Other individuals and organisations

Includes local businesses, high schools, individuals, local organisations and groups, planning agents, developers, landowners, residents and others on the combined mailing list.

Appendix 3: Initial consultation responses

The table below lists the consultation responses to the initial consultation (4 September – 16 October 2020), alongside the Partnership response and changes made to the SPD.

1. Do you consider the scope and proposed content of the Supplementary Planning Document to be appropriate?

Respondent	Comment	Partnership Response	Changes Made
Stu Precious	It says virtually nothing using multiple pages.	The initial consultation gave respondents the opportunity to influence the broad content of the SPD. After taking account of consultation responses the Partnership Authorities will prepare and then consult on the draft SPD, which will contain the full detail.	No change.
Lindsay Frost	Integrated Coastal Zone Management needs to include physical geography processes, such as sediment cells, onshore land use and activities and offshore uses and activities.	Guidance relating to planning policy implications for land uses and activities affecting the coast will be included within the SPD. This SPD, however, cannot directly address offshore uses and processes as these lie outside the terrestrial planning realm. The document also cannot duplicate or replace the remit and contents of Shoreline Management Plans, but will have appropriate regard to them.	No change.
Richard Starling	One should not have to register or log in to participate in a consultation. This will deter many people from participating.	Comment noted. There was also the opportunity to email and or post responses to the Partnership.	No change.
Martlesham Sea Wall Group (Thomas O'Brien)	See below	Comment noted. Regard has been had to the comments made under other questions.	No change.
Norman Castleton	Pleased to see that the Broads Authority has be included in this although quite frankly I can see little reason for another document concerning the subject of managing the coast. The problem seems to me to be plenty of paperwork but little practical effort. Plenty of retreat with	The SPD cannot alter the approach to the management of the coast, as this is the role of Shoreline Management Plans (SMPs). The aim of the SPD is to provide guidance to assist in the	No change.

Respondent	Comment	Partnership Response	Changes Made
	very little of it managed. I would suggest a more clear	application of Local Plan policies regarding coastal	
	interaction with SMP. For example will there be a closer	adaptation.	
	examination of the need to defend parts of the coast		
	where the SMP says nothing should be done. Will the		
	resources be available to manage the coastline properly or		
	is the intention just to let everything go?		
Norfolk County	We support the Coastal Adaptation Supplementary	Support welcomed. The SPD will seek to provide	The SPD emphasises the impacts
Council - Natural	Planning Document and have the following comments for	guidance on the implementation of coastal	of coastal processes and
Environment	consideration. The SPD seems to focus on the human	planning policies. The SPD will set out the affects	planning policies on the natural
Team (Catherine	impacts. It should also include the 'natural environment' –	that coastal processes and policies can have on	environment, and provides
Dew)	the habitats and species which form the coastal (and	coastal ecology (and vice versa), and identify ways	guidance on ways in which such
	marine) environment as the management measures and	in which such impacts can be lessened and ways in	impacts can be lessened through
	policies will impact on them and the ecosystem services	which coastal adaptation can best serve the needs	coastal adaptation.
	and recreational use, they provide. They are inextricably	of the natural environment.	
	linked.		
Blue Sky Leisure	BSL consider the scope and broad of the document to be	The SPD will within its context chapter, set out the	The SPD sets out the benefits of
(Paul Timewell)	broadly appropriate. The document should identify the	affects that coastal processes and policies can	roll back schemes against the
	range of business operating along the coast and	have on local businesses, and it is recognised, as	impacts.
	acknowledge their significant importance to the North	stated, that there are a wide variety of different	
	Norfolk and wider Norfolk economy, particularly tourism.	businesses operating on or close to the coast.	
	It should explain that all businesses are different, both in		
	type and size, and the SPD should not treat all business as	The SPD cannot introduce ways of interpreting	
	the same, with certain business such as tourism having	policy, that is the role of the development plan.	
	very different needs in terms of how planning policy	The SPD will, however, provide guidance on how	Appropriate pre-application
	should be applied.	policy should be applied and some flexibility may	engagement should be
		be appropriate in certain cases	undertaken, but the Local Plans
	The SPD provides the opportunity to introduce some		already mention this
	flexibility into the application of Planning Policy dependent		
	on the nature of activity affected. For instance, in terms of		
	the application of the roll back policy, the site		
	requirements for a caravan and camping site are vastly		
	different to a manufacturing business. The SPD should	The SPD will present case studies of coastal	
	explain the material considerations that could be	adaptation best practice. It is not considered	

Respondent	Comment	Partnership Response	Changes Made
	considered as being appropriate to justify a variation in	necessary to include details of emergency cases:	
	planning policies dealing with coastal adaptation. It could	these will always be dealt with in a case-by-case	
	for example, explain the 'trade offs' that may be	basis	
	acceptable when considering the benefits of roll back		
	schemes against the impacts. The SPD could usefully		
	provide advice on the expectations for public engagement		
	where roll back schemes are proposed.		
	The SPD could usefully include case studies of schemes		
	that are considered exemplars of a successful		
	implementation of coastal adaptation planning policies.		
	The SPD should set out the likely planning response in		
	cases of emergency, for instance where		
	unpredicted/accelerated coastal erosion means businesses		
	have to make rapid reactive decisions as to how best to		
	deal with such circumstances.		
Norfolk County	The LLFA have reviewed the Draft SPD Initial consultation	Support welcomed.	No change.
Council - Lead	document scope and consider the scope and content are		
Local Flood	appropriate.		
Authority (Sarah			
Luff)	We was a Shall and the Samuel Line Line Beautiful	National Blancian Booding Collaboration (Florida)	Ni aliana
Felixstowe Town	We agree with the content topic proposed, but believe the	National Planning Practice Guidance for 'Flood risk	No change.
Council (Ash	wider public would be well served by a section overtly	assessments: climate change allowances' provides	
Tadjrishi)	specific to Sea Level Rise, and what an appropriate level may be relevant to be taken into account over a 100 year	guidance relating to sea level rise, amongst other things. As national guidance can be updated	
	time scale. We note the figure currently used by the	quickly, it is considered more appropriate for sea	
	Environment Agency as general guidance is of the order of	level rise to be addressed by national guidance and	
	0.7m over 100 years.	the Environment Agency rather than this SPD.	
J E Blanchflower	Broadly speaking yes, but the SPD will need to be flexible	Coastal change is inherently linked to climate	No change.
3 L Dialicilliowel	enough to respond to climate change initiatives, many of	change, and the SPD will seek to provide case	ivo change.
	which have not been devised or enacted. Perhaps the	study examples of coastal adaptation best	
	scope should be widened to encompass this.	practice.	
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Andrew McDonald	I am not sure if this is not a statement of the obvious, but	The SPD will within its context chapter, set out the	The SPD sets out the impacts of
	perhaps the definition of context in para 1 could be	affects that coastal processes and policies can	coastal processes and planning
	expanded from 'Homes, businesses and communities' to	have on the natural environment.	policies on the natural
	include the environment and biodiversity of the CCMA?		environment.
	Action taken by way or rollback and especially by	It is recognised that coastal change is inherently	
	relocation will inherently offer a threat to areas hosting	linked to and affected by climate change, and the	
	the relocation, and this should be explicit from the outset.	SPD will seek to provide case study examples of	
	I suggest also that the significance of climate change is not	coastal adaptation best practice.	
	sufficiently reflected in the decision to make coastal		
	change 'inclusive' of climate change, and no doubt the		
	detailed document will address this.		
Burnham Overy	This has been sent to Burnham Overy Parish Council for	The SPD covers the coastal areas of North Norfolk	No change.
Parish Council	recommendations however it only covers half the	District Council, Great Yarmouth Borough Council,	
(Sarah Raven)	coastline. Why is this only suitable for this part of the	The Broads Authority, and East Suffolk Council (the	
	coast from Holkham to Felixstowe?	area that the Coastal Partnership East team	
		covers) – but not King's Lynn and West Norfolk,	
		which has its own arrangements. Adjoining parish	
		councils to the SPD area have also been consulted,	
		however, as is standard practice.	
Peter Terrington	More emphasis needed on development in areas of	The SPD will provide guidance in relation to	No change.
	accretion.	development within and affecting the CCMA,	
		including areas of accretion, erosion and where	
Datas Tassinatas		the shoreline is reasonably stable.	N/A
Peter Terrington Southwold Town	Connection 2 objected assessment of the mitigation	N/A	•
	Scope: section 2 should summarize current mitigation	The SPD will include a summary of the powers	No change.
Council (Lesley	policies, especially in context of those areas where policy is hold-the-line as at Southwold.	bestowed on coastal authorities and our partners	
Beevor)	is noid-the-line as at Southwold.	(such as the Environment Agency) as well as policies to manage the coast, including mitigation	
		policies.	
Anglian Water	Consideration should also be given to existing	The SPD will provide guidance relating to the	No change.
Services Ltd	infrastructure located within the area covered by the SPD	implementation of coastal planning policies, which	ino change.
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(Stewart ratience)	as ronows water and water recycling infrastructure		
(Stewart Patience)	as follows: • water and water recycling infrastructure	will be relevant to existing and planned infrastructure at the coast.	

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	provided by Anglian Water and • existing infrastructure		
	including ports within the area and energy generation		
Barton Willmore	NFOWF Ltd supports the objectives for producing the SPD,	Support noted. The SPD does not wish to restrict	No change.
(Will Spencer)	as identified in Section 1 of the Consultation Document.	appropriate development at the coast. However,	
	This includes helping coastal communities to prosper and	certain development types will normally be	
	to adapt to coastal change, but to also provide detailed	inappropriate within the CCMA and this will be set	
	guidance on the interpretation of policies with a whole	out within the SPD. The policies for determining	
	coast approach. Our client also welcomes and agrees with	planning applications will be those of the Local	
	the statement that the SPD will not: • Create new or	Plan, and any planning application must be treated	
	amend existing planning policies as this is the role of the	on its own merits, but the SPD will provide useful	
	Development Plan and National Policy, or • Alter the	advice on how the Local Plan policies will be	
	approach to the management of the coast as this is the	applied.	
	role of SMPs.		
	Notwithstanding the above, Section 4 of the Consultation		
	Document states that the SPD will "provide clear guidance		
	as to what development may be appropriate in such areas		
	and in what circumstances". NFOWF Ltd urges the exercise		
	of caution in the way this statement is interpreted into the		
	draft SPD. There is a risk that an overly restrictive policy		
	will conflict with both of the above objectives and could		
	result in certain development being excluded from certain		
	areas without sufficient evidence to demonstrate that that		
	it would be inappropriate. This should not be the role of		
	planning policy, but rather it should be for developers to		
	make applications for development in an area and for		
	these to include assessments of the impacts on coastal		
	processes and to justify why the proposal is suitable in the		
	area (with regard to proposed mitigation and monitoring		
	measures). To do otherwise could threaten the delivery of		
	developments such as the Project as well as the		
I	achievement of national and local policies for increasing		
I	the supply of renewable sources of energy and addressing		

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	the impacts of climate change. Should the SPD identify the		
	types of development suitable in certain areas (as in the		
	Waveney Development and Coastal Change SPD 2013)		
	then it should state that renewable energy infrastructure		
	should be supported where there is a proposed		
	management plan to address potential impacts on coastal		
	processes.		
Bidwells (Kate	Looking at the 5 points of the SPD, we believe it covers	The SPD will provide guidance relating to the	No change.
Hammond)	most areas of Coastal change, however, we would like to	implementation of coastal planning policies, which	
	see more emphasis on traffic management and road	will be relevant to existing and planned	
	infrastructure which is not specifically mentioned with in	infrastructure at the coast, including highways.	
	the summaries. This is vital especially between Sidestrand		
	and Mundesley where coastal erosion is accelerating and		
	will have a huge impact on the existing road infrastructure.		
RSPB (Ian	Nature conservation interests are frequently combined	The SPD will within its context chapter, set out the	The SPD sets out the impacts of
Robinson)	with built development under the general heading of	affects that coastal processes and policies can	coastal processes and planning
	'development'. In order to provide clarity, we suggest	have on the natural environment.	policies on the natural
	where management for interests other than built		environment.
	environment exist, they are categorised and treated	The terminology used within the SPD will	
	separately. This would therefore result in targeted	categorise the built environment and natural	
	discussions about predicted coastal change impacts on e.g.	environment separately so as not to underplay the	
	biodiversity, water and soils as discrete features that could	important role of the natural environment and the	
	be affected separate from residential properties and	ways in which it is affected by changes to the	
	commercial and industrial interests.	coast, whether they be natural or built.	
	The impacts of each topic area may have similarities but		
	there will also be variation. This would also then lend itself		
	to additional assessments that will need to be undertaken		
	to demonstrate that the proposed SPD will not adversely		
	affect the integrity of terrestrial and marine Natura 2000		
	sites, as well as other national important sites. This will		
	also enable reference to specific guidance within the		

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	National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) e.g. paras 118,		
	157.		
	The mitigation hierarchy for developments needs to be		
	clearly set out, emphasising the mitigation and		
	compensation requirements that should be considered.		
	Any mitigation and compensation packages must be based		
	on the ecological requirements for the species and		
	habitats affected and may need to consider options for		
	compensation some distance from the point of impact to		
	ensure the most sustainable options are identified. The		
	SPD must also highlight the opportunities for net gain for		
	biodiversity and the environment to be a consideration in		
	coastal adaptation projects.		
	The role that adaptive coastal management plays in		
	maintaining functional coastal habitats needs to be		
	highlighted and the benefits of these habitats for wildlife		
	conservation, flood prevention and in the context of		
	saltmarsh, carbon sequestration. Providing carbon		
	budgets for each proposed option would enable an		
	assessment of sustainability to be made. Proposals should		
	be developed describing creation of compensatory habitat		
	along the coast in response to losses elsewhere. For		
	example, coastal squeeze in the Deben estuary is resulting		
	in unfavourable SSSI condition due to loss of saltmarsh. In		
	areas where managed realignment/no active intervention		
	is the accepted course in the Shoreline Management Plan,		
	this saltmarsh could potentially be restored in a different		
	location, preventing net loss of habitats and potential for		
	overall net gain.		

2. Are there any elements of National or Local Planning Policy which should be particularly emphasised/explained in the SPD?

Respondent	Comment	Partnership Response	Changes Made
esc (beavan)	building in flood plains	The SPD will focus on coastal planning policies, and although flooding can be a coastal issue, the policies governing flood risk are not solely coastal matters. This SPD will therefore not address policies concerned solely with flood risk, other than where they may affect coastal management and adaptation policies.	No change.
Stu Precious	It's a cop out to just cite existing documents and not summarise the existing policy.	The initial consultation gave respondents the opportunity to influence the proposed content of the SPD. After taking account of consultation responses the Partnership Authorities will draft and consult on the draft SPD.	No change.
Paul Johnson	There is a general feel that the Policy recognises that change is inevitable, and that it is not taken very seriously. The scope appears to be reactive rather than proactive and could be read, as I did, to be investigative, research worthy and able to produce conclusions that have sadly, no teeth. I see little in the document that suggests it will achieve very much - I hope I am wrong and missed something innovative and supportive to those who are closely linked to the coastal strip, both business and leisure.	This SPD will ensure planning guidance is up to date, aid the interpretation and delivery of planning policy, and provide case study examples of coastal adaptation best practice. The SPD cannot create new or amend existing planning policies as this is the role of the Development Plan and national policy.	No change.
Jeffrey Hallett	Long term effects of building Sizewell C and similar future developments. Impact of the many (7) planned offshore energy projects that need infrastructure to come onshore and then have depots, works or power transfer cables etc passing through your countryside with no inter-agency cooperation to mitigate the cumulative effects.	The impacts of specific infrastructure projects will not be discussed, other than where they relate to case studies of coastal adaptation best practice. The SPD will, however, provide guidance relating to implementation of coastal adaptation planning policies.	No change.
Margaret Hallett	The likely long-term effect of the Energy companies planning developments.	The impacts of specific infrastructure projects will not be discussed, other than where they relate to case studies of coastal adaptation best practice. The SPD will, however, provide guidance relating to	No change.

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		implementation of coastal adaptation planning	
		policies.	
North Norfolk	Roll Back or managed retreat must be emphasised	Financial "compensation" is not available in roll-back	No change
District Council	regarding compensation.	or managed realignment scenarios, but the possibility	
(Harry Blathwayt)		of any forms of "compensation" (which might	
		perhaps include the right to a plot of land inland in	
		some cases) will be discussed in the SPD.	
Tessa Aston	The continued protection of Landguard Fort, Landguard	The SPD cannot alter the approach to the	No change.
	Common and Cobbold's Point and the Martello Tower at	management of the coast as this is the role of SMPs.	
	Manor End.		
Lindsay Frost	Laws governing the littoral zone and offshore areas	The SPD will set out, briefly, the powers bestowed	No change.
		upon coastal authorities and our partners that can be	
		used to manage the coast. The SPD is based upon the	
		principles of Integrated Coastal Zone Management	
		and as such the Partnership Authorities will explore	
		the potential inclusion of laws governing the marine	
		planning system within the SPD.	
Richard Starling	Before doing this consultation, you should await the	This SPD and the Broadland Futures Initiative (BFI)	No change.
	outcome of the Broadland Futures Initiative. We have very	operate within the same topic area, that of coastal	
	little information on National yet alone Local Planning	change. However, the SPD is very much focussed on	
	Policy at this stage and the BFI consultation would have,	providing guidance relating to the implementation of	
	hopefully, explained this.	existing planning policies, whereas the BFI is looking	
		to inform the overarching flood risk management	
		strategy for the next 100 years over a much wider	
		area. The SPD and BFI can complement each other,	
		and the SPD need not be restricted by the timings of	
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Martlesham Sea	I would like more emphasis on the value of the coast to	The SPD will set out the importance of the coast to	No change.
Wall Group	local communities and tourists for enjoyment. Rather than	communities, businesses, and the environment.	
(Thomas O'Brien)	the public seen as purely a 'disturbance'. See my comments in 10 below.		
Norman Castleton	I would like to see how this SPD extends or clarifies the	The SPD will provide a glossary of terms but cannot	The SPD will contain a
	criteria and definitions already agreed in the SMPs.	amend definitions set out in the SMPs.	glossary of key terms.

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Norfolk County	The SPD should incorporate the forthcoming Nature	The SPD will, set out the affects that coastal	No change.
Council - Natural	Recovery Networks and consideration should be given to re-	processes and policies can have on the natural	
Environment Team	creating habitats and enabling habitat and species	environment, and also provide guidance relating to	
(Catherine Dew)	migrations.	habitat creation and enhancement in the context of	
		rollback and relocation approach to coastal	
		adaptation.	
Blue Sky Leisure	An important part of the SPD should be to provide more	The SPD will provide guidance relating to the	No change.
(Paul Timewell)	detailed guidance on the necessary nuances of the	implementation of rollback and relocation policies,	
	implementation of Local Plan roll back policies and explain	and include guidance relating to different uses. While	
	how policies will be applied to different type of businesses.	it will be important for the SPD to provide as much	
	As explained above, what might be an appropriate	useful guidance as possible, it will also be important	
	approach to dealing with the relocation of a tourism	to balance this with the need to provide concise	
	business will be different to the approach for	guidance and allow for flexibility in demonstrably	
	manufacturing, particularly in terms of site requirements,	unique circumstances.	
	location, and attractiveness to visitors. The SPD could		
	explain the expectations for options appraisal, in terms of		
	application of the roll back policies and acknowledge that		
	different business will need a differing site requirement.		
	The SPD should provide guidance and advice on		
	timing/phasing expectations for the implementation of		
	coastal adaptation policies, acknowledging that it may only		
	be viable and practical to implement policies over an		
Norfolk County	extended time period. a. The National Policy Statement on Flood Risk and Coastal	The SPD will include the National Policy Statement	No change.
Council - Lead	Change Management should be included within this section	for Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management	No change.
Local Flood	as it is expected to strongly influence the policy direction	when setting out the policy framework relating to	
Authority (Sarah	over the coming years. b. Please confirm whether this	coastal adaptation.	
Luff)	section will make links to appropriate flood risk policy	Coastal adaptation.	
Luiij	whether the coastal erosion lead to a change in flood risk?	The SPD will focus on providing guidance relating to	
	whether the coastal erosion lead to a change in hood lisk!	the implementation of coastal planning policies, and	
		will therefore not provide much guidance relating to	
		flood risk.	
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Felixstowe Town	The governance of Coastal Management, let alone with the	The SPD will include information relating to the	The SPD will contain a
Council (Ash	inclusion of Adaptation, is complex and very hard for lay	legislative and policy framework for coastal	glossary of key terms.
Tadjrishi)	people to understand. We believe a section should be	management, as well as a glossary of terms to help	
	included explaining the core principles – as clearly and	explain some of the planning and coastal	
	briefly as possible. E.g. Coastal Management, and as part of	management jargon often used.	
	that Coastal Adaptation, have emerged as concepts over		
	the past 15 years or so, replacing previous separate		
	approaches for "Flood Protection" in respect of areas liable		
	to tidal flooding and separately "Coast Protection" –		
	protecting higher coastal land from loss by erosion. Land		
	use planning had traditionally been a separate topic. Four		
	strands of law and regulation cover those issues, with		
	Responsible authorities being: • Flood protection: The		
	Environment Agency (EA) • Coast Protection: District &		
	Unitary LAs, as Coast Protection Authorities (CPAs), under		
	the 1949 Coast Protection Act • Planning; District & Unitary		
	LAs, as Local Planning Authorities (LPAs). • Marine ecology		
	and management (the MMO) Within the Planning section,		
	reference should be made to: • The relevant NPPF sections,		
	particularly paragraph 160(b) – "Developments should be		
	safe for their lifetime." (our perception of some recent		
	planning applications has been that too much reliance has		
	been given to the sequential test in isolation, without the		
	over-riding "safe" factor of 160(b) • Shoreline Management		
	Plans and their role as a non-statutory evidence base,		
	including the meaning, with examples, of the 3 policy		
	options. Links to relevant documents: NPPF, SMP, role of		
	Estuary and other flood plans.		
J E Blanchflower	Preservation of fragile and diminishing coastal habitats such	The SPD cannot create or amend planning policy, or	No change.
	as salt marshes by strengthening Local Planning Policy to	provide guidance relating to policy wholly in the	
	prevent damaging development of any kind (public and	marine realm. The guidance contained in the SPD	
	private) or activities (e.g. dredging) in areas which are	will, we hope, ensure that applications are supported	
	vulnerable or nationally designated. Emphasising the		

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	importance of up to date guidance from expert bodies on the long term effects of proposed changes/developments. Planning applications can take a long time between submission, consideration and approval and the coastline may have changed in the interim period, given the acceleration of climate change and extreme weather patterns.	by robust evidence and have been prepared in a manner that can then be more speedily determined.	
Lowestoft Cruising Club (David Bennett)	Not able to comment on the National Planning policies, as not familiar with them. All local East Suffolk Council relevant planning policies should be emphasised and explained.	The SPD will provide guidance relating to the implementation of coastal adaptation policies.	No change.
Andrew McDonald	The recently extended Suffolk Coasts and Heaths AONB, and the very wide range of protected and designated landscape in East Suffolk, are critical to the life of Suffolk communities, and it would be helpful if the recognition of the importance of Heritage Coasts and AONBs in paras 170-173 of the NPPF is reflected in the SPD, as should be the underlying regulation in the Countryside and Rights Of Way Act 2000. It would also be helpful to note the emphasis on long term planning in the Coastal Management section of the recently adopted Local Plan, especially para 9.39.	The SPD will within its context chapter, set out the affects that coastal processes and policies can have on the natural environment. The long term approach to coastal management, as mentioned within paragraph 9.39 of the Suffolk Coastal Local Plan, will be emphasised within the SPD.	No change.
Peter Terrington	NN: EN 7 & 8	It is assumed the comment relates to policies of the North Norfolk Core Strategy. The SPD will provide guidance relating to the implementation of coastal adaptation policies contained in the North Norfolk Core Strategy, as well as other Development Plan documents across the SPD area.	No change.
SCEG - Scratby and California Environment Group (Lodge)	Adaption options.	The SPD will provide guidance relating to the implementation of coastal adaptation policies.	No change.

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Southwold Town	No Comment.	N/A	N/A
Council (Lesley			
Beevor)			
Water	Paragraph 163 from NPPF allowing development in areas	The SPD will focus primarily on guidance relating to	No change.
Management	that meet the required criteria with regards to flood risk –	the implementation of coastal adaptation policies.	
Alliance (Jessica	push for sustainable development (even though coastal	However, guidance relating to other policy	
Nobbs)	focused). Strong links also need to be made to the tidal	frameworks may be included where appropriate.	
	estuarine systems critical to catchment scale long term		
	spatial planning. Water Framework Directive, Habitats		
	Directive duties to the environment.		
Deben Estuary	The SDP, as set out, omits any reference to a significant	The SPD cannot alter the approach to the	No change.
Partnership	element of the Suffolk coastline – the estuaries of the	management of the coast as this is the role of SMPs,	
(Christine Block)	Deben, Alde and Ore and Blythe. Factors influencing change	and neither can the SPD create new or amend	
	within an estuary cannot be separated or isolated from	existing planning policies as this is the role of the	
	coastal systems. In acknowledging, as the draft SPD states,	Development Plan and National Policy. However, the	
	that coastal change can be (but is not limited to) erosion,	SPD will provide guidance relating to the	
	land slip, permanent inundation, or accretion it follows that	implementation of coastal adaptation planning	
	it is necessary to accept that estuaries (where rates of	policies.	
	change, taking account of climate change, may be		
	significant over the next 100 years), are likely to be affected		
	by most, if not all, of the physical changes listed. With		
	particular reference to the Deben Estuary – here both the		
	estuary mouth, influenced by the variable configuration of		
	coastal shingle banks, and the management of defences		
	within the lower reaches of the estuary will be affected by		
	storm surges, damage to and breaching of defence walls		
	and extensive flooding. In order to deliver a coherent,		
	holistic approach to coastal and estuarine management it is		
	therefore necessary to include estuaries within the coastal		
	change management area policy – as set out in the NPPF-		
	Policy, as set out in the National Planning Policy Framework,		
	requires the delineation of the Coastal Change		
	Management Area to be informed by, amongst many other		

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	things, Estuary Plans. It is the intention of the Council to expand the boundary and principles of Coastal Change Management Areas to the estuaries of the plan area in order to fully address coastal change along the Suffolk coastline which, by law, extends to the mean low water mark in the estuaries.		
Anglian Water Services Ltd (Stewart Patience)	This section should also refer to powers available to adapt the coast, either in line with the Shoreline Management Plan (SMP) or through any subsequent reviews of the SMP to enable additional growth.	The SPD will set out the powers bestowed upon coastal authorities and our partners that can be used to manage the coast, including through the preparation and review of Shoreline Management Plans.	No change.
Barton Willmore (Will Spencer)	The SPD should acknowledge the Overarching National Policy Statement (NPS) for Energy (EN-1) and the NPS for Renewable Energy (EN-3), in terms of the support given to the need for renewable energy infrastructure, including offshore wind. NPS EN-1 states for example: "The UK needs all the types of energy infrastructure covered by this NPS in order to achieve energy security at the same time as dramatically reducing greenhouse gas emissions. It is for industry to propose new energy infrastructure projects within the strategic framework set by Government. The Government does not consider it appropriate for planning policy to set targets for or limits on different technologies. The IPC [now the Secretary of State] should therefore assess all applications for development consent for the types of infrastructure covered by the energy NPSs on the basis that the Government has demonstrated that there is a need for those types of infrastructure and that the scale and urgency of that need is as described for each of them in this Part" As noted above (under The Project) the policies in the relevant NPS are the principal considerations in the decision-making process for DCO applications, which could mean departures from other policy is justified in certain	The SPD will provide guidance relating to the implementation of coastal adaptation planning policies. The SPD will not provide guidance relating to the implementation of National Policy Statements, as these relate to the Development Consent Order (DCO) procedure and not to planning applications for which the Local Planning Authority is the determining body.	No change.

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	circumstances. This includes in respect of 'Enabling Development' to deliver certain public benefits which is addressed in more detail in the response to Question 8 below.		
Bidwells (Kate Hammond)	As commented above we consider that road re-alignment and traffic management should be properly considered within this document. Existing businesses rely on the existing highway network and therefore this should be properly considered and protected. We consider there should be more emphasis on other development options where land and property are lost or at risk of being lost in the future.	The SPD will provide guidance relating to the implementation of coastal adaptation planning policies. The SPD will not create new or amend existing planning policies as this is the role of the Development Plan and National Policy.	No change.
RSPB (lan Robinson)	The Statement of Common Ground Shared Aims states: • A holistic and "whole coast" approach will be taken; this recognises coastal change is an inevitable part of a dynamic coast. A naturally functioning coastline is desirable in principle but may not be appropriate in every location. • To protect the coastal environment, including nature conservation designations and biodiversity. In Waveney Development and Coastal Change SPD (which is to be replaced by this new SPD): • Although not always possible to replace habitat lost as a result of coastal erosion, the Local Planning Authority will endeavour to protect sites from development that could provide opportunities to recreate habitat close to existing sites. The NPPF makes mention in para 166 of the need for Integrated Coastal Zone management. Within the relevant Shoreline Management Plan's (SMPs) (5, 6 and 7) the style and presentation of information for options is very different making it difficult to assess the connectivity between SMP plans and areas. For example, the importance of longshore drift resulting from cliff erosion. How far the impact of this movement of minerals extends isn't explained and as such how important	The SPD will set out the affects that coastal processes and policies can have on the natural environment, and also to provide guidance relating to habitat creation and/or enhancement in relation to rollback and relocation coastal adaptation implementation. The SPD will not alter the approach to the management of the coast as this is the role of Shoreline Management Plans (SMPs).	The SPD will set out the importance of the natural environment and the impacts of coastal processes and planning policies on the natural environment.

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	adopting an option say in SMP 6 is to SMP 7 isn't immediately obvious. Equally, NPPF para 157 and para 163 describe the need to ensure flood risk doesn't get shifted to another location. This is an important consideration given the dynamic nature of this stretch of coast and needs to be appropriately captured in the SPD.		
The British Horse Society (Charlotte Ditchburn)	Yes	Comment noted.	No change.

3. What guidance for development in the Coastal Change Management Area should be identified in the SPD?

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Stu Precious	This exercise seems to be a box ticking exercise. You have not given any clear information and have	The initial consultation gave	No change.
	deliberately obfuscated, to put people off. This is a very serious issue concerning many livelihoods	respondents the opportunity	
	and also SSSI/RAMSAR biodiversity areas, and you make no attempt to explain the current position.	to influence the content of	
		the SPD. After taking account	
		of consultation responses the	
		Partnership Authorities will	
<u> </u>		consult on the Draft SPD.	
Paul Johnson	The document lacks a context, and can be read in different ways. After reading it I feel I know very	This initial consultation gave	No change.
	little more than I knew before reading it. I don't know how to answer this question.	respondents the opportunity	
		to influence the content of	
		the SPD. After taking account	
		of consultation responses the	
		Partnership Authorities will	
		prepare and then consult on	
		the Draft SPD.	
Jeffrey Hallett	See 2 above.	The impacts of specific	No change.
		infrastructure projects will	
		not be discussed, other than	
		where they relate to case	

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_		studies of coastal adaptation	_
		best practice. The SPD will,	
		however, provide guidance	
		relating to implementation of	
		coastal adaptation planning	
		policies.	
Margaret	Increased cooperation between companies to ensure the current ad-hoc planning situation where	The impacts of specific	No change.
Hallett	for example Sizewell C and on-shore parts of the wind turbines industry do not appear to be	infrastructure projects will	
	working together to reduce their impact the coast.	not be discussed, other than	
		where they relate to case	
		studies of coastal adaptation	
		best practice. The SPD will,	
		however, provide guidance	
		relating to implementation of	
		coastal adaptation planning	
		policies and will encourage	
		co-operation between	
		different	
		landowners/developers etc.	
North Norfolk	All new development in an area likely to affected by Roll Back should not be able to claim	The partnership authorities	Consider
District	compensation due to flooding or erosion. A realistic valuation of agricultural land not just financially	will consider whether it is	providing
Council (Harry	but also its strategic worth to the country.	appropriate for the SPD to	guidance on
Blathwayt)		provide guidance relating to	compensation
		compensation, noting that	and financial
		compensation is not	assistance
		specifically referred to in our	relating to roll
		planning policies.	back or
			relocation
			schemes.
Tessa Aston	That the coastline for Felixstowe be maintained as needed with particular reference to those areas	The SPD will not alter the	No change.
	of historical, ecological or biological areas. It is essential to protect these areas which also bring	approach to the management	
	people to the town thus supporting local business.	of the coast as this is the role	
		of SMPs.	

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Lindsay Frost	All guidance should focus on allowing natural processes to find a natural balance, and any human	Comment noted.	No change.
	use of the coastal zone should not take place if it is at risk from storm surges or coastal erosion.		
Richard	Guidance should be to wait until the Broadland Futures Initiative consultation has been completed.	This SPD and the Broadland	No change.
Starling		Futures Initiative (BFI)	
		operate within the same topic	
		area, that of coastal change.	
		However, the SPD is very	
		much focussed on providing	
		guidance relating to the	
		implementation of planning	
		policies, whereas the BFI is	
		looking to inform the	
		overarching flood risk	
		management strategy for the	
		next 100 years over a much	
		wider area. The SPD and BFI	
		can complement each other,	
		and the SPD need not be	
		restricted by the timings of	
		the BFI.	
Norman	Convincing argumenta as to why one part of coastline should be defended and others not. If the	The SPD will not alter the	Introduce a
Castleton	term managed retreat is used - what is precisely meant my managed. By this I mean arguments	approach to the management	glossary of terms
	other than economic criteria as defined by population density areas. Clear definitions and actions	of the coast as this is the role	into the SPD.
	regarding holding the line and even extending the line.	of SMPs.	
		The CDD will are side a	
		The SPD will provide a	
NI C - II	Title of the little of the lit	glossary of terms.	Ni. d
Norfolk	Lighting should be considered within the SPD— nocturnal lighting impacts biodiversity and human	The SPD will not create new	No change.
County	health and should be avoided in the first instance, and minimised if not. Consideration should be	or amend existing planning	
Council -	given to the retention of dark corridors from coastal terrestrial habitats to marine habitats to	policies as this is the role of	
Natural	minimise species fragmentation.	the Development Plan and	
Environment		National Policy. However, the	
Team	1	SPD will provide guidance on	

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(Catherine		biodiversity and the natural	
Dew)		environment where relevant	
		to the implementation of	
		coastal planning policies.	
Blue Sky	The SPD should include a specific section dealing with the caravan and camping parks. These are an	The SPD will include guidance	Ensure that
Leisure (Paul	important resource along the coast and contribute significantly to the availability of holiday	relating to the	appropriate
Timewell)	accommodation and consequently greatly impact upon the local economy. This is especially the	implementation of coastal	consideration is
	case in East Anglia where the availability of alternative holiday accommodation along the coast is	planning policies, including	given to caravan
	limited. They operate differently from other businesses, often focused on a seasonal basis and have	roll back and relocation and	and camping
	different needs and requirements. There are also operational differences between different types of	there is clear merit in	parks
	park, for instances those with fleet caravans (short term lets) compared with owner licensed	addressing caravan and	
	caravans (holiday homes); some parks will have a mix. The ability to move caravans and pitches	camping parks as part of this,	
	subject to owner licenses is different to fleet caravans. It may be necessary and appropriate for	which are (as stated)	
	Caravan and Camping sites to relocate development within the same erosion zone/risk epoch	significant feature of the local	
	(further away from imminent danger) for a period of time, whilst other roll back/relocation options	economy. At least one case	
	are explored and brought forward.	study should cover this issue	
		and there may be value in	
		considering a number of kinds	
		of development separately.	
Norfolk	a. Please include clear guidance on the expectations relating to the need for Flood Risk Emergency	The SPD will not create new	No change.
County	Plans (https://www.adeptnet.org.uk/system/files/documents/ADEPT%20%26%20EA%20Flood%	or amend existing planning	
Council - Lead	20risk%20emergency%20plans%20for%20new%20development%20September%202019pdf) and	policies as this is the role of	
Local Flood	the level of detail expected. In line with the direction of the Flood Risk and Coastal Erosion Policy	the Development Plan and	
Authority	Statement (2020), it could be prudent for guidance to be provided on requesting the applicant to	National Policy.	
(Sarah Luff)	outline their personal and business contingency plans for the short and medium term in relation to		
	flood risk and coastal change Emergency Plans.		
Felixstowe	The SPD should outline all relevant guidance, not only from Planning documents but also from the	The SPD will provide guidance	No change.
Town Council	EA, LLFAs, MMO, NE, AONB in order to assist applicants and planning officers to consider all	relating to the	
(Ash Tadjrishi)	cohesively. Reference should be made to the Coastal Concordat.	implementation of coastal	
		planning policies, and to	
		other guidance where	
		relevant to the	

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		implementation of coastal	
		planning policies.	
JE	Whilst I agree with the wording in Section 3 of the consultation document, the importance of	The SPD realises that coastal	No change.
Blanchflower	allowing for climate change should be mentioned.	change Is inherently linked to	
		climate change, and will seek	
		to provide case study	
		examples of coastal	
		adaptation best practice.	
Lowestoft	Seems to be fully covered in the Coastal Adaptation Supplementary Planning Document Initial	Support noted.	No change.
Cruising Club	Consultation, Section 4 Proposed Content of the SPD.		
(David			
Bennett)	Destruction of the continue to the characteristic beautiful and the continue to the continue t	The CDD III and the cities are	N. I.
N/A (Caroline	Predictions of risks and longevity of development projects based on modelling of coastal change.	The SPD will provide guidance	No change.
Spinks)		relating to the implementation of Coastal	
		Erosion Vulnerability	
		Assessments (CEVA).	
Andrew	No comment	N/A	N/A
McDonald			,,,
Peter	Only essential development should be allowed in the coastal fringe. All other development should	The SPD will provide guidance	No change.
Terrington	be encouraged to consider inland locations. Importance of Coastal Concordant for developments	relating to the	
_	which overlap marine and terrestrial environments.	implementation of coastal	
		planning policies, but cannot	
		change these Local Plan	
		policies.	
SCEG - Scratby	Need to clarify any replacement strategy. What future development will be allowed? What type of	The SPD will provide guidance	No change.
and California	new dwellings will be allowed in the 100 year plan. Within the CCMA ie will kit houses allowed.	relating to the	
Environment		implementation of coastal	
Group (Lodge)		planning policies but cannot	
		change these Local Plan	
6 11 11		policies	
Southwold	May need to reconsider guidance in area of north Southwold and south Reydon, depending on	The SPD will provide guidance	No change.
Town Council	whether mitigation policies are in place.	relating to the	

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(Lesley		implementation of coastal	
Beevor)		planning policies, which apply	
		to all areas	
Water	The Internal Drainage Boards of the Broads (2006) and East Suffolk specifically would want to be	The Councils will ensure that	Provide
Management	consulted on any potential developments (including both permanent and temporary) within their	the IDBs are being consulted	guidance
Alliance	Internal Drainage District by the relevant Local Planning Authorities. The Board believe this to be	on relevant applications	relating to
(Jessica	important as enabling development may impact on areas where important infrastructure such as		which, and
Nobbs)	Board Adopted Watercourses and Pumping Stations etc are cited. The Board may also have an	The SPD will provide guidance	when,
	interest in development that would be subject to its Byelaws (namely Byelaw 10 and Byelaw 3). The	in relation to which, and	organisations
	Board look to promote sustainable development within the IDD whilst taking into consideration	when, organisations should	should be
	elements such as environmental duties and ecological wellbeing, therefore having sight of potential	be consulted on development	consulted on
	developments that would impact on our IDD is important. CCMA should cover whole tidal flood risk	proposals under	development
	zones to ensure catchment scale long term special planning to prevent inappropriate development	consideration by coastal	proposals under
	now that will increase the cost of later enforced adaption from forecast sea level rise.	planning policies.	consideration by
			coastal planning
		The SPD cannot not alter the	policies.
		CCMA as this is the role of	
		Local Plans and SMPs.	
Deben Estuary	No Comment	N/A	N/A
Partnership			
(Christine			
Block)			
Anglian Water	The focus appears to new development proposals and public realm infrastructure only. As set above	The SPD will provide guidance	No change
Services Ltd	there is a need to consider the existing infrastructure managed by Anglian Water as well any future	relating to the provision of	
(Stewart	investment in the area to serve our customers.	infrastructure within and	
Patience)		adjacent to the CCMA.	
Barton	No Comment	N/A	N/A
Willmore (Will			
Spencer)			
Bidwells (Kate	All proposed new development ideas should be consulted and worked in partnership with local	The Partnership Authorities	No change.
Hammond)	planning authorities. Guidance should be prepared using two-way communication between local	will consult on the Draft SPD,	
	authorities and other stakeholders to prevent any unnecessary extra cost on pre-application plans.	when prepared. In relation to	
		potential planning	

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		applications, the pre-	
		application charging process	
		is available and	
		recommended	
RSPB (lan	There needs to be clarity on the boundaries of the CCMA to understand how this relates to the	The CCMA is identified and	No change.
Robinson)	wider SMP area, including the stretch of coast to Holkham, within the SPD. Documentation indicates	mapped in the Suffolk	
	the CCMA relates to Trimley Marshes and no other specific sites within the zone being considered,	Coastal, Waveney, and Great	
	however the greatest rate of annual loss of land centres around the Benacre area. Any changes	Yarmouth Stage 1 and	
	must be sustainable and demonstrate that any impacts on the environment will be avoided or	emerging Stage 2 Local Plans	
	minimised.	Policies Maps. The CCMA	
		(labelled the Coastal Erosion	
		Constraint Area) for North	
		Norfolk is identified on the	
		North Norfolk Local Plan	
		proposals map. The SPD	
		cannot alter the CCMA as this	
		is the role of Local Plans and	
		SMPs.	
The British	Guidance for development in the Coastal Change Management Area should include guidance	Comment noted. The SPD will	No change.
Horse Society	regarding access, including the BHS leaflet for developers and planners enclosed with this letter. A	set out the powers bestowed	
(Charlotte	document such as the 'Equestrians in Hampshire – a reference guide for Transport, Planners,	upon coastal authorities and	
Ditchburn)	Developers and other decision makers' mentioned below should be developed for each county and	our partners that can be used	
	used for Norfolk and Suffolk. At very minimum developers should be aware of their duties regarding	to manage the coast, and	
	'Public Rights of Way affected by coastal and estuarine change or management' provided by Suffolk	coastal management policies	
	County Council at: https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/public-rights-of-way-in-	and guidance established in	
	suffolk/rights-and-responsibilities/public-rights-of-way-affected-by-coastal-and-estuarine-change-	Local Plans and national	
	or-management/.	policy.	

4. Are the categories identified in section 3 appropriate and comprehensive or should others be identified?

Respondent	Comment	Partnership Response	Changes Made
Stu Precious	Tell people the proposals not just the methodology of the	The initial consultation gave respondents the	No change.
	consultation.	opportunity to influence the content of the SPD. After	

Respondent	Comment	Partnership Response	Changes Made
		taking account of consultation responses the	
		Partnership Authorities will prepare and consult on the	
		Draft SPD.	
Paul Johnson	This is confusing - section 3 does not identify any	Support noted. The question should have referred to	No change.
	categories, however section 4 does and they appear appropriate.	section 4.3.	
Jeffrey Hallett	Need to define what is meant by the "eastern half" of the	The SPD will not berelevant to Pettistree as the it only	No change.
	coastal coastal authorities. Does this include Pettistree?	relates to the immediate coastal area	
Margaret Hallett	The width of the "coastal band" is not sufficiently defined.	The initial consultation document does not refer to a	No change.
	Is it allied to height above sea level or settlements?	"coastal band", but the SPD will cover the areas at	
		potential risk of being affected by coastal erosion within	
		the next 100 years.	
North Norfolk	I think they are wide ranging enough to cover the bases.	Support noted.	No change.
District Council			
(Harry Blathwayt)			
Tessa Aston	How to maintain the beach should the water level rise. Is	The SPD cannot alter the approach to the management	No change.
	there sufficient protection in place for the houses and	of the coast as this is the role of Shoreline Management	
	proposed businesses at Manor End. Contingency plan	Plans (SMPs).	
	should the sea breach the wall, to what extent have the		
	tides been affected since last review. Has the 100 year		
	erosion plan stayed true or have matters accelerated.		
Lindsay Frost	Not sure which 'section 3' is meant here? If it is the a, b, c	Offshore development will be a matter for the marine	No change
•	bit then also d Offshore development e Vulnerability to	planning regime to deal with and therefore guidance on	
	storm surge flooding	marine development cannot be provided within the	
		SPD. The primary focus of the SPD is providing guidance	
		relating to the implementation of coastal adaptation	
		planning policies, rather than flood risk planning	
		policies.	
Richard Starling	We do not know as we have not had sufficient	Comment noted – more details will be included in the	No change.
-	information yet.	draft SPD	
Norman Castleton	Sites of special geographic. historical, heritage, scientific,	The categories identified in section 4.3 relate to types of	No change.
	natural & geological interest.	development within the CCMA, as well as guidance	_
		relating to Coastal Erosion Vulnerability Assessments.	

Respondent	Comment	Partnership Response	Changes Made
		The SPD will provide specific guidance relating to geological or heritage sites, but will touch on these areas where relevant to the implementation of the coastal planning policies.	
Blue Sky Leisure (Paul Timewell)	The SPD should acknowledge that some development will be seasonal and may require a different approach to the application of planning policy. For instance, works associated with Caravan and Camping parks may be best implemented 'out of season' to minimise economic impacts, which may affect time limits on decision notices. There should also be recognition of viability issues associated with roll back implementation, arising from the removal and relocation of services as well as caravans. This is a costly process, particularly if it results in loss of income while the roll back is taking place.	Comment noted. The SPD will provide guidance relating to roll back and relocation options and camping and caravan sites will be subject to consideration, given their significance to the local economy.	No change.
Norfolk County Council - Lead Local Flood Authority (Sarah Luff)	a. Most likely, although it would be helpful to see a breakdown of the contents for these section in order to provide any meaningful feedback.	Comment noted. When prepared the draft SPD will be consulted on, providing interested parties with the opportunity to comment on the detail of the SPD.	No change.
Felixstowe Town Council (Ash Tadjrishi)	The CCMA headings are appropriate. However, the LP rightly allows for Erosion Vulnerability Assessments to be required in certain locations in HTL areas. That should be explained, with examples. Other similar issues, e.g. the 30m Access Zones should be explained, whether in this section or perhaps better in a section dedicated to adaptation in HTL areas.	Comment noted. Guidance related to Coastal Erosion Vulnerability Assessments shall be explored, as with the application of such assessments in HTL areas.	Provide guidance related to the implementation of Policy SCLP9.3 with regard to the 30m zone landward of the CCMA.
J E Blanchflower	Add 'd. Respect for nationally designated areas such as AONBs, SSSIs, National Nature Reserves which should not be developed or subjected to damaging intervention'	The categories identified in section 4.3 relate to types of development within the CCMA, as well as guidance relating to Coastal Erosion Vulnerability Assessments. The SPD will not provide guidance relating to nature conservation or environmental designations, other than where relevant to the implementation of the coastal	No change.

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		planning policies. Other Local Plan and NPPF policies cover development potentially affecting nationally	
		designated areas.	
Lowestoft Cruising Club (David Bennett)	Not sure if this question refers to 3. Links to Shoreline Management Plans (SMPs), or 4.3 Development in the Coastal Change Management Area.	Comment noted. The question should have referred to section 4.3.	No change.
Andrew McDonald	Yes, although 'development which could have adverse impacts on coastal erosion, coastal processes and vulnerability elsewhere' could be expanded upon - is the 'vulnerability' strictly limited to coastal change?	Comment noted. The SPD will provide guidance relating to the implementation of coastal planning policies. Vulnerability, as referenced in the initial consultation document is referring to coastal erosion and coastal processes.	No change.
Peter Terrington	Yes but more emphasis need on the impacts of development in areas of accretion. See 10 below.	The identification of the CCMA extent takes account of coastal accretion. The SPD will provide guidance relating to development within the CCMA.	
SCEG - Scratby and California Environment Group (Lodge)	Clarification of use of land within the CCMA Commercial usage.	Commercial development will be covered under 'permanent and temporary development on the Coast'.	No change.
Southwold Town Council (Lesley Beevor)	Ok	Comment noted.	N/A
Water Management Alliance (Jessica Nobbs)	Development should have regard and ideally positively identify future role back for the freshwater environment requirements also. The natural landscape has huge economic and wellbeing value but is taken for granted currently. Given the long lead in times to create high biodiversity potential advanced build programmes would also be desirable. Bio-diversity offsetting payments through the planning process	The SPD will within its context chapter, set out the affects that coastal processes and policies can have on the natural environment. However, the guidance provided will primarily focus on the implementation of the coastal planning policies (i.e. development-related).	No change.
Deben Estuary Partnership (Christine Block)	No Comment	N/A	N/A

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Anglian Water	This section should highlight that any roll-back options	Comment noted. The SPD will highlight the need for	Highlight the need for
Services Ltd	need to be agreed in collaboration with the asset owners	collaboration with land and asset owners in discussing	collaboration with asset
(Stewart Patience)	and be realistic about timescales for moving/changing any	roll back and relocation options.	owners in agreeing roll back
	significant infrastructure. Should you have any queries		and relocation options.
	relating to this response please let me know.		
Barton Willmore	No Comment	N/A	N/A
(Will Spencer)			
Bidwells (Kate	We believe compensation opportunities should be	Financial compensation for loss of land due to erosion is	No change.
Hammond)	identified, especially for land managers/owners where	not something currently allowable and the SPD cannot	
	livelihoods are affected by coastal erosion and where roll	alter that.	
	back or new development is not feasible. We also believe		
	that enabling development opportunities should be	The SPD will provide guidance relating to enabling	
	considered within the document, such as where	development and the councils take a flexible approach	
	agricultural land or property is lost or at risk of being lost	but cannot create new policy.	
	in the short term other development options may be		
	considered more favourably to enable businesses to		
	diversify and continue / remain economically viable. This		
	will maintain existing employment and potentially create		
	future employment opportunities.		
RSPB (lan	We presume this question refers to the categories set out	The SPD will within its context chapter, set out the	Emphasise the impacts of
Robinson)	in Section 4, not section 3 as described in the initial	affects that coastal processes and policies can have on	coastal processes and
	consultation guidance document? As described in our	the natural environment.	planning policies on the
	comments to question 1, the RSPB advocates		natural environment (and
	differentiating between development for the purposes of	The terminology used within the SPD will categorise the	vice versa).
	nature conservation to maintain (and indeed improve)	built environment and natural environment separately	
	conditions for biodiversity, and separately covering	so as not to underplay the important role of the natural	Use terminology carefully
	development for other purposes e.g. built environment.	environment and the ways in which it is affected by	and avoid using
	This will help in judging and clarifying proposals when	changes to the coast, whether they be natural or built.	'development' to refer to
	using guidance from NPPF para 157 (sequential and		the built and natural
	exception tests)		environments.
The British Horse	The 3 categories are appropriate.	Support noted.	No change.
Society (Charlotte			
Ditchburn)			

5. What guidance on temporary development within the Coastal Change Management Area should be included?

Respondent	Comment	Partnership Response	Changes Made
Stu Precious	What proposed measures are currently in place and what is	The initial consultation gave respondents the opportunity to	No
	proposed to improve on that. This is just rubbish.	influence the content of the SPD. After taking account of	change.
		consultation responses the Partnership Authorities will write and	
		consult on the Draft SPD.	
Paul Johnson	Section 3 subsection 3 is beyond the scope of the typical non-	The initial consultation document was written in a manner that	No
	expert reader to answer.	used plain English as much as possible, however some questions	change.
		inevitably have to cover more complicated and technical	
		grounds than others.	
unite the union	fishing	While the SPD will pursue Integrated Coastal Zone Management	No
(Robert Riley)		to ensure effective alignment of the terrestrial and marine	change.
		planning regimes, the SPD cannot provide guidance relating to	
		policies set out in Marine Plans.	
Jeffrey Hallett	"Temporary" needs to be defined. The 10 to 12 year construction	The SPD will provide guidance relating to temporary	No
	time of Sizewell C is not temporary. For many it will be the rest of a	development, including the time limits that should be applied to	change.
	lifetime!	such development. The Sizewell C application has been	
		approved under the national infrastructure regime. Whilst the	
		construction will be temporary, the buildings themselves will be	
		permanent, of course	
Margaret Hallett	What is "temporary" ? For example the negative effect of the	The SPD will provide guidance relating to temporary	No
	'temporary' (project 12 year) development of Sizewell C on the	development, including the time limits that could/shouldould be	change.
	local community in terms of property value, tourist blight etc. will	applied to such development (which will be variable, depending	
	be life-changing for many locals.	on a range of circumstances).	
North Norfolk	I would like a. To include Temporary Holiday Sites as an important	Guidance in respect of criterion a. (of section 4.3 of the initial	No
District Council	issue as the previous 28 day allowance has increased to 56 days. As	consultation document) will relate to temporary holiday sites.	change.
(Harry Blathwayt)	I have a massive site in an AONB in my ward I am very aware of the	The 56-day allowance has now been returned to 28 days post-	
	implications impacting all aspects of coastal life. Human and all	Covid	
	forms of wild life and sand dune erosion.		

Respondent	Comment	Partnership Response	Changes Made
Tessa Aston	A regular review of the tides, climate change and how this will affect the shoreline and beach.	The SPD will not alter the approach to the management of the coast as this is the role of Shoreline Management Plans (SMPs). Coastal Erosion Vulnerability Assessments (CEVA) will be required in support of certain planning applications for development within the CCMA.	No change.
Lindsay Frost	Any temporary developments should not interfere with natural processes and should not be placed in areas at risk from storm surge flooding or coastal erosion.	Comment noted; however, some temporary developments can be appropriate in areas at risk from erosion and/or flooding. These are obviously very fact- and location-specific. The SPD will provide guidance on this matter	No change.
Richard Starling	Inform people that we have too many organisations making recommendations so best wait until things have been sorted with the BFI consultation.	This SPD and the Broadland Futures Initiative (BFI) operate within the same topic area, that of coastal change. However, the SPD is very much focussed on providing guidance relating to the implementation of planning policies, whereas the BFI is looking to inform the overarching flood risk management strategy for the next 100 years over a much wider area. The SPD and BFI can complement each other, and the SPD need not be restricted by the timings of the BFI.	No change.
Norman Castleton	No more caravan sites, no more static accommodation sites and as little development of any nature on the coastline as possible.	Comment noted, but Local Plan policies allow some (appropriate) new development/re-development in the coastal zone, although most forms of permanent new development (such as housing) are unlikely to be granted consent	No change.
Blue Sky Leisure (Paul Timewell)	The SPD should acknowledge that some temporary development may be necessary within the CCMA as part of a wider roll back proposal, to ensure continuity and viability of affected businesses. There may therefore be a need for temporary development in the high-risk zone to facilitate a successful roll back process.	This may be correct and the SPD will explore this point in more detail	No change.
Norfolk County Council - Lead Local Flood Authority (Sarah Luff)	a. A definition of what is considered to be temporary development in relation to the CCMA. We need to see a definition before identifying what guidance we would recommend. In addition, would temporary works/development include site compounds / material storage area / haul roads etc? If so some form of FRA and	The SPD will provide a definition for temporary development and this could include site compounds etc (if relevant)	No change.

Respondent	Comment	Partnership Response	Changes Made
	temporary drainage strategy would need to be considered. The same LLFA guidance as for permanent developments would apply.		
Felixstowe Town Council (Ash Tadjrishi)	No comment	N/A	N/A
J E Blanchflower	Legally enforceable time limits, consideration of disturbance to the status quo, impact on the landscape, vulnerability in fragile areas, access routes.	The SPD will provide guidance relating to the implementation of Local Plan coastal planning policies, including in relation to time limits.	No change.
Lowestoft Cruising Club (David Bennett)	Only essential temporary developments should be included, e.g. temporary flood and erosion prevention measures.	Comment noted. The SPD will provide guidance relating to what development might be appropriate within the CCMA and in what circumstances but cannot replace or update Local Plan policy which covers this matter.	No change.
N/A (Caroline Spinks)	Predictions of risks based on modelling of coastal change.	Comment noted – the extent of the Coastal Change Management Areas are assessed in the production of Shoreline Management Plans (SMPs)	No change.
Andrew McDonald	No comment	N/A	N/A
Peter Terrington	Applications should be considered against impacts on the environment.	Planning applications are considered against impacts arising from the proposed development on the environment, amongst other things.	No change.
SCEG - Scratby and California Environment Group (Lodge)	What sort of structure would be allowed for this? ie kit houses, caravan sites or commercial enterprises.	The SPD will provide clear guidance as to what development may be appropriate in such areas and in what circumstances, building on the relevant Local Plan policies.	No change.
Southwold Town Council (Lesley Beevor)	No Comment	N/A	N/A
Water Management Alliance (Jessica Nobbs)	Duration of temporary development and its location. What effects development may have on infrastructure that the Board have an interested in and how these temporary works will be implemented and removed pre and post development. Widest sense should encourage green build low construction footprint	The SPD will provide guidance relating to time limits and the implementation and removal of temporary development.	No change.

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Deben Estuary Partnership (Christine Block)	No Comment	N/A	N/A
Anglian Water Services Ltd (Stewart Patience)	No Comment	N/A	N/A
Barton Willmore (Will Spencer)	No Comment	N/A	N/A
Bidwells (Kate Hammond)	We believe approximate scientific time scales should be considered as part of the document and these should be reviewed as part of the development of this document.	The SPD will provide guidance relating to time limits of development, but the latest scientific evidence on sea-level rise, climate change etc and implications for planning and environmental policy is produced by Defra, DHLUC and the Environment Agency; the SPD therefore cannot alter these parameters	No change.
RSPB (Ian Robinson)	As described above in our comments related to Q3 the CCMA needs to be defined accurately. Any temporary development should only be considered as part of the staging process to move from the existing position/defended lines to a future one. Equally the approach as defined in NPPF para 171 is critical in applying an assessment based on the hierarchy of designations and 'taking a strategic approach to maintaining and enhancing networks of habitats and green infrastructure, and plan for the enhancement of natural capital at a catchment or landscape scale across local authority boundaries.' Adopting a universally accepted approach across all 3 SMP areas is essential. For example, SMP 5 and 6 take account of internationally protected sites and species — 'considered pertinent legislation.' SMP 7 only takes account of Annex 1 habitats, where there are extensive areas of internationally important freshwater habitats within this SMP zone.	The SPD will not alter the CCMA as this is the role of Local Plans and SMPs. The SPD will also not alter the approach to the management of the coast as this is the role of Shoreline Management Plans (SMPs). The SPD will provide guidance relating to the implementation of coastal planning policies.	No change.

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The British Horse	The same guidance should be provided for temporary	Comment noted.	No
Society (Charlotte	development as that for permanent development in the Coastal		change.
Ditchburn)	Change Management Area.		

6. What elements should be included within a Coastal Erosion Vulnerability Assessment (CEVA)?

Respondent	Comment	Partnership Response	Make Changes
esc (beavan)	height above sea level, geology, likelihood of funding for defences	Consideration has been given to whether the proposed factors should form part of a Coastal Erosion vulnerability Assessment, and relevant guidance is provided in chapter 4 and appendices.	No change.
Stu Precious	Property assessments Biodiversity assessments. Erosion Timescale assessments. Best practice audits. Hold the line v managed retreat. Budgetary impact assessments. Economic impact assessments. Long term Impact assessments.	Consideration has been given to whether the proposed factors should form part of a Coastal Erosion vulnerability Assessment, and relevant guidance is provided in chapter 4 and appendices.	No change.
unite the union (Robert Riley)	none	N/A	N/A
Jeffrey Hallett	Short and long tern effects and the impact on both everyday life and tourism.	Consideration has been given to whether the proposed factors should form part of a Coastal Erosion vulnerability Assessment, and relevant guidance is provided in chapter 4 and appendices.	No change.
Margaret Hallett	The effect on people's every-day existence and longer term well-being	Consideration has been given to whether the proposed factors should form part of a Coastal Erosion vulnerability Assessment, and relevant guidance is provided in chapter 4 and appendices.	No change.
North Norfolk District Council (Harry Blathwayt)	Sand dredging at sea, particularly in the Yare alluvial basin off Great Yarmouth. I can not find definitive research on the impact on beaches to the north of this activity.	While the SPD will pursue Integrated Coastal Zone Management to ensure effective alignment of the terrestrial and marine planning regimes, the SPD cannot provide guidance relating to policies set out in Marine Plans or proposals governed under the marine planning regime,	No change.

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		unless such proposals overlap with the terrestrial planning regime.	
		A report on Hemsby coastal erosion produced by consultants Jacobs for Great Yarmouth Borough Council in 2018 may be of interest but to summarise, there is little or no evidence that modern offshore dredging has any effect on beach levels.	
Tessa Aston	Whether the 100 year erosion line is still valid; is there need for further groynes; are the groynes in the best place still and is there a need to adjust their height in view of recent tide levels; with recent developments is the flood protection still appropriate for the area; what is the likely impact on geological and biological features and how has this changed	The SPD cannot create or amend policies concerning the future protection of specific stretches of coast as this is the role of the Shoreline Management Plan.	No change.
Lindsay Frost	Historic and predicted rates of erosion. Isostatic adjustment rates. Sea level rise rates. Potential loss of human life. Potential financial losses. Cost-benefit analyses of current flood and erosion defences. Wider impact of current coastal erosion and flood defences.	Consideration has been given to whether the proposed factors should form part of a Coastal Erosion vulnerability Assessment, and relevant guidance is provided in chapter 4 and appendices.	No change.
Richard Starling	A promise not to levy any fees or charges or indeed make a Coastal Erosion Vulnerability assessment compulsory for planning applicants. We have enough hoops to jump through now without more pointless assessments.	Coastal Erosion Vulnerability Assessments are required for certain development types within specified areas, as adopted through Local Plans. The SPD cannot alter the need to prepare CEVAs, but instead seeks to provide guidance in order to aid applicants in the preparation of CEVAs.	No change.
Norman Castleton	Economically important, naturally important, special scientifically important	Consideration has been given to whether the proposed factors should form part of a Coastal Erosion vulnerability Assessment, and relevant guidance is provided in chapter 4 and appendices.	No change.
Blue Sky Leisure (Paul Timewell)	The SPD should explain the role of Coastal Erosion Vulnerability Assessments, the circumstances in which the may be applicable to outweigh the shore line management plan, the weight that can be attributed to them in the consideration of development proposals, their	The SPD provides guidance relating to the role of Coastal Erosion vulnerability Assessments, the circumstances in which they may be required, the consideration and level of detail required in their preparation. The weight that can be attributed to a Coastal Erosion Vulnerability Assessment	No change.

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	expected content and technical work needed to underpin them and any expectations/requirements for Council and public engagement.	would be a matter for the decision maker, and cannot be prescribed in the SPD.	
Norfolk County Council - Lead Local Flood Authority (Sarah Luff)	a. Description of the existing site and current day site conditions; b. Description of the proposed development; c. Description of the existing and future coastal erosion risk (including the impacts of climate change; d. Assessment of the current and future rate of erosion; e. An estimation of when the development is likely to be directly and indirectly compromised by coastal erosion and how this is likely to occur; f. Consideration of the potential change of flood risk posed due to coastal change; g. Consideration of the risk management measures that would be in place for the short, medium and long term scenarios; h. Description of what the applicants personal/business contingency plans for the short, medium and long term in relation to coastal change. i. An emergency plan for developments directly on the coastline.	Consideration has been given to whether the proposed factors should form part of a Coastal Erosion vulnerability Assessment, and relevant guidance is provided in chapter 4 and appendices.	No change.
Felixstowe Town Council (Ash Tadjrishi)	The local geology, and erosion history, should be required to be investigated, with appropriate evidence bases.	Consideration has been given to whether the proposed factors should form part of a Coastal Erosion vulnerability Assessment, and relevant guidance is provided in chapter 4 and appendices.	No change.
J E Blanchflower	The effects of climate change and extreme weather patterns, whether erosion is compensated by deposition in another part of the coastline, allowing natural processes to take place rather than attempting to resist change with expensive and often unsightly defences.	Consideration has been given to whether the proposed factors should form part of a Coastal Erosion vulnerability Assessment, and relevant guidance is provided in chapter 4 and appendices.	No change.
Lowestoft Cruising Club (David Bennett)	Predicted global sea level rises and adverse weather events as a result of the climate emergency. Effect of unregulated use of upper Blythe estuary by speedboats, jet skis causing erosion, loss of habitat for nesting birds at certain times of year, disruption of emerging seal colony'	Consideration has been given to whether the proposed factors should form part of a Coastal Erosion vulnerability Assessment, and relevant guidance is provided in chapter 4 and appendices.	No change.
Andrew McDonald	No comment	N/A	N/A
Peter Terrington	Cost benefit analysis.	Consideration has been given to whether the proposed factor should form part of a Coastal Erosion vulnerability Assessment, and relevant guidance is provided in chapter 4 and appendices.	No change.

Respondent	Comment	Partnership Response	Make Changes
SCEG - Scratby and California Environment Group (Lodge)	Time scale The demographics of the community Options for assessment of vulnerability	Consideration has been given to whether the proposed factors should form part of a Coastal Erosion vulnerability Assessment, and relevant guidance is provided in chapter 4 and appendices.	No change.
Southwold Town Council (Lesley Beevor)	No Comment	N/A	N/A
Water Management Alliance (Jessica Nobbs)	No comments	N/A	N/A
Deben Estuary Partnership (Christine Block)	The Planning Practice Guidance provides the following advice on what a Coastal Change Vulnerability Assessment would need to demonstrate: "In considering the requirements of the National Planning Policy Framework a vulnerability assessment might demonstrate that the development: would not impair the ability of communities and the natural environment to adapt sustainably to the impacts of a changing climate; will be safe through its planned lifetime, without increasing risk to life or property, or requiring new or improved coastal defences; would not affect the natural balance and stability of the coastline or exacerbate the rate of shoreline change to the extent that changes to the coastline are increased nearby or elsewhere.	The SPD will be consistent with national policy and guidance.	No change.
Anglian Water Services Ltd (Stewart Patience)	No Comment	N/A	N/A
Barton Willmore (Will Spencer)	No Comment	N/A	N/A
Bidwells (Kate Hammond)	The elements that is causing the erosion whether it is surface drainage, underground springs, increasing sea levels, poor or unmanaged defences.	Consideration has been given to whether the proposed factors should form part of a Coastal Erosion vulnerability Assessment, and relevant guidance is provided in chapter 4 and appendices.	No change.

Respondent	Comment	Partnership Response	Make Changes
RSPB (Ian Robinson)	There should be a section in the proposed content on 'Working together to ensure a coherent network of designated coastal habitats is maintained through adaptive coastal management on a dynamic coastline.' The approach presented within SMP 6 should be applied to SMP 5 and SMP 7. This clearly sets out predicted lines where the coast will be in the three epochs. Vulnerability will presumably change over time as erosion occurs and so an iterative approach will need to be adopted and options reviewed. Conflict will exist in valuation of property versus land versus legal status. Irrespective early planning must take place with opportunity mapping to define where housing and transport infrastructure will need to be placed, where freshwater habitats will need to be recreated, where non-designated land will need to be (if deemed appropriate and feasible) recreated well in advance of permanent change. A piecemeal approach will not be appropriate and must be based on a community, a business/facility, a discreet area of land.	Comment noted. However, the SPD cannot alter the approach to the management of the coast as this is the role of Shoreline Management Plans (SMPs).	No change.

7. What guidance on Roll-back and relocation options should be included?

Respondent	Comment	Partnership Response	Changes Made
esc (beavan)	need more resilience planning	Comment noted; resilience is an important	No change.
		consideration	
Stu Precious	Timescales, Compulsary purchase Process help and guidance, Help to sell/dispose of assets, Avoidance of negative equity assistance. Alternative options to roll back. If the Dutch can do it why can't we. Investment in effective anti erosion strategies. Case Study, Hopton Beach. Accurate Bathymetric and Longshore Drift surveys. Roll back and relocation sounds like you're giving up.	Comment noted. The SPD cannot create new or amend existing planning policies as this is the role of the Development Plan and National Policy and SMPs determine the management of the coast.	No change.
Janet Huckle	I refer here to Pakefield Lighthouse active 1886-1906. Although not a functioning Trinity House lighthouse it serves an important purpose. It is run and maintained by Pakefield Coast Watch which is a growing number of Coastal Surveillance Stations manned by volunteer men and women, located	The SPD will provide guidance relating to rollback and relocation options that could be applied to land and development across the SPD area.	No change.

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	around the coast of mainland Britain. All stations carry out the same task,		
	which is to assist Her Majesty's Coast Guard in their task of helping people in		
	trouble, on or near the sea. HM Coastguard recognises the worth of coastal		
	surveillance stations and many, including ours at Pakefield, hold "Declared		
	Facility Status" which means that they are recognised as contributing to the		
	safety of life by operating a coastal station. Pakefield Coastwatch is		
	responsible to HM Coastguard and operates from approximately Lowestoft		
	Harbour to the village of Kessingland, and as far out to sea as visibility allows.		
	Pakefield Coastwatch is a charity registered with the Charity Commission for		
	England and Wales. I think that what Pakefield Coastwatch does is very		
	important and should be taken into consideration when Roll-back and		
	relocation options are discussed, taking note of its contributions to the safety		
	of people on or near the sea. It is also part of the history of this coastline and		
	should be preserved.		
Jeffrey	Insistence on proper public planning consent and not imposition by a	The SPD cannot alter the decision-making procedure,	No change.
Hallett	Secretary of State.	as this is the role of planning legislation.	
Margaret	to insist on Effective planning control by the local authority not over-ruled for	The SPD cannot alter the decision-making procedure,	No change.
Hallett	so-called National importance issues	as this is the role of planning legislation. Nationally	
		Significant Infrastructure Projects follow a separate	
		planning process, with the final determination on these	
		made by the relevant Secretary of State.	
North	This is dependant the scale of any Roll Back or managed retreat. Again this is	The SPD will not alter the approach to the	No change.
Norfolk	likely to impact my ward as it includes Horsey, Waxham, Sea Palling, Hickling,	management of the coast as this is the role of	
District	and Potter Heigham. As any examination of the map will show the ward is	Shoreline Management Plans (SMPs).	
Council	almost entirely coastal and river flood plain 3. Large areas are dependant on		
(Harry	Coastal and Broads National Park economy. What measures will be put in		
Blathwayt)	place to protect the more substantial settlements What wild life mitigation		
	will be required in turning the area to salt wet lands from the present fresh		
	water and marsh areas. The need of infrastructure to reduce salt incursion to		
	the whole of the Broads Northern River System.		
Tessa Aston	Is there an existing plan should the need to relocate residents or structures of	The management of different sections of the coastline	No change.
	national importance due to climate change/higher tides.	is set out in the Shoreline Management Plans (SMPs).	

Respondent	Comment	Partnership Response	Changes Made
		The SPD will not alter the approach to the	
		management of the coast as this is the role of SMPs.	
Lindsay Frost	See the Pathfinder Pilot Project feedback from Happisburgh (North Norfolk)	The Partnership led on the Happisburgh project and so	No change.
	(see the excellent(!) chapter on coasts (pp 116-169) in Edexcel AS/A level	is well aware of it and it will feature as a case study in	
	Geography Book 1 published by Pearson).	the SPD	
Richard	Await outcome of the Broadland Futures Initiative before we know in detail	This SPD and the Broadland Futures Initiative (BFI)	No change.
Starling	about relevant options.	operate within the same topic area, that of coastal	
		change. However, the SPD is very much focussed on	
		providing guidance relating to the implementation of	
		planning policies, whereas the BFI is looking to inform	
		the overarching flood risk management strategy for the	
		next 100 years over a much wider area. The SPD and	
		BFI can complement each other, and the SPD need not	
		be restricted by the timings of the BFI.	
Norman	Roll back should be a last resort and not as an excuse not to spend any	Rollback is part of the suite of options available to	No change.
Castleton	money. The full consequence of roll back should be assessed e.g. the effects	manage the coastline but any decision on rollback will	
	on the hinterlands including the marchlands of Broadland.	primarily be made through the SMPs and Local Plans.	
		All implications are carefully considered and the SPD	
		will provide guidance on rollback	
Blue Sky	The SPD should acknowledge that the application of the roll-back and	The SPD will provide guidance relating to the	No change.
Leisure (Paul	relocation policy will be different for different types of business, and the site-	implementation of rollback and relocation planning	
Timewell)	specific opportunities and requirements will vary. The scope of the options	policies and it is recognised that different approaches	
	appraisal should be set out and include advice on expectations for areas of	will be necessary for different situations	
	search. The SPD should provide guidance on instances where the potential		
	relocation site is a distance away from the 'at risk' site, including potentially in	The SPD will also provide advice relating to enabling	
	a different district. The SPD should provide advice on the potential for	development but the weight to be given to the benefits	
	relaxation of normal' planning policy that could apply to a site or area if it	of a relocation can only be assessed on a case-by-case	
	provides an appropriate opportunity for a relocation site away from the 'at	basis	
	risk' zone. The SPD should provide guidance on the weight that can be given		
	to the benefits of relocating development from an 'at risk' zone to offset		
Ni. C. II	against the impacts of development to the safer site.	Constructed The Bode of the William Construction	D. J. J.
Norfolk	a. The timescale guidance; b. Planning permission requirements; c. Funding	Comment noted. The Partnership will consider whether	Detail
County	streams that may be available to support. d. How roll back / relocation will be	to provide guidance relating to details of potential	potential

Respondent	Comment	Partnership Response	Changes Made
Council -	considered in terms of planning consideration and whether there will be any	funding streams available to rollback and relocation	funding
Lead Local	variations from normal planning application submission?	proposals.	streams
Flood			available to
Authority			rollback and
(Sarah Luff)			relocation
			proposals.
Felixstowe	No comment – this is not currently relevant to Felixstowe - long may that	N/A	N/A
Town Council	remain so.		
(Ash			
Tadjrishi)			
JE	I don't understand the jargon, therefore I cannot answer this question.	Comment noted. A glossary will be included in the SPD.	No change.
Blanchflower			
Lowestoft	While a cost benefit analysis is appropriate, there may be other factors to	Preservation of historic sites and buildings will be an	No change.
Cruising Club	consider, e.g. preserving historic sites and buildings, looking longer term at	important consideration in relevant situations	
(David	the impacts of the climate emergency.		
Bennett)	The state of the s	A contact to be a few and a few and the fe	NI I
N/A (Caroline	Impact assessments should be made on areas deemed suitable for relocation.	Any potential relocation areas will need to be assessed	No change.
Spinks) Andrew	A soing the adotes and a major so lither are a controlled a controlled and	carefully and the SPD will provide guidance	No shange
McDonald	Again, the statement envisages 'the movement of assets currently or soon to	The SPD will provide a glossary of terms. In general terms, the relocation site will need to be safe from	No change
IVICDONAIG	be at risk from coastal change to less vulnerable locations' and it would be helpful to extend the definition of 'vulnerable' to include the inherent	coastal erosion.	
	vulnerabilities of the relocation site as well as the underlying vulnerability due	Coastal elosion.	
	to coastal change.		
Peter	cost benefit analysis and investigation of sources of funding for inducements	Comment noted. Decisions on rollback are rarely	Detail
Terrington	to homes and businesses to relocate inland	straightforward	potential
remigion	to nomes and businesses to relocate infand	Straightfor ward	funding
			streams
			available to
			rollback and
			relocation
			proposals.

Respondent	Comment	Partnership Response	Changes Made
SCEG -	Identifying land or sites appropriate for future roll-back use. As much detail as	The SPD cannot identify land for development, for	No change.
Scratby and	possible to guide the local authorities on what can be done. At what stage to	future rollback or relocation, as this is the role of the	
California	allow action on policy	Development Plan but will provide guidance on	
Environment		rollback	
Group			
(Lodge)			
Southwold	No Comment	N/A	N/A
Town Council			
(Lesley			
Beevor)			
Water	Relocation options should consider if locations are to be within or near to one	Comment noted. The SPD cannot identify land for	Provide
Management	of the Internal Drainage Boards and associated infrastructure. Re-location	development, for future rollback or relocation, as this	guidance
Alliance	may require adhering to the Boards Byelaws depending on the scope of	is the role of the Development Plan. The SPD can	relating to
(Jessica	development. Ideally an agreed catchment scale spatial plan should identify	however provide guidance relating to actions that	actions that
Nobbs)	preferred "roll to" long term sustainable locations. Guidance should be fit a	should be taken by landowners or applicants if land is	should be
	single property through to whole communities.	within or near to one of the Internal Drainage Boards	taken by
		and associated infrastructure.	landowners or
			applicants if
			land is within
			or near to one
			of the Internal
			Drainage
			Boards and
			associated
			infrastructure.
Deben	No Comment	N/A	N/A
Estuary			
Partnership			
(Christine			
Block)			
Anglian	No Comment	N/A	N/A
Water			
Services Ltd			

Respondent	Comment	Partnership Response	Changes Made
(Stewart			
Patience)			
Barton	No Comment	N/A	N/A
Willmore			
(Will			
Spencer)			
Bidwells	Authorities and stakeholders to work in partnership to assess the needs of the	Comment noted. The SPD cannot identify land for	No change.
(Kate	opportunities available. We believe there should be a sensible look at areas	development, for future rollback or relocation, as this	
Hammond)	for relocation/rollback and a more sympathetic planning partnership with	is the role of the Development Plan.	
	local Parishes to allow businesses/Individuals to progress with bringing		
	prosperity into their specific area. As stated above we also believe that	The SPD will provide guidance relating to enabling	
	enabling development opportunities should be considered within the	development, but again cannot create or modify	
	document, such as where agricultural land is lost other development options	existing policy.	
	may be considered more favourably to enable businesses to diversify and		
	continue / remain economically viable. Enabling development can be included		
	to cover the additional costs of replacing assets which are lost. This will		
	maintain existing employment and potentially create future employment		
	opportunities.		
RSPB (lan	Comments mentioned in response to question 6 are also relevant.	The Partnership will explore the opportunity to provide	Consider
Robinson)	Compensation and other costs should be factored in. Within SMP's 5 and 7	guidance relating to compensation.	providing
	significant areas of low-lying coastal habitat fall within Flood Zone 2,		guidance
	suggesting change within Epoch's 1 and 2. SMP 5 shows maps of adaptive	The SPD cannot alter the approach to the management	relating to
	measures i.e. relinquishing land currently freshwater to brackish/salt,	of the coast as this is the role of Shoreline	compensation
	whereas SMP 7 merely shows Flood Zone categorisation. In addition, within	Management Plans (SMPs). The SPD also cannot	and other
	the options described in SMP7 the position describing retention of	identify land for rollback and relocation of natural	financial
	biodiversity status quo is invalid. The biodiversity value of brackish and	habitat or built development as this is the role of the	assistance for
	saltwater habitats cannot be compared like for like with freshwater habitats	Development Plan, or for development proposals to	coastal
	as each supports a different range of species. If the prediction is freshwater	demonstrate through planning applications. IT does,	adaptation
	habitats will be lost in allowing natural processes to occur to benefit the	however, encourage the consideration of habitat	projects.
	whole focus area covered by the SPD, then these habitats need to be	(re)creation	
	recreated to sustain wildlife dependent on the biotic parameters found within		
	these habitats. Significant areas of low-lying coastal marsh will inevitably be		
	lost and as has been shown in North Norfolk replacing this habitat type may		

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Respondent	Comment	Partnership Response	Changes Made
	only be possible some considerable distance away. Have relocation zones		
	been earmarked where not only the type of the habitat but also the scale (i.e.		
	hundreds of hectares) been identified? Resolving this issue is likely to be		
	much harder (but no less important) than relocating a household or a		
	business threatened from coastal change, and recognition needs to given to		
	the time needed to create a quality replacement, not just to finding an		
	equivalent area of land. It will likely be that the location for replacement		
	habitats may well fall outside of the relevant SPD area and even planning		
	authority areas for example inland into the Cambridgeshire fens.		
The British	Developers should be provided with information about diverting Public Rights	Comment noted. The SPD will set out the powers	No change.
Horse	of Way provided by Norfolk County Council at:	bestowed upon coastal authorities and our partners	
Society	https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/out-and-about-in-norfolk/public-rights-of-	that can be used to manage the coast, and coastal	
(Charlotte	way/public-path	management policies and guidance established in Local	
Ditchburn)	orders#:~:text=The%20Council%20has%20a%20power,Bridleways%20or%20R	Plans and national policy.	
	estricted%20Byways%20respectively. And by Suffolk County Council at:		
	https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/public-rights-of-way-in-		
	suffolk/public-rights-of-way-and-planning//		
	http://www.suffolkpublicrightsofway.org.uk/home/making-changes-to-the-		
	public-rights-of-way-network/		

8. What guidance on enabling development should be included?

Respondent	Comment	Partnership Response	Changes Made
Stu Precious	Oh puhleeze. this is stupid. The National planning	National Policy makes provision for enabling development	No change.
	Framework provides this.	in the context of preserving or enhancing heritage assets.	
		National policy does not make provision for enabling	
		development in respect of coastal matters but this SPD can	
		and does.	
unite the union	offshore	While the SPD will pursue Integrated Coastal Zone	No change.
(Robert Riley)		Management to ensure effective alignment of the	
		terrestrial and marine planning regimes, the SPD cannot	
		provide guidance relating to policies set out in Marine Plans	
		or proposals governed under the marine planning regime,	

Respondent	Comment	Partnership Response	Changes Made
		unless such proposals overlap with the terrestrial planning	
		regime.	
Jeffrey Hallett	What is enabling development in this context? The definition in 5 appears to be just the sort of action by a Secretary of State that I have mentioned in Q 7.	Comment noted. Enabling development is development that would ordinarily be contrary to policy but would secure a particular public benefit which may outweigh the disbenefits of departing from policy.	No change.
Margaret Hallett	Not sure what 'enabling development' means. If it is development that over rules local agreements and concerns it is not wanted.	Comment noted. Enabling development is development that would ordinarily be contrary to policy but would secure a particular public benefit which may outweigh the disbenefits of departing from policy.	No change.
North Norfolk District Council (Harry Blathwayt)	An expected life span of the development, taking into account worst case scenarios regarding the effects of global warming, particularly on water levels and turbulent weather patterns.	Comment noted. The SPD will provide guidance relating to the expected lifespan of development in the CCMA and of the particular public benefit that may enable an assessment as to whether a departure from policy is warranted.	Guidance relating to the expected lifespan of development and of the particular public benefit 'enabled' by the development.
Tessa Aston	Whilst development is always good news for towns it must be done with care. To overload the existing systems and land could be detrimental. Yes Felixstowe wants to increase the revenue brought into the town but it must not affect the existing nature reserve or areas of historical or biological importance. Careful watch needs to be maintained as the climate changes which will affect the sea, port and residential areas. It is a fine balance between improving the town and its facilities without disturbing the fragile environment.	Comment noted; reaching a balance is not always easy, as has been stated but the SPD will aim to help provide guidance on this matter.	No change.
Lindsay Frost	All developments should be as risk free as possible (erosion, storm surge) and not cause interference with natural processes.	Comment noted and it is agreed that it is vital that any enabling development is itself is as risk-free as possible and does not cause unjustifiable interference with natural processes. Almost all enabling development would be expected to be outside the CCMA	No change.

Respondent	Comment	Partnership Response	Changes Made
Richard Starling	Await outcome of the Broadland Futures Initiative before we know in detail about relevant options.	This SPD and the Broadland Futures Initiative (BFI) operate within the same topic area, that of coastal change. However, the SPD is very much focussed on providing guidance relating to the implementation of planning policies, whereas the BFI is looking to inform the overarching flood risk management strategy for the next 100 years over a much wider area. The SPD and BFI can complement each other, and the SPD need not be restricted by the timings of the BFI.	No change.
Norman Castleton	There should be no further development apart from defensive work on the coastline	Comment noted but this is not a realistic position – some development (such as for critical infrastructure) will always be necessary and other development may be acceptable and even desirable, so long as the impacts and any risks are not unacceptable	No change.
Norfolk County Council - Natural Environment Team (Catherine Dew)	When 'enabling development' there are opportunities to look favourably on developments that provide additional BNG (e.g. 100% -200% above the baseline) and incentives for green roofsetc. but this will need to be carefully thought out as development will still need to avoid ecologically sensitive areas.	Comment noted. The Partnership will consider providing guidance relating to Biodiversity Net Gain, in anticipation of the provisions of the Environment Act.	Consider providing guidance relating to Biodiversity Net Gain.
Blue Sky Leisure (Paul Timewell)	The SPD needs to acknowledge that Roll-Back can be an expensive process and should provide positive and clear advice on the nature of enabling development that would be considered acceptable, for instance, to help fund roll back proposals. It should include expectations for material and information demonstrating that enabling development is appropriate. It should also provide advice and guidance where enabling development might be a distance away from the activity affected by coastal change, including in another district.	Comment noted. The SPD will provide guidance relating to enabling development, including the circumstances under which enabling development may be acceptable.	No change.
Norfolk County Council - Lead Local	Difficult to really comment much on this in general terms. Therefore, the LLFA would wish to discuss such sites on an individual and detailed basis. We would also request	Comment noted and agreed – each proposal will have to be judged on a case-by-case basis	No change.

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Flood Authority	guidance to be produced on conducting ground		
(Sarah Luff)	investigations, building access routes and putting up		
	storage area that is in accordance with our current LLFA		
	developer guidance and LLFA policies. Again, our		
	requirement for a Flood Risk Assessment and temporary		
	drainage strategy would need to be completed in		
	accordance with our existing guidance.		
Felixstowe Town	No comment – this is not currently relevant to Felixstowe -	N/A	N/A
Council (Ash	long may that remain so.		
Tadjrishi)			
J E Blanchflower	Suggesting sites for development away from the coast or	Comment noted. Enabling development would normally be	No change.
	using 'brown field' coastal sites. Coastal development	expected to be away from the coast.	
	should be discouraged so that the remaining undeveloped		
	sections of our coastline remain as wildlife habitats to be	The SPD has no power to limit whether any new homes are	
	appreciated by future generations. Above all, no more	second homes.	
	second homes on coastal sites.		
Lowestoft Cruising	Difficult to suggest specific guidance as it depends on the	Comment noted and agreed – enabling development can	No change.
Club (David	particular development and how it is contrary to policy, and	only be judged on a case-by-case basis	
Bennett)	how and to what extent it would secure a particular public		
	benefit which may outweigh the disbenefits of departing		
	from policy.		
N/A (Caroline	Sometimes NOT to develop may be the more valuable	Comment noted.	No change.
Spinks)	option.		
Andrew McDonald	Previous experience of the proposed (and actual) use of	Comment noted. Paragraphs 3.72-3.74 of the Suffolk	No change.
	Enabling Development by Suffolk Coastal D C (and the	Coastal Local Plan (SCLP) demonstrate the importance of a	
	statements in sections 3.72-3.74 of the recently adopted	plan led system by noting that enabling development may	
	East Suffolk Local Plan) give cause for concern that Enabling	be accepted in exceptional circumstances – in other words,	
	Development may be regarded as a policy option, rather	every such case needs to demonstrate the particular	
	than an exceptional mechanism. It is also difficult to	justification to warrant a departure from the Local Plan,	
	determine from the consultation document exactly what	and the bar is high.	
	form this 'option' would take – could ED be used as a		
	fundraising mechanism to defray the cost of relocation? Or	Plan-led approaches helpful to relocation and rollback can	
	would it be used as a mechanism for siting relocated	be practised. Waveney Local Plan Policy WLP6.1 is an	

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	housing in areas which would normally be inaccessible to development? In either case, it is important to take very seriously the restrictions on the use of Enabling Development – as the current Local Plan states, it requires 'exceptional individual circumstances', and its use in exceptional circumstances ' needs to be justified, transparent and deliverable as a comprehensive package, with clear community benefits.' {para 3.73}. It cannot be adopted in advance as a potential funding or development option, and it is surely preferable for East Suffolk Council to use the existing planning system appropriately, rather than to seek to rely on mechanisms that avoid the planning regulations that have been adopted to protect the community and its environment.	allocation of 220 new dwellings in Reydon, of which seven are reserved for people whose properties have already been lost to erosion, or are at high risk of being lost soon. But there will always be occasions where a case is made for enabling development, which cannot have been envisaged by the Local Plan.	
Peter Terrington	Only essential development considered in coastal fringe.	Comment noted – inappropriate development in the CCMA is by definition not acceptable	No change.
SCEG - Scratby and California Environment Group (Lodge)	Identifying land or sites appropriate for future roll-back use. As much detail as possible to guide the local authorities on what can be done. At what stage to allow action on policy	Comment noted. The SPD cannot identify land for development, for future rollback or relocation, as this is the role of the Development Plan, but will provide guidance to assist.	No change.
Southwold Town Council (Lesley Beevor)	No Comment	N/A	N/A
Water Management Alliance (Jessica Nobbs)	The Board have created a number a document (Planning and Byelaw Strategy) which we believe should be referenced within the SPD when referring to development within one of the Boards IDD which will help other Risk Management Authorities as well and land managers and developers intending to undertake works/development within the IDB districts. The document intends to support other RMAs that relate to flood risk, erosion and environmental matters.	Comment noted. The SPD will reference documents where they would be of relevance to the application of the guidance provided.	No change

Respondent	Comment	Partnership Response	Changes Made
Deben Estuary	Points on Enabling Development taken from the appendix	Comment noted – reference to this will be made in the SPD	Make reference to
Partnership	to Deben Estuary Plan: Enabling development may be	and some points may be appropriate for wider application	the points on
(Christine Block)	permitted as an exception to policy when delivering	in the SPD area	enabling
	sufficient, measurable benefits to flood protection and		development in the
	estuary management which could not otherwise be		Deben Estuary Plan
	achieved. Reasons for allowing Enabling Development: ••		
	to provide direct financial benefit to estuary management –		
	focused on essential, long term, flood protection measures		
	within a defined estuary area, necessary to maintain or		
	improve flood defence •• to support opportunities to		
	deliver partnership funding when a lack or shortfall of		
	government grant aid and other finance and restricts action		
	•• to support flood protection measures which have been		
	agreed as necessary by all relevant landowners and		
	consented by the EA Site selection for enabling		
	development should: •• be located outside areas identified		
	by the Environment Agency as being at risk of flooding from		
	estuaries or sea •• be based on a principle of the optimal		
	number of additional dwellings sustainable within a defined		
	parish and estuary area •• be appropriate in scale, sensitive		
	to the topography and mindful of any landscape and		
	environmental designations that apply •• have no		
	significant, adverse impact on biodiversity and geodiversity		
	•• contribute to enhancing or maintaining the sustainability		
	of rural communities in accordance with the Settlement		
	Hierarchy •• deliver development that reflects, when		
	possible, evidenced local need in terms of dwelling size and		
	configuration •• include the conversion or re-use of		
	redundant or disused buildings		
Anglian Water	No Comment	N/A	N/A
Services Ltd			
(Stewart Patience)			

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Barton Willmore	NFOWF Ltd welcomes the recognition in Section 4 of the	The SPD will not set out the types of development that may	No change.
(Will Spencer)	Consultation Document that there may be circumstances	or may not be granted consent as enabling development,	
	whereby 'enabling development' may be supported. As	that is for the decision maker on a case by case basis, but	
	noted this is development that would be justified based on	the kinds of development suggested here may be essential	
	how its benefits outweigh any disbenefits of departing from	infrastructure which can only be located at the coast –	
	policy. The SPD should state that such enabling	which means they are not normally enabling development	
	development may include infrastructure associated with	themselves and will be considered elsewhere in the SPD	
	the delivery of renewable energy developments, such as		
	the electricity grid connection for an offshore wind farm or		
	any works/activities associated with its construction (such		
	as the use of ports infrastructure for the assembly/shipping		
	of components). It is not the place of the SPD to seek to		
	impede development which may, subject to appropriate		
	mitigation and effective management, deliver significant		
	overarching benefits to the coastal environment.		
Bidwells (Kate	Each application should be looked on its own	Comment noted and agreed – flexibility and a case-by-case	No change.
Hammond)	merits/disadvantages and not specifically attached to a set	appraisal will always be necessary for any proposed	
	of immovable guidelines.	enabling development scheme	
RSPB (lan	Guidance on enabling development must be clear on the	The process for enabling development will be the same for	No change.
Robinson)	process that needs to be followed to assess the potential	an ordinary planning application. Applications must be	
	impacts. With respect to the environment, the RSPB	submitted with the appropriate evidence and assessments	
	expects that potential impacts will be captured through a	where necessary, which may include Strategic	
	comprehensive Strategic Environmental Assessment and	Environmental Assessments and/or Habitats Regulations	
	Habitats Regulations Assessment. These will assess options	Assessments.	
	and identify predicted impacts for which there is a very		
	clear process for mitigation and/or derogation and		
	compensation where appropriate. Such a project will need		
	to ensure that the Competent Authority that the overall		
	coherence of the Natura 2000 network will be maintained.		
The British Horse	Developers should be provided with a copy of 'GG 142	Comment noted. The SPD will set out the powers bestowed	No change.
Society (Charlotte	Walking, cycling and horse-riding assessment and review' to	upon coastal authorities and our partners that can be used	
Ditchburn)	ensure any infrastructure relating to development	to manage the coast, and coastal management policies and	
	considers all Non-Motorised Users equally. Developers	guidance established in Local Plans and national policy.	

Respondent	Comment	Partnership Response	Changes Made
	should consult the Norfolk Rights of Way Improvement Plan		
	which states: Opportunities for development – To consult		
	with the equestrian/driving community and establish where		
	there are particular opportunities to improve access to		
	create multi-use routes away from roads.' Developers		
	should be aware of the District or Borough Councils		
	guidance on Public Path Orders as the local planning		
	authorities responsible for changes to the Public Rights of		
	Way Network with regards to development.		

9. What case studies should be used in this SPD to demonstrate coastal adaptation best practice?

Respondent	Comment	Partnership Response	Changes Made
Stu Precious	Hopton Beach. The debacle in causing adverse longshore drift that is Great Yarmouth Outer Harbour. Hemsby, Happisburgh.	Comment noted. The Partnership will explore the potential for including the mentioned case study/ies.	Consider this/these case study/ies for inclusion.
unite the union (Robert Riley)	work load	N/A	N/A
Jeffrey Hallett	?	N/A	N/A
Margaret Hallett	No idea what this means either	N/A	N/A
North Norfolk District Council (Harry Blathwayt)	We need to study the best practice of other Low Land areas especially the Benelux countries	Comment noted. The Partnership will explore the potential for including the mentioned case study/ies.	Consider this/these case study/ies for inclusion.
Tessa Aston	Looking at Climate Adaptation Platform, the National Park Service 2015 undertook 24 case studies giving examples of infrastructure and coastal adaptation strategies incorporating climate change, improving public awareness, how to make the infrastructure resilient to climate change. European Climate Adaptation Platform 2018 looked at 10 case studies. NCCARF and CoastAdapt Archive Library - Adaption Good Practice case studies 2017	Comment noted. The Partnership will explore the potential for including the mentioned case study/ies.	Consider this/these case study/ies for inclusion.

Respondent	Comment	Partnership Response	Changes Made
Lindsay Frost	Happisburgh, Norfolk from 2009 Coastal realignment in Essex	Comment noted. The	Consider
		Partnership will explore the	this/these case
		potential for including the	study/ies for
		mentioned case study/ies.	inclusion.
Richard Starling	Who knows !!! Lets us wait for the opportunity for the public to ask questions, find out	When prepared, the	No change.
	information from those responsible ie The Environment Agency.	Partnership will consult on the	
		Draft SPD.	
Norman Castleton	The defensive work in Holland and that Sea Palling and work by the RSPB	Comment noted. The	Consider
		Partnership will explore the	this/these case
		potential for including the	study/ies for
		mentioned case study/ies.	inclusion.
Blue Sky Leisure (Paul	The SPD could use the planning permission granted in the 1990s by North Norfolk District	Comment noted. The	Consider
Timewell)	Council, that permitted the relocation of 42 vulnerable static caravan pitches from the	Partnership will explore the	this/these case
	clifftop at Woodhill Holiday Park, East Runton, to an alternative site in the AONB at Kelling	potential for including the	study/ies for
	Heath Holiday Park. This is a good example of a successful application of the roll back	mentioned case study/ies.	inclusion.
	policy, which has since been successfully implemented and led to the adoption of a		
	positive Local Plan policy to cover this type of development.		
Norfolk County Council	No examples are known to be available from Norfolk CC Lead Local Flood Authority. This	Comment noted. The	Consider Bacton
- Lead Local Flood	aligns the district councils and the EA are responsible for coastal protection. The LLFA will	Partnership will explore the	case study.
Authority (Sarah Luff)	appreciate that any roll back may involve flooding to Norfolk. We are aware of the Bacton	opportunity of including the	
	Sandscape Project is an example that NNDC were leading on and received funding for. We	mentioned case study.	
	are aware that the managed re-alignment or roll back of the coast will have an impact on		
	the infrastructure that the County Council are responsible for e.g. the Coast Road.		
	Therefore, any such policies should take account of this.		
Felixstowe Town	In regard to safety in HTL areas, 2 cases demonstrate options: i) Martello Park Felixstowe	Comment noted. The	Consider
Council (Ash Tadjrishi)	ii) Adastral Close Felixstowe (Orwell Housing Assn)	Partnership will explore the	this/these case
		potential for including the	study/ies for
		mentioned case study/ies.	inclusion.
J E Blanchflower	Minsmere RSPB Reserve which is of international importance as a wildlife/ornithological	Comment noted. The	Consider
	habitat and has an unspoiled, undeveloped interface with the sea. The Lowestoft Action	Partnership will explore the	this/these case
	Zone includes some imaginative ideas for re-development of the Denes area which was a	potential for including the	study/ies for
	former fishing hamlet (The Grit) and industrial site. The open spaces/net drying areas will remain for leisure and historical importance.	mentioned case study/ies.	inclusion.

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Lowestoft Cruising Club	Any case studies that are relevant to the type of coastline covered by the Coastal	Comment noted.	No change.
(David Bennett)	Adaption SPD.		
Andrew McDonald	No comment	N/A	N/A
Peter Terrington	Community instigated flood defence scheme at Waldringfield.	Comment noted. The	Consider
		Partnership will explore the	this/these case
		potential for including the	study/ies for
		mentioned case study/ies.	inclusion.
SCEG - Scratby and	Ones quoted by the EA for example, the kit house presentation, The relocation of caravan	Comment noted. The	Consider
California Environment	site at Happisburgh.	Partnership will explore the	this/these case
Group (Lodge)		potential for including the	study/ies for
		mentioned case study/ies.	inclusion.
Southwold Town	No Comment	N/A	N/A
Council (Lesley Beevor)			
Water Management	Aldhurst Farm Leiston wetland creation scheme? whilst compensation for Sizewell C akin	Comment noted. The	Consider
Alliance (Jessica Nobbs)	to what would be required to enable migration of habitats and species.	Partnership will explore the	this/these case
		potential for including the	study/ies for
5.1.5.	N. C.	mentioned case study/ies.	inclusion.
Deben Estuary	No Comment	N/A	N/A
Partnership (Christine			
Block)	No Comment	N/A	N/A
Anglian Water Services Ltd (Stewart Patience)	No Comment	N/A	IN/A
Barton Willmore (Will	There are a large number of offshore wind farms in the UK that have been successfully	Comment noted. The	Consider
Spencer)	delivered without significant adverse effects on coastal processes and/or coastal	Partnership will explore the	this/these case
Spericer)	management. NFOWF Ltd would welcome the opportunity to discuss these with the	potential for including the	study/ies for
	Councils as a means of identifying one or more examples as coastal adaptation best	mentioned case study/ies.	inclusion.
	practice. We trust you will find the above comments helpful in preparing the proposed	mentioned case study/les.	inclusion.
	SPD and we look forward to the draft version being issued for consultation. NFOWF Ltd		
	would be happy to meet to discuss the SPD in more detail should that be considered		
	useful.		
Bidwells (Kate	No Comment	N/A	N/A
Hammond)			

Respondent	Comment	Partnership Response	Changes Made
RSPB (Ian Robinson)	The RSPB has developed a range of expertise in managing coastal change projects and	Comment noted. The	Consider
	consider that the lessons learnt would be valuable for informing appropriate options on	Partnership will explore the	this/these case
	the Norfolk and Suffolk coast and further afield. Much of this experience has been gained	potential for including the	study/ies for
	through close working with the Environment Agency in relation to adapting coastal	mentioned case study/ies.	inclusion.
	management and as part of their Habitat Creation Programme. Such projects include:		
	Titchwell; Minsmere North Marsh; Dingle Marshes; Wallasea; Medmerry; plus, many		
	projects overseas working with Birdlife partners and country Governments. We also have		
	a range of advisory material that may be helpful to determine appropriate options based		
	on the ecological requirements for a suite of species and habitats, including: Wet		
	Grassland and Reedbed guides and our contribution within the Fen Management		
	Handbook The principle must be to always operate at a landscape scale employing the		
	Lawton principle – bigger, better, more connected; making best use of opportunities for		
	net gain and creating a more equitable balance between nature and agriculture and		
	business. Equally the benefits of saltmarsh as one of the better habitats capable of		
	sequestering carbon should not be underestimated, but not used as a measure or		
	justification for allowing coastal change. This creates an opportunity to apply net gain		
	principles in creating a new habitat, whilst at the same time relocating existing freshwater		
	habitats and landscapes with better integrated land management to safe locations inland.		

10. Do you have any other comments which could help the partnership prepare the Supplementary Planning Document?

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Stu Precious	GO and do your homework. Not at all impressed. Bring a workable proposal, not a pen pushing box ticking	The initial	No change.
	exercise.	consultation gave	
		respondents the	
		opportunity to	
		influence the	
		content of the	
		SPD. After taking	
		account of	
		consultation	
		responses the	

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		Authorities will	
		prepare and	
		consult on the	
		draft SPD.	
Paul Johnson	The document is totally unsuitable for a public consultation as it lacks any attempt to make the content readable	It is inevitable that	Technical
	by people unskilled in coastal management. The aim of any public consultation is to present information in a	the consultation	language has
	manner that it is understandable. My background is education - Post 16, and I'm shocked at the document you	document (a	been used
	are asking ordinary individuals to comment on. I can only assume that the intention is to NOT receive comment.	scoping	sparingly
	The document is totally unsuitable for presentation to non-specialists. Run it through Flesch Reading Ease and	document,	throughout the
	Flesch-Kincaide Grade Level formulas and it's clear comments will be detached and probably irrelevant. Clearly	focusing on the	draft SPD, and
	the questions in this survey are designed to ensure only experts answer as the questions are I'm possible for	proposed areas of	a glossary has
	laymen to answer. I've very disappointed, but I appear ill qualified to comment on these questions - a very	content, rather	been provided
	unsatisfactory arrangement.	than the content	to help explain
		itself) was	technical
		somewhat	terms.
		technical, given its	
		subject area and	
		the nature of	
		SPDs. However,	
		the Partnership	
		will endeavour to	
		ensure that the	
		draft SPD will be	
		easily	
		understandable to	
		the lay reader and	
		endeavour to	
		keep the use of	
		jargon to a	
		minimum, with a	
		glossary to explain	

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		more technical	
		terms.	
Janet Huckle	I hope that the partnership is able to work together to preserve and maintain our beautiful coastline for the	The draft SPD	No change.
	future.	seeks to strike the	
		right balance	
		between guidance	
		in support of the	
		effective	
		management of	
		the coast, and the	
		application of	
		planning policies	
		for coastal	
		adaptation,	
		whether that be	
		concerning	
		development or	
		the natural	
		environment.	
unite the	To get out and meet people at there front of there houses, to engage with people at all local levels. the people	Unfortunately,	No change.
union (Robert	of Lowestoft are ,not happy with the INFRASTRUCTURE of the town of Lowestoft . THE PEOLE of Lowestoft ALL	Covid-19 reduced	
Riley)	THINK that you have forgotten them .	the ability to	
		engage with	
		communities in a	
		face to face	
		manner through	
		the initial	
		consultation.	
		However, there	
		has been a good	
		response to the	
		initial	

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		consultation, as	
		with other recent	
		consultations.	
Jeffrey Hallett	Residents and parish councils in the western half of Coastal Authorities must be included in the consultations.	The initial	No change.
	Their occupations, shopping, or recreations will often include the shoreline areas.	consultation on	
		the SPD was sent	
		via email and/or	
		letter to all	
		individuals and	
		organisations on	
		the Partnership	
		Authorities'	
		mailing lists, and	
		all town and	
		parish councils.	
		Furthermore, the	
		consultation was	
		open to the public	
		and therefore	
		anyone could	
		have responded	
		to the initial	
		consultation.	
Margaret	It is important that it is understood that the coastal area is very important to many locals who may live 20 miles	The initial	No change.
Hallett	from the coast but use the area frequently for work, shops, recreation and entertainment so that the	consultation on	
	partnership should not be restricted to those from parishes who have a shoreline!	the SPD was sent	
		via email and/or	
		letter to all	
		individuals and	
		organisations on	
		the Partnership	
		Authorities'	

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		mailing lists, and	
		all town and	
		parish councils.	
		Furthermore, the	
		consultation was	
		open to the public	
		and therefore	
		anyone could	
		have responded	
		to the initial	
		consultation.	
North Norfolk	Only that I am concerned that the area I represent is very vulnerable and will be affected greatly by any	The SPD will not	No change.
District Council	decisions or recommendations of this body.	make	
(Harry		recommendations	
Blathwayt)		or policy	
		concerning the	
		coast and	
		development at or	
		near to the coast	
		Comment. It will	
		instead provide	
		guidance for the	
		application of	
		coastal adaptation	
		planning policies.	
Keith Phair	I am aware that the various coastal defences in the area are owned by various bodies and the responsibility for	Various	Set out the
	repair and maintenance therefore falls on a range of public and private organisations. It would be highly helpful	organisations	roles and
	if these could be mapped and responsibility clearly delineated, so that those organisations and the public have a	have roles and	responsibilities
	clear understanding of ownership and responsibility. For example, my understanding is that parts of the prom at	responsibilities in	of key
	Felixstowe are the responsibility of the District Council and other parts are the responsibility of the County	relation to	organisations
	Council and other bodies.	buildings,	along the
		infrastructure and	coast.

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		the environment	
		along the coast.	
		The draft SPD will	
		set out the roles	
		and	
		responsibilities of	
		some of the key	
		organisations on	
		the coast.	
Tessa Aston	Be guided by what is best for this beautiful area of Suffolk not in monetary value but in consideration of what	The SPD will	No change.
	works right now.	provide guidance	
		relating to a	
		number of	
		different	
		considerations	
		that need to be	
		made in decision	
		making, including	
		but not limited to	
		the preservation	
		of the historic and	
		natural	
		environments	
		along the coast.	
Gaius Hawes	1. It seems that the intention here is to create an across the board information and legislation info without any	When adopted,	No change.
	clout. So just informative which although good in one respect. It seems that each authority will do just as it	the SPD will be a	
	wishes. 2. Is it financially viable to have such an organisation that works with varied authorities that have varying	material	
	degrees of interest. 3. In the past Suffolk Council has made statements about building distances between planed	consideration and	
	structures and the sea wall here in Lowestoft. Only for the local authority at the time to overrule what has been	carry weight in	
	published. What are the chances of one area seeing the benefit and there to be realistic control. 4. It is apparent	the determination	
	that the Port Authority here has more clout than many appreciate. By closing of roads that have been used by	of planning	
	the public for many years. Or even the South Pier. So will the power of Felixstowe lead to unbalanced approach	applications.	

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	once this is up and running. As money speaks. 5. How often will the body meet to discuss and how will it be		
	managed let alone funded. 6. Although communication should be increased through this I just wonder if it will	The Partnership	
	be used to be abused.	preparing the SPD	
		includes East	
		Suffolk Council,	
		Great Yarmouth	
		Borough Council,	
		The Broads	
		Authority, North	
		Norfolk District	
		Council, and the	
		Costal Partnership	
		East Team. The	
		Partnership is	
		therefore	
		operated by	
		officers from each	
		Local Planning	
		Authority and	
		funded by the	
		authorities	
		involved.	
Lindsay Frost	Must include adaptations to climate change and isostatic readjustment	The SPD realises	No change.
		that coastal	
		change Is	
		inherently linked	
		to climate change,	
		and it is through	
		Local Plan	
		policies, SMPs and	

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		Environment	
		Agency advice on	
		sea-level rise rates	
		etc that these	
		factors are taken	
		into account.	
Michael Castle	1. I accept the premise for a whole coast strategy whilst needing to point out that GT YARMOUTH town stands	The SPD cannot	No change.
	out as an exception in that - like HULL further up the coast - it is a densely populated settlement with port and	alter the approach	
	industrial infrastructure that needs to be defended by engineering solutions. To that extent it differs from the	to the	
	bulk of the coastline between the Orwell and the Wash. The BACTON inter-connector gas pipeline is another	management of	
	location where engineering may be the preferred approach. 2. Roll-back and relocation are considerations for	the coast as this is	
	coastal villages further North in the Borough - for example WINTERTON, SCRATBY and HEMSBY - although the	the role of	
	latter's holiday industry is a complicating factor to such an approach. 3. In the case of the town area of GT	Shoreline	
	YARMOUTH itself it will be important to show that difference in terms of the long-term strategy and	Management	
	acknowledge the ongoing large Environment Agency investment in River Defences along the Yare and Bure to	Plans (SMPs).	
	bring those up to 1:200 year standard and to acknowledge the strategic regeneration development sites on	However, the	
	Yarmouth river frontages.	different nature	
		of the whole coast	
		is, of course,	
		recognised, both	
		in SMPs and Local	
		Plans. The SPD	
		will provide	
		helpful guidance,	
		but it will not be a	
		'one-size-fits-all'	
		approach.	
Richard	I suppose you have to find something to do but please just wait until we have information and facts from the	This SPD and the	No change.
Starling	Environment Agency. There is no urgency to complete a Supplementary Planning Document.	Broadland Futures	
		Initiative (BFI)	
		operate within	
		the same topic	

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		area, that of	
		coastal change.	
		However, the SPD	
		is very much	
		focussed on	
		providing	
		guidance relating	
		to the	
		implementation	
		of planning	
		policies, whereas	
		the BFI is looking	
		to inform the	
		overarching flood	
		risk management	
		strategy for the	
		next 100 years	
		over a much	
		wider area. The	
		SPD and BFI can	
		complement each	
		other, and the	
		SPD need not be	
		restricted by the	
		timings of the BFI.	
Great	I can confirm that Great Yarmouth Borough Council's Environmental Services supports the proposed Coastal	Support noted.	No change.
Yarmouth	Adaptation Supplementary Planning Document, and has no detailed comments to make.		
Borough			
Council			
(Environmenta			
l Services)			
(David Addy)			

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Robert Wynn and Sons (Tim ownst) as a bound and sons (Tim ownst) as a bound and so a control ownst (Tim ownst	We read with interest the Coastal Adaptation Supplementary Planning Initial Consultation Document, which sets out the purpose and planned scope for your document. We would very much support your whole coast approach taken by yourselves. We would wish to highlight that there are power generation and transmission sites earmarked for development within your region that will require the movement of large and heavy abnormal indivisible loads. Due to the size and weight of transformers, generators etc project developers should be encouraged to limit the road mileage travelled by such loads. Such sites would include Sizewell C and the onshore connections for the many offshore windfarms planned in your region. Planning guidance should not be a barrier, more so should facilitate the opportunities for beach landing suitable craft for the delivery of the largest and heaviest abnormal indivisible loads. Subject to achieving a marine licence via the Marine Management Organisation and permissions from landowner (Crown Estate & Local Authority) beach landings can and have been used to significantly reduce the road mileage travelled by the largest abnormal loads. We would be happy to input when appropriate to the development of further guidance on coastal development and attach a few images of beach landings where either no infrastructure was required or where temporary infrastructure was created and then removed.	•	No change.

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		2008. In such circumstances, the draft SPD would not be relevant.	
Martlesham Sea Wall Group (Thomas O'Brien)	I live in Martlesham Heath, just East of Ipswich. Its an area planned for immense growth. So a group of us has come together to try and increase foot access along the river Deben. (Martlesham River Wall Group). In particular we would like to see Martlesham Creek linked with Waldringfield. A public footpath exists but the sea wall has been broken at one point making the path unpassable. Currently Natural England are supporting the English Coast Path along the river Deben. Which includes forming a footpath from Martlesham Creek to Waldringfield. Discusions are under way to create this. Your plan should stipulate the importance of the England Coast Path and its value to the public. As well as this, at the last general election, two political parties supported the idea of a Suffolk Coast National Park. An idea could be to expand the Broads National Park to include Suffolk Coast. (Save on administration). I think your report could suggest the idea of a Norfolk and Suffolk National Park. Some bodies can have an overly negative attitude to public access. In particular the conservation groups are developing a 'landowner' mentality. Taking claim to wide stretches of the coast and estuaries assuming it belongs to them, preventing public 'disturbance' but nevertheless turn up whenever they wish in 4 wheel drive vehicles and trample everywhere looking for rare plants and insects. Also introducing animals such as Exmoor ponies which means widespread fencing which in turn inhibit public access. But the fact remains places like Martlesham are growing considerably. Its only fair to the inhabitants of these new towns to provide access to the outdoors. The two issues of planning for new dwellings and protecting our coast should not be two separate issues. If new dwellings are planned near the coast then inevitabably the public will seek to enjoy the outdoors. We cannot just put a barbed wire fence around new communities. Some thought can be put to shielding footpaths with fences, and regular bird hides so that the wildlife can b	The SPD will not propose works or development within the SPD area, however the guidance provided within the SPD may be of relevance to such works or development. The SPD will primarily focus on providing guidance relating coastal planning policies, however public access to our coast and estuaries is of great importance and will be an important consideration in the application of	No change.

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		coastal planning	
		policies.	
Michael	East Norfolk and North East Suffolk Our coastlines are under threat from the sea and from the landward side.	The SPD cannot	No change.
Powles	Eventual inundation of coastal areas from the sea as a result of global warming is now a given. Melting glaciers	alter the approach	
	and disintegrating polar ice caps are visible, measurable and credible. It is not a question of if, but when, we shall	to the	
	be overwhelmed by the sea and/or rivers backing up. The town of Great Yarmouth and much of the rest of the	management of	
	borough is surrounded by water and marshes. The latter are mostly at or below existing sea level. Gt. Yarmouth	the coast as this is	
	and parts of Lowestoft are already highly vulnerable to flooding from sea and rivers. If the sea defences are	the role of	
	breached salt water could travel long distances inland and flood places like Hickling, Potterheim, areas around	Shoreline	
	Acle and all along the river courses and through the Broads. Volatile shore lines still come and go but long term	Management	
	residents are clear that the overall trend is for the shoreline to retreat inland where not defended. From the	Plans (SMPs). Nor	
	landward side the coastline is vulnerable as a result of excessive development over many years, leading to ever	can the SPD	
	increasing levels of human footfall and leisure activities. The trend to seek out natural undeveloped coastline for	create new or	
	recreation as opposed to the pre-war habit of holidaying in recognised and organised tourist centres such as,	amend existing	
	Cromer, Gt. Yarmouth, Lowestoft, Southwold and Felixstowe, has given way to holidaying in venues closer to	planning policies	
	nature. Such natural venues are increasingly unable to safely meet demand. With almost universal ownership of	as this is the role	
	the motor car; narrow rural roads, coastal public open spaces and small end of the road fishing villages are being	of the	
	regularly overwhelmed by tourists. Increasing holiday accommodation and other infrastructure, such as parking	Development Plan	
	lots, designed to meet demand is simply increasing the problem. Important wildlife areas such as Minsmere,	and National	
	Winterton-Horsey Dunes SAC and Cley, to mention but a few, are under unsustainable threat. Much of the	Policy.	
	Broads National Park is vulnerable to salt water incursion. The Northern parishes of Great Yarmouth , which are		
	jammed between the river Bure and the North Sea, are filling up with new houses at an alarming rate – leading	The SPD will,	
	to ever more human (and canine) footfall on protected areas and vulnerable coastline. Everybody who would	however, provide	
	like to live in the area cannot be accommodated by trying to fit a barrel into an egg cup. RECOMMENDATIONS	guidance relating	
	Protect essential communications infrastructure from unmanageable pressure, such as the only road connecting	to the	
	the northern parishes of Great Yarmouth to the rest of the borough south of Caister; Limit access to specially	implementation	
	protected areas; Put wild life requirements before commercial profits; Prevent all development in areas	of costal	
	susceptible to flooding or being cut off and encircled by water; (This could be up to 10 miles from the sea, or	adaptation	
	even more in some places) . Provide large green public spaces, well behind the immediate shoreline, and closer	planning policies.	
	to major developments and conurbations, to help take the pressure off the shorelines and protected coastal		
	conservation and wildlife areas. Limit parking in or near to vulnerable and sensitive areas and critical natural sea		
	defences.		

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The British	I am writing on behalf of the British Horse Society (BHS) a membership charity with over 112,000 members	The first part of	No change
Horse Society	representing the UK's 3 million regular riders and carriage drivers, in response to the current consultation on the	the respondent's	
(Charlotte	Fareham Borough Local Plan. The BHS is the largest and most influential equestrian charity in the country,	comments relate	
Ditchburn)	working to improve the lives of horses and their owners through its four core foundations of education, welfare,	to the Fareham	
	safety and access. 1. BACKGROUND TO OUR COMMENTS Nationally, it is estimated that there are 3.5 million	Borough Local	
	people in the UK who ride or who drive a horse-drawn carriage. Hampshire has among the highest densities of	Plan consultation,	
	horse ownership in the country (source: former National Equine Database). We estimate that 220,000-270,000	which is of course	
	are employed in equine industries and the equine industry is estimated to be contributing at least £7 billion each	not relevant to	
	year to the local economy, mainly through goods and services supplied by small businesses such as feed	the SPD.	
	merchants, vets, farriers, trainers, saddlers, etc. Road Safety is a particular concern to equestrians, who are		
	among the most vulnerable road users. Between November 2010 and March 2019, the BHS received reports of	The SPD cannot	
	3,737 road incidents, in which 315 horses and 43 people were killed. Research indicates however that only 1 in	create or amend	
	10 incidents are being reported to the BHS; in 2016-17 alone, 3,863 horse riders and carriage drivers in England	planning policies	
	and Wales were admitted to hospital after being injured in transport accidents. (NHS Hospital Episodes	as this is the role	
	Statistics). The BHS actively campaigns to improve road safety by making motorists aware of what to do when	for the	
	they encounter horses on the road (see https://www.bhs.org.uk/our-work/safety/dead-slow – we recommend	Development	
	taking a few minutes to watch the 'Dead Slow' virtual reality film for an impression of how vulnerable	Plan, nor can it	
	equestrians are in proximity to cars and lorries). Because of the difficulties that equestrians encounter on roads,	create or amend	
	they avoid using them wherever possible. Road use is often unavoidable, however it is simply because people	policies for the	
	have nowhere else to exercise their horses. The main off-road access available to them is the network of Rights	management of	
	of Way (RoW). England and Wales have over 140,000 miles of RoW, but only 22% of this network is available for	coast, as this is	
	horse riders (who may only use routes designated as Bridleways and Byways) and a mere 5% to carriage drivers	the role of	
	(who only have access to Byways). An additional factor is that the network is fragmented, and roads are often	Shoreline	
	the only available links between one RoW and the next. 2. COASTAL ADAPTATION SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING	Management	
	DOCUMENT INITIAL CONSULTATION a. Are there any elements of National or Local Planning Policy which should	Plans. The SPD	
	be particularly emphasised/explained in the SPD? Yes b. What guidance for development in the Coastal Change	can provide	
	Management Area should be identified in the SPD? Guidance for development in the Coastal Change	guidance to help	
	Management Area should include guidance regarding access, including the BHS leaflet for developers and	implement coastal	
	planners enclosed with this letter. A document such as the 'Equestrians in Hampshire – a reference guide for	adaptation	
	Transport, Planners, Developers and other decision makers' mentioned below should be developed for each	planning policies.	
	county and used for Norfolk and Suffolk. At very minimum developers should be aware of their duties regarding	Where relevant to	
	'Public Rights of Way affected by coastal and estuarine change or management' provided by Suffolk County	the	

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	Council at: https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/public-rights-of-way-in-suffolk/rights-and-	implementation	
	responsibilities/public-rights-of-way-affected-by-coastal-and-estuarine-change-or-management/ c. Are the	of coastal	
	categories identified in section 3 appropriate and comprehensive or should others be identified? The 3	adaptation	
	categories are appropriate. d. What guidance on temporary development within the Coastal Change	planning policies	
	Management Area should be included? The same guidance should be provided for temporary development as	guidance relating	
	that for permanent development in the Coastal Change Management Area. e. What guidance on Roll-back and	to access along	
	relocation options should be included? Developers should be provided with information about diverting Public	the coast will be	
	Rights of Way provided by Norfolk County Council at: https://www.norfolk.gov.uk/out-and-about-in-	included within	
	norfolk/public-rights-of-way/public-path	the SPD, including	
	orders#:~:text=The%20Council%20has%20a%20power,Bridleways%20or%20Restricted%20Byways%20respectiv	as related to the	
	ely. And by Suffolk County Council at: https://www.suffolk.gov.uk/roads-and-transport/public-rights-of-way-in-	rollback and	
	suffolk/public-rights-of-way-and-planning//http://www.suffolkpublicrightsofway.org.uk/home/making-	relocation of	
	changes-to-the-public-rights-of-way-network/ f. What guidance on enabling development should be included?	development.	
	Developers should be provided with a copy of 'GG 142 Walking, cycling and horse-riding assessment and review'		
	to ensure any infrastructure relating to development considers all Non-Motorised Users equally. Developers		
	should consult the Norfolk Rights of Way Improvement Plan which states: Opportunities for development – To		
	consult with the equestrian/driving community and establish where there are particular opportunities to		
	improve access to create multi-use routes away from roads.' Developers should be aware of the District or		
	Borough Councils guidance on Public Path Orders as the local planning authorities responsible for changes to the		
	Public Rights of Way Network with regards to development. 3. OTHER COMMENTS Within Norfolk and Suffolk,		
	there is a both a demonstrable demand for safe access for equestrians and a documented lack of provision. The		
	issues identified in the Norfolk Access Improvement Plan 2019-2029 which states 'The network of bridleways,		
	restricted byways, byways open to all traffic and unclassified country roads (UCRs) across Norfolk is sparse and		
	scattered with a minimal number of joined up circular routes'. We hope that the Coastal Adaptation		
	Supplementary Planning Document will take the opportunity to address the disjointed nature of Norfolk and		
	Suffolk's Right of Way network and should include: a. Recognition of equestrians as vulnerable road users		
	Historically, pedestrians and cyclists have been considered as the main vulnerable road users. Equestrians are		
	however increasingly recognised as being part of this group: during the Parliamentary Debate on Road Safety in		
	November 2018 Jesse Norman, Under Secretary of State for Transport, stated that "We should be clear that the		
	cycling and walking strategy may have that name but is absolutely targeted at vulnerable road users, including		
	horse-riders." We therefore ask that the Coastal Adaptation Supplementary Planning Document includes Norfolk		
	and Suffolk's equestrians as vulnerable road users, to ensure that their needs are considered equally alongside		

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	those of pedestrians and cyclists. b. Equestrians to be included in any shared-use routes, wherever possible in		
	order to maximise opportunities within development to help provide more off-road links for equestrians, where		
	shared-use routes are created for active travel as a part of any development, planning policy should support the		
	automatic inclusion of horse riders on shared off-road routes, unless there are specific reasons why this is not		
	possible. Conflict with cyclists is sometimes given as a reason for excluding horses from shared routes, but this		
	rarely has anything to do with either the horse or the bicycle, simply the inconsiderate person who happens to		
	be riding one or the other. Horse riders and cyclists as two vulnerable road user groups have more in common		
	with each other than differences. This is illustrated by the work that the BHS are doing in partnership with		
	Cycling UK in the current 'Be Nice, Say Hi!' campaign and with Sustrans in their 'Paths for Everyone' initiative.		
	The key to a successful shared route is the design: for example, rather than positioning a cycle path down the		
	centre of a route with verges either side, the cycle path should be positioned to one side and the two verges		
	combined to provide a soft surface for walkers, runners and horses on the other. (This also addresses the issue		
	of horse droppings which, as research has confirmed, represent no danger to health and disperse quickly,		
	particularly on unsurfaced paths.) 4. CONCLUSION Horse riding is a year-round activity which (along with		
	associated activities such as mucking out and pasture maintenance) expends sufficient energy to be classed as		
	moderate intensity exercise. The majority of those who ride regularly are women, and a significant proportion of		
	riders are over 45. For some older or disabled people, being on horseback or in a horse-drawn carriage gives		
	them access to the countryside and a freedom of movement that they would not otherwise be able to achieve.		
	There are also considerable psychological and social benefits from equestrian activities, as the BHS is		
	demonstrating through the Changing Lives through Horses initiative. Equestrianism is a popular activity in both		
	of the counties of Norfolk and Suffolk, and one which contributes significantly to the local economy. The		
	equestrian community in Norfolk and Suffolk currently have many difficulties in finding safe access within the		
	area, mainly as a result of past development. Many of these issues could be addressed and resolved through		
	good planning of future development. We hope therefore that the Coastal Supplementary Planning Document		
	will include policies that will support this.		
Norman	The routes to obtaining the necessary finance.	The draft SPD	Identify
Castleton		provides some	potential
		guidance relating	funding
		to funding	mechanisms
		development	for the
		and/or coastal	implementatio
		management	n of coastal

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		measures.	adaptation
		However, the	planning
		purpose of the	policies
		SPD is not to	
		provide financial	
		assistance but to	
		aide the	
		implementation	
		of coastal	
		adaptation	
		planning policies.	
Bungay Town	A ring main system would be preferable to one-to-one windfarm access to the shoreline. Coastal management is	The SPD cannot	No change.
Council	another issue and any changes in the sea will have an effect at some point along the coastline. Any coastal	create or amend	
(Jeremy	management subsequently required should also be funded by Central Government.	planning policies	
Burton)		as this is the role	
		for the	
		Development	
		Plan, nor can it	
		create or amend	
		policies for the	
		management of	
		coast, as this is	
		the role of	
		Shoreline	
		Management	
		Plans. The SPD	
		can provide	
		guidance to help	
		implement coastal	
		adaptation	
		planning policies.	

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Norfolk	Green Infrastructure and establishing measurable biodiversity net gain should be a fundamental part of	The SPD will set	No change.
County Council	development proposals/asset relocation (not an after-thought). There is potential for creating new habitats	out the affects	
- Natural	which benefit both Norfolk's biodiversity and recreation. Green roofs will help mitigate the effects of climate	that coastal	
Environment	change for example by reducing the carbon footprint of buildings.	processes and	
Team		policies can have	
(Catherine		on the natural	
Dew)		environment. The	
		SPD will provide	
		guidance for	
		biodiversity and	
		the natural	
		environment	
		where relevant to	
		the	
		implementation	
		of coastal	
		planning policies,	
		however it cannot	
		create or amend	
		planning policies	
		as this is the role	
		of the	
		Development	
		Plan.	
Norfolk Police	Having examined this on the portal link provided, Norfolk Police will not be commenting at this stage but look	Comment noted.	No change.
(Penny Turner)	forward to more input on the forthcoming draft document.		
Blue Sky	Together with Glyn Davies, of Glyn Davies Planning, we advise Blue Sky Leisure (BSL) in respect of planning	Support and	No change.
Leisure (Paul	matters on a number of sites in the Company's control, including an established Caravan and Camping site on	comment noted.	
Timewell)	the cliff top at Woodhill Park, East Runton, nr Cromer - in the North Norfolk District Council area. We appreciate	The rollback	
	that the SPD is still in its early stages and this current consultation is more about its suggested content, but we	development	
	are pleased to have the opportunity to get involved and help shape the document. Over the years together with	mentioned forms	
	BSL, we have developed considerable knowledge and experience in working with North Norfolk District Council	part of the case	

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	to develop Local Plan policies dealing with coastal adaption The Company has also successfully implemented the Council's Local Plan 'roll back' policy to relocate vulnerable cliff top caravan pitches at Woodhill to an inland location. More recently, we are presently engaging with North Norfolk Council Officers, concerning the latest impact of cliff erosion on Woodhill's operations and discussing how best to deal with these impacts. Consequently, we are very interested in the emerging SPD. BSL would be happy to share advice, its experience and knowledge dealing with the impacts of coastal erosion on its business, and how issues have been overcome in the past and potential opportunities for over coming issues in the future. Please do contact me in the first instance should this be of interest.	studies appended to the draft SPD.	
Nigel Doyle	Further to the consultation that you are currently undertaken, please find attached a copy of a Chief Officer's note on the subject recently produced, following consultation, in Cornwall. The topics in it seem equally relevant to East Anglia and hopefully it will assist. Attachment: https://eastsuffolk.inconsult.uk/gf2.ti/af/1172354/300644/PDF/-/final-chief-planning-officer-note-planning-for-coastal-change-march-2020.pdf	The content of Cornwall Council's planning note on coastal change from March 2020 addresses coastal adaptation planning policy from the Cornwall Local Plan, relevant Shoreline Management Plans and while the policies are different to those set out in the SPD area some of the context is relevant, particularly in relation to national policy, guidance and legislation.	No change.

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Norfolk Coast Partnership (Gemma Clark)	Some general comments include:- How the Heritage Coast designation is included as part of the safeguarding of the coast Tools such as LCA and LVIA's and their importance in addressing landscape impact. The role of AONB's both in protecting our coast and through working in partnership finding opportunities for enhancement that benefits landscape, biodiversity and people.	The draft SPD provides guidance relating to coastal adaptation planning policies and the impact of the implementation of such policies on environmental designations, to avoid harm and ensure appropriate mitigation where necessary.	No change.
Norfolk County Council - Lead Local Flood Authority (Sarah Luff)	Please ensure reference to the LLFA Guidance document and its contents is included. This document and the principles within it should be promoted as widely as possible as it addresses a large amount of general questions about the LLFA requirements and the LLFA review process. An update of this document is currently being prepared and should be published by the end of the year. We can confirm that at present the requirement for consents to works on ordinary watercourses and for any work that will impede the flow would remain. Furthermore, we recommend that consideration of any local flooding records are made and reflected in any site development proposals.	The draft SPD provides guidance on the implementation of coastal adaptation planning policies. However, the draft SPD also sets out the roles of responsibilities of organisations operating and managing on the coast.	No change.

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Town Council (Ash Tadjrishi) and landward extent of the CCMAs' 30m zone. The scales appropriate to the area involved: in built up extends part of the concept from the CCMA to defin future maintenance access is not inhibited, and who to be provided in planning applications. The SPD shother implications clearly. Similarly, "coastal maps" for designations, at scales appropriate to the type of lot EA Flood Zone mapping, or software can be utilised frontages. In coming decades seafront infrastructure their immediate hinterlands (e.g. in Felixstowe the structures will be needed to protect the usability of new thinking. While this is hopefully some decades facilities should be aware of these future issues. In promenade will need to be replaced with wave—resigneral phrasing, or by locally specific sections, the Felixstowe. In South Felixstowe we have a situation are two scenarios which the SPD should include in today, generate tides a further metre above previon time. In that event flooding in the Langer Road area severe event, the possibility should be accounted for severe wave action, or by an operational failure if the including the eventuality that severe weather could gates. With the current recent change to EA Flood of Flood Zone 2, apparently because the mapping omials on the Golf course frontage. Hopefully that will should reinforce NPPF advice that developments in development. That should encompass no sleeping and the severe wave action and the developments in development. That should encompass no sleeping and the development.	rand essential, including but not limited to: Precise seaward mapping ion the LP is in adequate. This should be done at areas large scales are essential. For HTL areas, the new LP does not contain new maps of existing metrics set out in shoreline an area of typically 30m from current defences to ensure ere appropriate to require Erosion Vulnerability Statements ould map those areas at large scale so that all parties can see or individual areas should clearly incorporate the SMP cation. They should also contain easily used links the current defences and space of current assets, possibly glass flood walls, or other wholly away, current maintenance and development of resort particular the decorative walls to the rear of Felixstowe istant structures, possibly within a decade. Whether by see issues should be outlined. C) Flood risk in South with a very low risk of a very severe flood event. i.e. there planning advice: i) A very exceptional tidal event could, even us events, and that will become progressively more likely over a could be a metre more severe than in 1953. ii) Even in a less or that the existing defences could fail, either by damage from the flood gates were not close for some unforeseen reason, alimpede access to the town for Norse / EA staff to close the mapping, the area has been reduced from Flood Zone 3 to tted the presence of defences along the frontage, as indeed the preversed – it is under investigation. However, the SPD Management	No change.

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		of coastal	
		planning policies	
		within both the	
		Local Plans and	
		National Policy	
		but cannot create	
		new, or alter	
		existing, policy.	
		Guidance is	
		provided on the	
		preparation of	
		Coastal Erosion	
		Vulnerability	
		Assessments to	
		ensure	
		development	
		proposals are safe	
		over their planned	
		lifetime.	
JE	The coast from Holkham to Felixstowe is one of East Anglia's most important assets in terms of the natural	The draft SPD sets	No change.
Blanchflower	beauty of the sections where there is little or- no development. It is important that these sections are preserved	out the impacts	
	and natural processes are allowed to take place. Failure to respect this will result in overdevelopment such as	that coastal	
	along the south coast. 'Public realm infrastructure' [I think I understand what the jargon implies] has already had	processes and	
	a substantial impact (Felixstowe Docks, Sizewell A & B, Bacton Gas installation, numerous caravan parks in the	policies can have	
	Lowestoft/Gt Yarmouth area to name a few) and should not expand further into natural habitats.	on the natural	
		environment and	
		provides guidance	
		in relation to the	
		avoidance of	
		harm to the	

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		special qualities of	
		environmental	
		designations.	
		The SPD cannot	
		alter the approach	
		to the	
		management of	
		the coast as this is	
		the role of	
		Shoreline	
		Management	
		Plans (SMPs). Nor	
		can the SPD	
		create new or	
		amend existing	
		planning policies	
		as this is the role	
		of the	
		Development Plan	
		and National	
		Policy.	
Lowestoft	The Lowestoft Cruising Club (LCC) is located at the western end of Lake Lothing. Our activities encompass	The Partnership	No change
Cruising Club	cruising local and more extensive waters in sailing and small motor vessels. Our site is subject to flooding during	has considered	
(David	tidal surges. We therefore fully support the Lowestoft Flood Risk Management Project which is shortly to be	these points, but	
Bennett)	undertaken with raised sea walls and a flood barrier just east of the current bascule bridge. This should alleviate	considers in	
	flooding in Lake Lothing and at the LCC site. The maintenance of an operational port of Lowestoft, which is	general that they	
	owned and operated by ABP, is essential to LCC activities. We have been involved in the Planning Inquiry and	relate more to	
	discussions with Suffolk County Council (SCC) on the construction of the Gull Wing third crossing of Lake Lothing.	flood risk than	
	There are potential adverse impacts on the activities of all vessels operating from the western end of Lake	coastal erosion.	
	Lothing. There are extensive plans for redeployment of land surrounding Lake Lothing. It is essential that the	The flood risk and	
	Coastal Adaption SPD provides guidance on such coastal developments and the consequences for all users of	planning situation	

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	Lake Lothing. It is issues like these that need to be covered by the Coastal Adaption SPD. While they are specific	in the Lake	
	issues, and the Coastal Adaption SPD is covering a large extent of coastline, local issues need to fully considered.	Lothing area is	
		considered in the	
		Waveney Local	
		Plan (2019) and	
		Shoreline	
		Management	
		Plans. Moreover,	
		the SPD cannot	
		comment on	
		specific	
		development	
		proposals, but	
		provide guidance	
		relating to the	
		general	
		implementation	
		of coastal	
		adaptation	
		planning policies	
		only.	
Marine	Many thanks for giving us the opportunity to respond to the Coastal Adaptation Supplementary Planning	Marine and	No change
Management	Document, covering the coast from Holkham in Norfolk to Felixstowe in Suffolk. Please find attached our	terrestrial	
Organisation	response letter which contains general marine planning information and legal responsibilities as well as specific	planning are	
(Stacey Clarke)	consideration for the Coastal Adaptation SPD. In addition to this, if you, or any of the other relevant authorities,	inherently linked,	
	would like further information on the East Marine Plans, I would be happy to provide a meeting covering general	and consideration	
	information on marine planning, monitoring and implementation of the east marine plans, tools for	has been given to	
	implementation and an update on the development of marine plans in England.	the relationship	
		between the	
		development	
		plans for the SPD	
		area, the	

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		Shoreline	
		Management	
		Plans, and the	
		Marine Plans. The	
		draft SPD provides	
		some guidance as	
		to the role of	
		marine planning	
		regime in the	
		wider context of	
		the	
		implementation	
		of coastal	
		adaptation	
		planning policies	
		of the terrestrial	
		development	
		plan.	
Paul Bailey	The objectives of the SPD are well defined. You are correct the issues are relatively simple; the erosion of land	Shoreline	No change
	and rise in sea level as King Canute clearly demonstrated. The extent of the problem can easily be identified by	Management	
	superimposing or overlaying the two elements on a plan. This would also show the potential inland flooding	Plans are the main	
	which would approach from a different direction and enable a rear-guard action plan. But surely, this already	mechanism for	
	exists and current actions are in place to ban residential building and restrict commercial development in the	deciding on the	
	defined areas. Is the purpose of the SPD is to recommend the parameters e.g. 1 kilometre from shore and 5	appropriate	
	metres from current high tide level. The implications, this is the really difficult question. The previous analysis	management	
	would identify assets at risk. These could be graduated on a more detailed risk assessment. Everyone must be	regime for the	
	involved and consulted, the potential costs and social disruption will be huge. A detailed plan and financial	coast, with Local	
	impact analysis needs to be completed as soon as possible. This should be the primary function of the SPD. I	Plan policies also	
	think the impact study and roll-back plans will take significantly longer than establishing the development	playing a part; the	
	recommendations. Although intrinsically linked the first should not be delayed at the expense of the latter.	SPD cannot do so	
	Overall I agree we need a holistic collaborative approach, the coast is dynamic and our actions need to be	(as it can only	
	equally so. The number of bodies involved needs to be small, impartial and empowered. Remember, the camel is	provide further	

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	a horse designed by a committee, we do not have that luxury if the forecasters are correct. Finally, we should	guidance and	
	not be reinventing the wheel, our close friends in the Netherlands have potentially greater issues than Norfolk.	support on the	
		implementation	
		of Local Plan	
		policies). The	
		Environment	
		Agency is the key	
		organisation	
		working on flood	
		risk matters, and	
		the councils work	
		closely with it.	
Somerton	1. The coronavirus restrictions have prevented us from carrying out normal meetings where members of the	The limitations	No change
Parish Council	public can attend. The same restrictions apply to District Councils. It should be accepted that conducting a	imposed by Covid	
(Gill Lack)	consultation during these difficult times is not appropriate since a significant proportion of the population may	have made things	
	not be aware of it and/or unable to participate with a response. 2. Currently, we have the Broads Futures	difficult, as stated.	
	Initiative (BFI) consultation/project ongoing. This particular consultation should include and address the same	However, local	
	points raised in this particular consultation. We therefore request that the Supplementary Planning	authorities have	
	Consultation(SPC) be postponed until the BFI project is completed. 3. The BFI consultation/project aims to work	tried to maintain	
	closely with local people, listen to their views with the decisions made by elected representatives. The process	their normal work	
	hopefully will include opportunities for local people to ask questions and make suggestions regarding the same,	activities and	
	if not similar, points to that raised in the SPC consultation. How can people respond to the SPC consultation	given that it was	
	without having the latest information regarding flood risk, land levels etc etc.?	not known how	
		long social	
		distancing would	
		need to be	
		maintained, local	
		authorities had to	
		do the best they	
		could to allow	
		engagement	
		(putting	

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		documents online,	
		using social media	
		etc) and continue	
		progressing	
		important pieces	
		of work – such as	
		the SPD. There	
		was a very good	
		response to the	
		initial SPD	
		consultation.	
		This SPD and the	
		Broadland Futures	
		Initiative (BFI)	
		operate within	
		the same topic	
		area, that of	
		coastal change.	
		However, the SPD	
		is very much	
		focussed on	
		providing	
		guidance relating	
		to the	
		implementation	
		of planning	
		policies, whereas	
		the BFI is looking	
		to inform the	
		overarching flood	
		risk management	

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		strategy for the	
		next 100 years	
		over a much	
		wider area. The	
		SPD and BFI can	
		complement each	
		other, and the	
		SPD need not be	
		restricted by the	
		timings of the BFI.	
Woodton	Woodton Parish Council views the joint approach by the Counties as a positive way forward in the right direction	Comment noted.	No change
Parish Council	and we will wait to hear further developments.		
(Yvonne			
Wonnacott)			
Andrew	Thanks for the opportunity to comment at the outset of the consultation.	Comment noted.	No change
McDonald			
Burnham	It would be helpful to have a stronger voice where all parish councils along the coast joined forces and that	The Norfolk and	No change
Overy Parish	perhaps resilience groups that are proactive help more than being post active after the event has happened.	Suffolk	
Council (Sarah		Associations of	
Raven)		Local Councils	
		(NALC and SALC)	
		may be able to	
		assist, but this is	
		not a matter	
		directly for the	
		SPD. Resilience	
		groups do a great	
		deal of proactive	
		work in relation to	
		planning for	
		emergencies and	

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		are not just	
		reactionary.	
Andrew	I am writing to raise one particular issue on behalf of a small group of local residents who have been involved	Paragraphs 3.72-	No change
McDonald	recently in leading the opposition to the inappropriate use of Enabling Development in East Suffolk – specifically	3.74 of the Suffolk	
	over the last two or three years in the context of raising funds for river defences. We'd like to offer this point of	Coastal Local Plan	
	view on the contents of section 5 of the document, 'Delivery and Enabling Development'. Previous experience of	(SCLP)	
	the proposed (and actual) use of Enabling Development by the then Suffolk Coastal D C (and the statements in	demonstrate the	
	sections 3.72-3.74 of the recently adopted East Suffolk Local Plan) give us cause for concern that Enabling	importance of a	
	Development may be regarded as a policy option, rather than an exceptional mechanism. It is also difficult to	plan led system by	
	determine from the consultation document exactly what form this 'option' would take – would ED be used as a	noting that	
	fundraising mechanism to defray the cost of relocation? Or would it be used as a mechanism for siting relocated	enabling	
	housing in areas which would normally be inaccessible to development? In either case, it is important to take	development may	
	very seriously the restrictions on the use of Enabling Development – as the current Local Plan states, it requires	be accepted in	
	'exceptional individual circumstances', and its use in exceptional circumstances ' needs to be justified,	exceptional	
	transparent and deliverable as a comprehensive package, with clear community benefits.' {para 3.73}. It cannot	circumstances – in	
	be adopted in advance as a potential funding or development option, and it is surely preferable for East Suffolk	other words,	
	Council to use the existing planning system appropriately, rather than to seek to rely on mechanisms that avoid	every such case	
	the planning regulations that have been adopted to protect the community and its environment. We'd be happy	needs to	
	to discuss this further, or to contribute otherwise to the consultation.	demonstrate the	
		particular	
		justification to warrant a	
		departure from	
		the Local Plan,	
		and the bar is	
		high.	
		mgii.	
		Plan-led	
		approaches	
		helpful to	
		relocation and	
		rollback can be	

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		practised.	
		Waveney Local	
		Plan Policy	
		WLP6.1 is an	
		allocation of 220	
		new dwellings in	
		Reydon, of which	
		seven are	
		reserved for	
		people whose	
		properties have	
		already been lost	
		to erosion, or are	
		at high risk of	
		being lost soon.	
		But there will	
		always be	
		occasions where a	
		case is made for	
		enabling	
		development,	
		which cannot	
		have been	
		envisaged by the	
		Local Plan.	
Cornerstone	Thank you for consulting on the Draft Coastal Adaptation Supplementary Planning Document (SPD). I hereby	The Partnership	No change
Planning	respond on behalf of the Royal Cromer Golf Club. The club is located on the cliff top – east of Cromer – and has	notes the	
Limited (Alan	seen its land slowly eroded over the years. The club is looking at options for its future security/viability, including	comments and	
Presslee)	possible planned contingencies to replace golf holes close to the cliff top, which are under imminent threat of	recognises the	
	loss through coastal erosion. The Golf Club welcomes the Councils' initiative in developing plans for Coastal	challenges that	
	Adaptation. Nobody would suggest that there should not be appropriate consideration of the environmental	many coastal golf	
	impacts of new development in sensitive coastal areas. However, planning policies need to be applied with	courses face in	

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	flexibility and pragmatism, and there should be a rounded consideration/appreciation of the commercial,	relation to coastal	
	operational and practical constraints presented by losing land to the sea, and combating same. In the case of a	erosion. The draft	
	golf course the loss (or threat of loss) of a one or more golf holes doesn't just represent a small, proportionate	SPD provides	
	loss of some operational land: the loss of a golf hole makes the course unviable (it has to have 18 golf holes!).	guidance relating	
	The noun 'Adaptation' is in the title of the document; so, the ability, facilitation and support (from Councils) to	to the rollback	
	be able to adapt - commercially and environmentally - is absolutely crucial in the changing 'climate'. Cromer Golf	and relocation of	
	Course (and many other seaside golf courses) is in a location where – few would argue – planning permission is	development,	
	unlikely to be forthcoming if applied for today, given the myriad of environmental, ecological and landscape	which will be	
	constraints on the coast. Yet, with the passage of time and the implementation of sensitive and proactive	relevant to the	
	environment policies in the management of the golf course, the course is in harmony with its	rollback and/or	
	surroundings/environment. In being able to adapt to coastal erosion, and support the local economic,	relocation of golf	
	recreational and environmental benefits of the golf course, we are looking for the support of planning policies	course holes.	
	and this SPD (as a material consideration) to – in principle – enable the golf club to properly plan and adapt,		
	developing potential replacement golf holes and other facilities, provided this is done to a high standard and		
	with regard to the sensitivities of its location. In light of this we would like to see golf courses – and the coastal		
	change and adaption issues that face them – addressed in the SPD and in any designation of a Coastal Change		
	Management Area, and policies applicable thereto. Specifically, that the ability for a golf course to address the		
	necessary (or in some cases anticipatory) creation of new golf holes or other golf club related facilities, is		
	acknowledged and addressed directly. We believe that such would be appropriate, and in the context of relevant		
	policies relating to coastal change in the National Planning Policy Framework. Please keep me apprised of the		
	SPD's progress, including subsequent stages of consultation.		
Historic	Thank you for consulting Historic England on the draft Coastal Adaptation SPD initial consultation document. As	The draft SPD	The draft SPD
England	the Government's adviser on the historic environment Historic England is keen to ensure that the protection of	recognises the	recognises the
(Andrew	the historic environment is fully taken into account at all stages and levels of the local planning process. While	importance of the	importance of
Marsh)	we do not have the capacity to provide detailed comments at this stage, we wish to flag the following matters	historic	the historic
	which we hope that you'll find helpful. Historic environment The Coastline between Holkham in Norfolk to	environment to	environment
	Felixstowe in Suffolk is rich in heritage, and we consider that the SPD represents an important opportunity to	this part of the	along the coast
	highlight the need to consider historic environment sensitivities when determining future proposals. We suggest	Norfolk and	and the
	the following typologies may be helpful in considering impacts on the historic environment: • Coastal terrestrial -	Suffolk coast,	important role
	Heritage assets on dry land - built or archaeological - which could be affected by development proposals, e.g. via	however, it is	that Historic
	change in their setting affecting views to and from and asset, lighting, noise, movement, vibration etc; •	considered that	England play in
	Intertidal zone - Heritage assets within the intertidal zone. These could be directly impacted, or as before, could	guidance relating	conserving the

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	be affected by changes in their settings, for example development in one location resulting in changes to coastal	to how the	historic
	processes affecting heritage assets in another, or as with coastal terrestrial by other factors affecting how they	historic	environment.
	are experienced - for example views to and from, noise, lighting etc. It is also relevant to highlight that there are	environment can	
	numerous undesignated heritage assets which are considered of national importance within this zone, but which	be appropriately	
	have not been designated because of the perceived difficulties in preserving and enhancing these in accordance	preserved and	
	with the statutory duties due to their nature and location. • Marine - Archaeology in and beneath the sea bed,	enhanced is best	
	including buried archaeological remains, old land surfaces and the associated palaeoenvironmental evidence	addressed in	
	that provides information about past climate and environmental changes, as well as artefacts (wrecks or	other guidance	
	evidence of wrecks). Again, such places could be directly impacted, or as before, could be affected by changes in	documents at a	
	their settings. Setting of heritage assets The NPPF makes it clear that the setting of heritage assets can	local and national	
	contribute to their significance, and in these instances the onus is on applicants to demonstrate that their	level.	
	proposals would not adversely affect these assets via a change in their settings. It is worth stressing that		
	considerations of setting from a historic environment perspective go beyond visual changes (e.g. views to and		
	from a heritage asset), but can encompass anything that affects how an asset is experienced, for example noise,		
	movement, vibration, and lighting etc. In the context of this SPD, this could include unintended consequences to		
	coastal process that result from development in one location, for example increased erosion or deposition etc.		
	which adversely affect heritage assets in another location. On this basis we strongly recommend that the SPD		
	include reference to the importance of setting where this contributes to the significance of heritage assets, and		
	that this be a consideration when assessing development proposals. Other relevant Plans or policies A published		
	East Marine Plan exist (published April 2014) which was the first one completed but it does include a section on		
	coastal adaptation with Policy CC1 and there is also a section on 'Coastal change management' (paragraphs 249-		
	252) - We suggest that it would be helpful if the SPD contained a section highlighting this and any other relevant		
	policy, legislation and guidance which should be referred to be applicants and decision makers. Zoned approach		
	to planning A general matter across all the questions is whether specific action should be taken to consider a		
	zoned approach to planning i.e. in recognition of risks associated with coastal erosion or areas with anticipated		
	increased risk of tidal flooding and therefore what action is necessary to record before loss of heritage assets in		
	those zones - Coastal change Finally it will also be important to consider how matters related to 'coastal change'		
	are considered through planning mechanisms - Conclusions I hope that you find the above comments helpful.		
	We'd like to stress that this response is based on the information provided by the Council in its consultation. To		
	avoid any doubt, this does not affect our obligation to provide further advice and, potentially, object to specific		
	proposals, which may subsequently arise as a result of this plan, where we consider that these would have an		
	adverse effect upon the historic environment. If you have any questions with regards to the comments made		

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	then please do get back to me. I would be very happy to meet to discuss these comments further. In the meantime we thank you for making us aware of this SPD and look forward to receiving subsequent consultations on this matter.		
Environment Agency (Martin Barrell)	Thank you for consulting us on the Draft Coastal Adaptation Supplementary Planning Document, covering the coast from Holkham in Norfolk to Felixstowe in Suffolk. We support the holistic approach taken in the production of this document. The SPD presents an opportunity to provide consistent advice across the whole of the coast for the area covered. We would agree that the scope and proposed content of the document both look to be appropriate, and the document appears to be consistent with the National Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management Strategy. It will be beneficial to have such a document to reference the Shoreline Management Plan policy decisions for each area, particularly as we move into Epoch 2 of the SMPs. For all types of development proposed in CCMAs affected by flood risk, you should consider whether specific guidance needs to be provided on how that risk should be addressed. This may include how to appropriately apply the Sequential Test, and the measures required to ensure the safety of the development over its defined lifetime. This may also be applicable to roll back/relocation proposals, or enabling development. We would be happy to discuss this point further if required. We would welcome the opportunity to further review the SPD as the document is developed.	Appropriate references to SMPs have been made in the SPD and the document considers different kinds of developments and infrastructure and the particular challenges and opportunities that they give rise to. However, the SPD has focussed primarily on risk arising from coastal erosion and as a result does not provide guidance relating to the sequential test.	No change
National Grid Ventures (Alicia Dawson)	National Grid Ventures (NGV) are aware that East Suffolk Council together with Great Yarmouth Borough Council, North Norfolk District Council, the Broads Authority, and the Coastal Partnership East Team are consulting on the Coastal Adaptation Supplementary Planning Document (SPD) from 4th September to 16th October 2020. The SPD will cover the area of coast from Holkham in Norfolk to Felixstowe in Suffolk. East Suffolk Council will be familiar with NGV through our engagement with the Council to date on the proposed Nautilus and EuroLink Interconnector Projects. However, a brief introduction to NGV and our proposals in East Suffolk are	Comment noted.	No change

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	set out under the headings below for the benefit of the other parties hosting this consultation. It is noted that the consultation document sets out the proposed structure of the SPD and that following this current consultation, a draft version of the SPD will be prepared for public consultation before being adopted by all of the partnership authorities. NGV would welcome the future opportunity to review and comment on the draft SPD document once published for public consultation. It is understood that the SPD is intended to provide clear guidance as to what development may be appropriate in the Coastal Change Management Area (CCMA) and in what circumstances. In this context it is relevant to introduce NGV's proposals in East Suffolk.		
Peter Terrington	Whilst erosion is recognised as a threat along the cliff coastline, east of Weybourne, the DLSA does not appear to recognise the threat caused by accretion of sand along the sand dune and marsh coastline, west of Weybourne. Accretion of sand in Wells and Blakeney harbours is creating economic, recreational and environmental impacts. There is strong circumstantial evidence to link the increased rate of accretion of sand in Wells and Blakeney harbours with the commencement of dredging and channel Deepening at Wells and placement of dredged spoil within the marine environment. Increased accretion of sand is also contemporaneous with the development of offshore wind farms and the trenching for cable routes. Obviously natural processes play a huge part in the erosion, transport and deposition of material along the North Norfolk Coast, but little research has been carried out about the part played by human intervention. Observations since 2009 suggest that the rate of accretion of sand has greatly increased. This has had a devastating impact on the mussel fishery at Morston, resulting in the virtual closure of the fishery, putting a number of mussel fishermen out of work. Increased accretion of sand in Wells and Blakeney harbours is also impacting on the offshore fishing industry and the recreational boating interests, as well as impacting on wildlife through the loss of feeding grounds. It is now necessary to regularly dredge inner harbour to keep the channel to the Quay open and around the pontoons at the Main Quay and at Tugboat Yard. Boating interests at Blakeney are seriously investigating the need to dredge Blakeney Harbour. The Wash & North Norfolk Marine Partnership (Formerly the Wash & North Norfolk EMS) has set up a Siltation Working Group to investigate the accelerated accretion of sand along the coastline and in the tidal inlets and it is forming partnerships with other bodies to try to find out why the rate of accretion has dramatically increased over recent years.	The comments are noted but they do not directly relate to the SPD as they relate more specifically to activities in the marine planning realm that potentially impact coastal processes and then therefore impact coastal communities, businesses and the environment. As such, these matters are more appropriately addressed by the relevant Marine Plan and Shoreline	No change

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		Management	
		Plan, as opposed	
		to the	
		development plan	
		and this draft SPD.	
SCEG - Scratby	Adaption. As much detail to assure public that adaption is explained and as much guidance given as possible.	Relevant detail on	No change
and California		adaptation	
Environment		(including links to	
Group (Lodge)		other guidance) is	
		provided in the	
		draft SPD.	
Southwold	Main issues are what development is permitted and relocation in case of loss of property due to erosion.	Matters relating	No change
Town Council	Southwold shoreline (Walberswick to Easton Bavents) is shown in Appendix A as having little change to 2055.	to coastal	
(Lesley	However the cliff at the end of the northern seawall at Easton Bavents may be breached on a shorter time than	management are	
Beevor)	that (10-30 years). This opens up quite a large number of properties (~100) in North Southwold and South	for the SMPs to	
	Reydon to risk from tidal surges. The current CMP policy is to allow a shingle bar to develop, backed up by	consider,	
	defence along border of marsh. Given the scale of the problem, and the number of properties potentially	alongside Local	
	affected, the issue perhaps need to be spelt out.	Plans, but the SPD	
		cannot directly	
		impact these	
		issues.	
Suffolk County	Thank you for consulting the Suffolk Coast & Heaths AONB team on the Draft Coastal Adaptation SPD	The natural	No change
Council (AONB	consultation. The AONB team have the following comments to make on the consultation which we hope can be	environment has	
Team)	incorporated into the final SPD. 1 Purpose of the SPD In addition to the objectives identified, the objectives of	been recognised	
(Beverley	Coastal Adaptation SPD should also include the following objectives: • Provide guidance for temporary uses of	for the significant,	
McClean)	land and buildings. • Set out the approach to relocation of residential properties. • Set out the approach to 'roll	in scale and	
	back' for commercial uses and essential infrastructure 2. Coastal Change The AONB teams supports the cross	importance, role it	
	boundary integrated approach being proposed for the preparation of the Coastal Adaptation SPD. We would ask	plays along the	
	that the Coastal Change Chapter includes information on climate change impacts in estuaries and not just the	coast and the	
	open coast. Estuaries are an integral part of the coastal landscape of the Suffolk Coast & Heaths AONB. These	benefits it	
	too are dynamic and being impacted as a result of climate change and for this reason they should be included in	provides	
	the SPD. 3. Links to Shoreline Management Plans In addition to linking to SMPS 5, 6, 7 & 8, the SPD should also	communities and	

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	reference the need for any development affecting or likely to affect the marine environment to have regard to	businesses along	
	the Marine and Coastal Planning Act 2009, the Marine Policy Statement (2011) and the relevant Marine Plan, in	the coast.	
	this case, the East Inshore Marine Plan (2014) 4. Proposed content of SPD 4.1 Homes, Businesses, and	Reference has	
	Communities Affected by Coastal Change The last sentence of paragraph 4.1 should be amended to include	been made to the	
	estuaries which are also at risk and vulnerable to climate change effects. 4.2 – Coastal Management Measures	national and local	
	and Policies This proposed approach is supported. The 2014 Waveney Development and Coastal Change SPD did	planning policy	
	not reference the Planning Practice Guidance on Coastal Change. This should be referred to under section 4.2 of	context, including	
	the emerging SPD. The Suffolk Coast & Heaths AONB Management Plan 2018-2023 is also a material planning	SMPs, the marine	
	consideration and consideration should be given to referencing it under this section of this section of the SPD.	planning system,	
	4.3 Development in the Coastal Change Management Area (CCMAs) This section needs introductory text to	and of course the	
	explain what Coastal Change Management Areas are. We agree that the SPD should cover Permanent and	role of Natural	
	Temporary Development on the coast, Public Realm infrastructure and clarify the requirements for Coastal	England. Given	
	Vulnerability Assessments. Any guidance should also include estuaries which are also susceptible and at risk	the nature of	
	from climate change impacts. As the Coastal Adaptation SPD will cover nationally designated landscapes i.e. (the	rollback and	
	Suffolk Coast & Heaths AONB, The Broads National Park and Heritage Coast) the SPD should highlight the need	relocation	
	that all of the developments covered in the SPD will need to satisfy Duty of Regard obligations (Section 85 of	solutions and the	
	CROW Act 2000) to further the purposes of AONB designation. 4.4 Roll back and Relocation Options The AONB	scale of coastal	
	support the inclusion of information on roll back and relocation options in the emerging SPD. Given that a	environmental	
	proportion of the developments that may need to be relocated /rolled back may well be relocated/rolled back	designations the	
	into nationally designated landscapes therefore the need to consider impacts on the natural beauty of the	importance of	
	Suffolk Coast & Heaths AONB and The Broads National Park should be included in this section of the document.	giving appropriate	
	5 Delivery and Enabling Development The AONB support the inclusion of information clarifying the	consideration to	
	circumstances when enabling development may be supported to deliver public benefits. Some enabling	the natural	
	development may be delivered in nationally designated landscapes therefore the need to consider impacts on	environment in	
	the natural beauty of the Suffolk Coast & Heaths AONB and The Broads National Park should be included in this	implementing	
	section of the document. The Natural Beauty and Special Qualities are defined in the Suffolk Coast and Heaths	rollback and	
	Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) Natural Beauty and Special Qualities Indicators Report V1.8	relocation	
	produced in 2016 by Landscape Design Associates Where enabling development is supported to fund new	development has	
	coastal defences for example the design of any defences should consider all impacts on the natural beauty of the	been recognised	
	Suffolk Coast & Heaths and on the Broads National Park. The AONB team would like to draw your attention to	in the draft SPD.	
	the 'Suffolk Coastal Sea Defences Potential Landscape and Visual Effects Final Report' and its recommendations		
	commissioned by the AONB and prepared by Alison Farmer as part of the Touching the Tide programme. We		

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	recommend that the Final Report and the recommendations in it are used to shape the content of the emerging Coastal Adaptation SPD. We hope these comments are helpful for the development of the Coastal Adaptation SPD.		
Suffolk County Council (Georgia Teague)	Thank you for consulting Suffolk County Council (SCC) on the Coastal Adaptation Supplementary Planning Document. We have no comments to make on the draft document at this time. However, we request to be kept updated and engaged in the later developments of this document.	Comment noted.	No change
Water Management Alliance (Jessica Nobbs)	What are the next steps? What is the scope?	The planned scope of the SPD was set out in the initial consultation document, and since has been updated to take account of consultation responses. The next steps are to publicly consult on the draft SPD, consider the consultation responses, amend the SPD accordingly and seek to adopt the SPD, after which it would become a material consideration in the determination of relevant	No change

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		planning	
		applications.	
Deben Estuary	No Comment	N/A	No change
Partnership			
(Christine			
Block)			
Kathryn	Having viewed this document I am aware that I lack the expertise on coastal erosion, tides etc and in other	Comments noted.	No change
Newnham	areas. However i have an interest and awareness on certain points so I would like to try and contribute to your	The Councils have	
	consultation. For many years now i have been environmentally aware of many issues David Attenborough has	consulted a wide	
	recently brought to the peoples attention. Whilst plastic is a big issue (PCBs?) I think they should find an	range of people	
	environmentally friendly alternative - I would ban its production for many unnecessary uses, and completely	and organisations,	
	when they find an alternative, I think chemicals and pollution both in the sea and air is a huge factor in climate	including the	
	change, as is destruction of the rainforests. To live todays life style where our factories churn out dangerous	Norfolk Wildlife	
	pollutants, the seas have fertilisers, petro-chemicals, sewage and goodness knows what else pumped into them	Trust,	
	everyday, mankind will eventually be responsible for its own demise. Along the way destroying all other forms of	Environment	
	life. If everybody used things like environmentally friendly products (I have used them for years) along with	Agency, Natural	
	natural things (Lemon degreases and is a good limescale remover in kettles, Vinegar etc.) our oceans and	England and many	
	atmosphere would improve considerably. So whilst erosion is natural mankind has increased this process	others and is	
	dramatically. Sea levels have risen and human activity around out coasts affects tidal movements. One instantly	having	
	coming to mind is the dredging allowed off our coastline. Usually by companies from elsewhere (I think a	appropriate	
	company in Southampton applied for and got permission to dredge here!). Surely this must contribute to the	regard to their	
	erosion? If you remove the shingle (or whatever it is they gather) A process of displacement occurs, and cliffs like	comments.	
	those at Happisburgh (who are soft material) disappear into the sea. Along with the houses and roads that used		
	to have "Sea views"! When somebody does something along the coast someone elsewhere becomes a victim.	Questions about	
	Great Yarmouth outer harbour is a good example when completed caister and I believe it was Hopton lost a	overall housing	
	considerable amount of beach. I cannot comment for elsewhere in Norfolk and Suffolk only these incidents	numbers and	
	which I have known of, although i do know Scratby and Hemsby are in trouble with erosion. What i will say is	particular	
	please listen to the experts and people like the Norfolk Wildlife Trust, WWF, etc. local wildlife/environment	planning	
	experts must surely be of great importance with local knowledge of the areas concerned. A further comment on	applications are	
	erosion id with regards to the south coast. Prior to moving to Norfolk we used to holiday on the south coast. I	matters beyond	
	have seen swathes of cliff, roads and housing disappear into the sea around Hastings and recently Swanage	the scope of the	
	became a victim of erosion (fortunately nobody was injured). This consultation document for which house	SPD, as is offshore	

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	building is its main purpose, I would suggest you go back to the government and request a great reduction in	dredging.	
	quotas. Norfolk and Suffolk are unlike other areas. You have grade one farmland - an important bread basket for	However, the SPD	
	our nation - it is wrong to import food when we should be growing our own (not concreting over the farmland	will provide	
	with housing). these counties are important to species of wildlife, migrating here in both summer and winter,	guidance to help	
	and our own native species some of which are only found in this area (butterflies etc). This area should be	manage	
	treated differently to other parts of the UK. You cannot allow it to be developed in the same way as Essex,	development and	
	urbanised from London to Southend and the coast. It has the Broads, it is of great importance to the survival of	rollback/relocatio	
	species, you must not let it be a victim of the governments (and all parties) housing policy. In 2019 I wrote to the	n in coastal areas.	
	government ministry of housing and our MP Brandon Lewis as I realised that it was build 1,000s of houses -		
	mostly on green fields - making a healthy profit at everybody else's expense. In January this year I wrote to Boris		
	Johnson enclosing, paperwork relevant to the Great Yarmouth area for planning applications. For some years		
	now we have been the target of developers. Recently this little village of Filby had over 40 planning applications		
	lodged. We already had 60 houses built - it changes villages completely, Filby is being ruined and still they want		
	to build 10-15-30-60 at at time. On Filby sands last year out of season and one way only we had 58,00 vehicles		
	pass our front door. We didn't have the sams to register the summer traffic, it was probably nearer 100,000!		
	your local planning policies have consequences for us residents. Is it fair our quality of life should be ruined to		
	accommodate government housing policy and developers? I have viewed the paperwork on the core strategy		
	and further focused changes for Great Yarmouth. I have returned the statement if representation form and hope		
	the secretary of states planning inspector will allow me to speak at the hearing sessions because I would like to		
	bring to his attention how the Part 2 further focused changes to 2030 came into being, to accommodate large		
	developments. Persimmon Homes 725 (now slightly less) but the design is such that you can remove a few trees		
	and build on the rest of Nova Scotia Farm. this was not an area in the sites for development - it is now - put so		
	the developer could build freely without objection from the public! That's another 2,000 plus cars a day yo come		
	through Filby on the A1064 and on the Norwich. Bradwell 600 dwellings, Gorleston 500 and another 11 dwellings		
	- all coming under ADIA numbers 1- 9 and other under BR, GR6, HY1 and 071. These are listed in the further		
	focused changes - however i found in other files what can be done! Rollesby site 36 - 15 units site 37 -40 units,		
	site 90 1 unit, Site 9 - 4 units, site 320 - 10 units, site 322 - units, site 413 - 26 units, site 414 - 20 units, site 449 -		
	20 units. Filby site 10 - 60 units (they have an application in now for six 'gone to appeal' as it was refused		
	planning). site 19 - 15 units, site 38 - 11 units, site 62 - 3 units, site 71 - 6 units, site 72 - 20 units, site 83 - 2 units,		
	site 114 - 7 units, site 416 - 44 units, site 428 - 20 units. Some of these sites now have planning applications		
	lodged! Additionally Martham and Ormesby St Margaret have been swamped with development applications as		
	has Hemsby regardless of coastal erosion. I would suggest this is not a council with a local planning policy with		

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	the interest of the community at heart, but a council allowing developers access everywhere. For the future generations and nature you need to go back to the government and insist on a change to the building requirements issued for Norfolk and Suffolk - disobey them if necessary and stand up for the communities and future generations you will serve. Counties of concrete in an environmentally important area with the prospect of houses disappearing into the sea (Happisburgh and shortly it will be Hemsby) is a very stupid housing policy - not forgetting what the rest of us will lose. I hope my comments will make you think seriously at the housing policies you will be providing guidance on. I also ask that despite my opinions you will include me in any further correspondence on these policies. I also enclose some cuttings recently taken from the mercury about new housing applications, the volume may make you think about what is going on here. I have kept Filby paperwork as I use it to write to the council with my objection.		
Richard Adams	Reference Eyke 21, East Suffolk Council SCLP 12.50 - as I own the south east fence of the mixed use boundaries What are your plans for this issue?	The draft SPD is focussed on providing guidance for the implementation of coastal adaptation Local Plan policies, and does not provide guidance for other site allocations.	No change
Anglian Water Services Ltd (Stewart Patience)	No Comment	N/A	No change
Barton Willmore (Will Spencer)	No Comment	N/A	No change
Bidwells (Kate Hammond)	Please do not rule out coastal defence maintenance and improvements. This could be cheaper in the long run! We recommend there is working group established to include landowners to assist with the development of this document and provide more detail and explanation of the issues which are facing property owners and	The management approach to the coast (e.g. protect/hold the	No change

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	businesses in coastal areas. If you would like to discuss any of these points further please do not hesitate to	line, no active	
	contact us.	intervention etc)	
		is set out in the	
		Shoreline	
		Management	
		Plans, and the SPD	
		cannot change	
		this.	
		The local	
		authorities are	
		undertaking work	
		for potential new	
		protection	
		schemes (at	
		Hemsby, for	
		example) and in	
		some cases,	
		rollback will not	
		be the preferred	
		solution.	
Bourne Leisure	The coastline covered by the SPD supports a tourism economy of regional importance. In Great Yarmouth alone,	The importance of	No change
Ltd (Lichfields)	where Bourne Leisure has its holiday parks, tourism is worth £625 million per annum and accounts for 35% of all	camping and	
	jobs. It is important that existing holiday parks in coastal locations are assisted by policy and guidance to ensure	caravan parks to	
	they can respond to circumstances, including coastal change, to maintain a quality service to their guests,	the coastal	
	continue attracting visitors and contributing to the local tourism economy, and to give operators confidence to	economy is fully	
	plan for the future of their parks. This needs to be acknowledged in the opening section of the SPD, to establish	recognised by the	
	this important context. Principally, Bourne Leisure has four other key points that it requests are considered by	Partnership.	
	the Councils in preparing the Coastal Adaption SPD. These are addressed in turn below. 1. Identify caravan		
	holiday parks as being appropriate in coastal locations We note that the proposed content for the SPD includes a	The draft SPD	
	section on development in the Coastal Change Management Area (CCMA). Pg 2/3 18907555v2 We responded to	follows policy in	
	the Great Yarmouth Local Plan Part 2 review recently in May 2020. The draft document has been submitted by	providing that	

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	the Council for Examination and includes a specific policy (GSP4, 'New Development in Coastal Change	temporary	
	Management Areas') that identifies a CCMA and development considered appropriate within the area. This	development may	
	approach is consistent with National Planning Policy Framework guidance (NPPF, paragraph 167). In the Great	be appropriate in	
	Yarmouth example, parts of Caister-on-Sea and Hopton Holiday Parks are located within the CCMA and Seashore	the CCMA	
	Holiday Park is directly adjacent to the CCMA. We endorsed the draft policy identifying holiday and short-let	provided a	
	caravans as representing appropriate development that could be provided along the coastal strip in Great	number of criteria	
	Yarmouth. This form of tourist accommodation and use of land by its nature is inherently more flexible, with the	are met, including	
	ability to easily relocate caravans and adapt caravan developments to respond to changing coastlines over time.	that such	
	In view of this, park operators may accept temporary planning permissions that allows development to be	temporary	
	reviewed in light of the actual rate of coastal change. In this way, it is different from other forms of 'permanent'	development	
	development, such as residential development, and it is appropriate that this is recognised in development plan	proposals are	
	policy and guidance in the Coastal Adaption SPD. 2. Allow operators to protect their properties from coastal	supported by a	
	erosion Tourism operators should be allowed to protect their properties by investing in maintaining existing	compliant Coastal	
	flood defences or providing new defences. This way private landowners are not dependent on public sector	Erosion	
	plans and investment to provide new or improved coastal defences, and initiatives can be led and funded by the	Vulnerability	
	private sector, as required and appropriate. We consider this principle should apply even in circumstances where	Assessment.	
	such flood defence works are not provided for in Shoreline Management Plans (SMP). Otherwise this could		
	mean that essential, urgent coastal protection works are delayed, potentially for a significant period, until the	The SPD cannot	
	SMP has been updated, which in reality could take years. In such cases, the planning application proposal for the	create or change	
	flood protection works would need to be justified and demonstrate that there would be no unacceptable	policy in the	
	adverse impacts further along the coastline. They would also need to be in general accordance with the	coastal area – this	
	development plan, SMP principles and SPD guidance. The application would be consulted on through the	is reserved for	
	statutory planning application processes, including engaging with affected landowners, the Environment Agency,	Shoreline	
	and Suffolk coastal authorities if necessary. This way all relevant responses can be considered before a decision	Management	
	is made. This process will be more expedient than reviewing the SMP. 3. Promote "roll-back" and relocation	Plans and Local	
	Whilst coastal defences play an important part in responding to coastal erosion, they are sometimes impractical	Plans. However,	
	or unviable. This is where the second strand of NPPF paragraph 167 provides a solution for development and	the SPD will	
	infrastructure that is at risk, by making provision for these to be relocated away from CCMAs. Many coastal	provide assistance	
	planning authorities adopt so-called "roll-back" policies as part of their development plans to proactively	in the	
	manage the hazard of coastal erosion. Indeed, Great Yarmouth Council in its Local Plan Part 2 review includes a	interpretation and	
	draft policy (Policy E2 'Relocation from Coastal Change Management Areas') aimed at delivering this objective.	implementation	
	The ability to replace existing tourism accommodation and associated facilities and/or relocate these to sites at	of relevant Local	

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	less risk from coastal erosion either within or outside CCMAs as necessary is critical to helping secure the future	Plan policies and	
	of holiday parks and ensuring that the social and economic benefits generated by these developments are not	there have been a	
	lost. Pg 3/3 18907555v2. We are encouraged that the proposed content for the SPD includes a section on roll-	number of good	
	back and relocation options. 4. Consider the SMP in the context of other relevant statutory policy documents We	case studies in	
	mentioned in (2) above an example when there may be a need to depart from the SMP guidance, and there	recent years	
	could be other instances when circumstances dictate this needs to happen. Whilst the SMP provides an	showing how	
	important starting point, it is a non-statutory policy document that focuses on coastal defence management	councils can work	
	planning, rather than having to address the wider social and economic consequences of the intervention	with park	
	categories. Further, SMPs are generally updated very infrequently, often not as frequently as Development Plan	operators to best	
	documents, and can therefore be out of sync with up-to-date development policies and local development	manage coastal	
	priorities. The example of Great Yarmouth is a case in point. The Borough Council is reviewing its Local Plan,	erosion threats.	
	which is at an advanced stage of the review process and is likely to be adopted next year. The current SMP was	Ad hoc coastal	
	adopted over 8 years ago, in August 2012, without wider public and landowner engagement. The guidance in the	defence works	
	Coastal Adaption SPD needs to reflect the current development priorities for the area and provide flexibility for	must be	
	landowners to protect their interests (including business, jobs, etc for the local economy), where this is possible	considered in light	
	without unacceptable adverse impacts further along the coastline. It should place statutory development plan	of the SMP policy	
	policies at the heart of the coastal adaption strategy; informed by the SMP but with this being considered in the	due to the	
	overall balance of objectives for the coastal areas. In future, the SMP must be consulted upon publicly prior to it	potential for	
	being published, in the same way that draft development plans are, so that those affected by the coastal	unintended	
	defence management policies are given the opportunity to comment. We trust this representation is clear and	consequences on	
	will be considered in formulating a draft of the Coastal Adaption SPD. Please do not hesitate to contact me or my	other parts of the	
	colleague should you require any clarification of the points made. We would be grateful if you could keep us	coast.	
	informed of progress on reviewing the SPD.		
Michael Boon	I consider that it is wise for the local authorities who have coastal responsibilities to take a long holistic approach	Shoreline	No change
	of the coastline as their boundaries on the coast will not align with the specific coastal problems within Shoreline	Management	
	Management compartments. It is essential for the economic well-being of the coastal communities that local	Plans make the	
	authorities tried to maximise the practical needs of villages and settlements within their areas affected by	decisions on the	
	coastal erosion. It is wise to have forward planning on each of the designated SMP coastal compartments as	management of	
	change is accelerating and measures to address this will affect the landward community. It's also necessary to	the coast and	
	have adaptability in any forward plan to cater for accelerating change caused by significant increased coastal	cover wide areas	
	erosion in places and longer-term problems which would be driven by climate change A properly prepared and	(based largely on	

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	flexible coastal adaption planning document can be a significant source of information for both residents and	self-contained	
	developers and can link into each Local Authority's development plans having regard for the Shoreline	sediment 'cells')	
	Management Plans overarching frontal role. It is essential that the Local Authorities planning roles addresses the	and much of the	
	fact of the impact of coastal change in erosion in the context of significant flood protection change to the lands	information	
	which lie within its area which might suffer in the event of frontal collapse. The Local Authorities should require	provided is	
	evidence to support the economic case where necessary to be made to government to support protection of	beyond the	
	coastal communities threatened by erosion of the frontal defences 2 Coastal Change is an inevitable part of a	powers of the SPD	
	dynamic coastline. This presents a challenge in planning for the appropriate management of our coastlines. The	to take into	
	risk of coastal flooding and vulnerability to erosion along the coast does not respect Local Planning Authority	account (which	
	boundaries, and therefore coastal change needs to be considered across a wide geography. There are significant	cannot create	
	potential benefits to joint working across administrative and professional disciplines in addressing the issues of	new policy or	
	coastal management and planning. 3 Links to Shoreline Management Plans (SMPs) I believe that Shoreline	management	
	Management Plans ,broken into compartments in Norfolk and Suffolk with continual monitoring, are essential	approach to the	
	organisations to provide early warning on coastal change which might need remedy by defence . The type of	coast). However,	
	defence needed will vary according to the landscape of the shoreline and the type of tidal attack experienced.	an understanding	
	The Shoreline Management Group needs to be able to take advantage of the latest research available and have	of the coastal	
	access to coastline modelling to be able to work with the Flood Defence Authority in providing coastal defence.	processes along	
	Contact with the University of East Anglia may be valuable in this context. Each of the compartments in the	this part of the	
	eastern and western halves of SMP's could have different needs. It is important to take a broad view of the	Norfolk and	
	coastline when installing any coastal defences to consider whether a length of defence would have an adverse	Suffolk coast, as	
	effect on a compartment immediately downstream. This would argue for compartments being looked at not	well as the	
	only for their own needs but for those adjacent to them. I comment further on some examples in an appendix to	relationship	
	my response. 4 Proposed Content of the SPD 1. Context: Homes, Businesses, and Communities Affected by	between the SPD	
	Coastal Change A balanced policy of funded protection if it is available, consideration of moving landward sites	and the SMPs is	
	and managed retreat in the context of increased tidal surges and climate change will need to be considered. 2.	set out in the	
	Coastal Management Measures and Policies A collection of both local and national powers may well be needed	draft SPD.	
	to be melded to protect the coast and to make the case for funding if a single set of powers locally does not		
	qualify the obtaining of funds for necessary needs. 3. Development in the Coastal Change Management Area		
	Within the Coastal Change Management Area, the current baseline of areas, likely to be subject to physical		
	change of the shoreline through erosion, coastal landslip, permanent inundation or coastal accretion, must be		
	kept up-to-date along the eastern and western Shoreline Management Areas. Trends leading to vulnerability		
	need to be monitored. Consultation after assessment would need to be made on a rolling basis between coastal		

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	Local Authorities and the Shoreline Management Organisation to come up with a joint view in all areas, after full		
	consideration, to negotiate with the environment agency. Vulnerable areas in a time of increasing tidal surges		
	should be identified and the best practice of managing an appropriate coastal defence when necessary needs to		
	be explored on a cost benefit basis. 4. Roll-back and Relocation Options Roll-back and relocation involves the		
	movement of assets currently or soon to be at risk from coastal change Significant assets such as lighthouses at		
	Happisburgh and Orford or Martello Towers along the coast would be key targets for assessment of the		
	movement to less vulnerable locations. Other examples might be coastal holiday cottages now too close to the		
	coastline, cliffside car parks which is now which are now dangerous to use and holiday villages which need a		
	landward relocation owing to the vulnerability of cliffs. 5. Delivery and Enabling Development With adequate		
	information on the future stability of the coastline areas within the Shoreline Management Program developers		
	would have enough information to decide whether investment for the benefit of the local communities is cost-		
	effective. There could be cases where a developer would be prepared to contribute to sea defence to protect an		
	investment which could be a valuable joint scheme in securing the protection of certain coastal areas. In other		
	parts of the coastline it may be that managed retreat is the only practical policy because any other consideration		
	would not be effective Appendix comments on individual schemes of coastal defence which the local authorities		
	concerned would need to take into account in considering their planning policies relating to the adjacent land I		
	understand that the scope of the document covers the coast from Holkham in Norfolk to Felixstowe in Suffolk		
	and that the coastal zones in Shoreline Management terms are in the provinces of an Eastern and Western area.		
	I also understand that the draft document when finalised will be used in the determination of planning		
	applications within the coastal zone and will be updated on the basis of changes in the coastal regime and		
	climate change. The various compartments into which into which the coastal zone has been divided between		
	Holkham and Felixstowe are very different ranging from high cliffs, flat beaches backed by dunes, low cliffs, a		
	beach dune landscape and river exits to the sea. A policy developed some years ago of protection of certain		
	compartments of the coastal frontage based on the value of development behind the coast has had to be		
	modified in the changing climatic conditions particularly after the storms of the last few winters. The complexity		
	of a policy which ranges from hold the line to managed retreat is constantly being needed to be reviewed as		
	tidal attack on the frontage becomes more severe and the effects of climate change become more apparent. The		
	varying types of coastline within the area being reviewed does not respect existing administrative boundaries		
	and this means that there needs to be cooperation between the responsible planning authorities who may have		
	more than one type of coast within their administrative areas. This provokes the need for joint working but		
	equally invites the local authorities to be consulted in the type of frontal defence being recommended by the		
	flood defence authority. In the past there has been too much piecemeal defence on vulnerable sections of the		

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	coast and it is evident that a protection scheme of a particular type might be desirable for a short section of the	·	
	coast but inevitably has a downstream effect on other sections of the coast which are not similarly protected.		
	Vast quantities of sand are moved down the coast by the tide and there is a complex arrangement between the		
	coast and the offshore banks which makes prediction of erosion and the position more difficult without the		
	assistance of complex hydraulic models. There have been occasions in the past where sections of coastline		
	needing protection have been addressed by flood protection structures utilised elsewhere in the country and it		
	has been found at a later date that a particular type of scheme which suits one area of coast is not wholly		
	efficient on another. I would cite in this respect the fishtail groynes utilised in the Happisburgh to Winterton		
	early scheme which were of a similar type to that used in Jaywick in Essex. The two areas needing protection on		
	the landward side are very different with the flatter coastline at Jaywick, which suffered considerably in the 1953		
	floods ,giving rise to the need to protect the small holiday resort from a sea ingress into lengthy marshes behind		
	the coast. The coastal regime between Happisburgh and Winterton is that of low cliffs which are very subject to		
	erosion and whereas sand can be trapped in the fishtails in the immediate locality beyond the southern		
	extremity of the other fishtail groyne's erosion would bite in the coastal compartment beyond. I do not believe		
	that the Happisburgh to Winterton scheme was hydraulically modelled to any extent but was based on practical		
	experience of the use of fishtail groins elsewhere. With the coastline between Holkham and Felixstowe now		
	even more under frontal attack a broad hydraulic model which could be broken down into compartments would		
	be highly desirable if one exists. It may well exist but it has the need of being updated with options, especially		
	those arising from storm surges which now occur far more frequently than in the assessed 1 in 200 critical		
	baselines to provide a satisfactory defence in the current circumstances and for the future. When the Rivers		
	Authority was responsible for both land drainage and flood defence ,and many of the Board's members had		
	agricultural interests, it was anathema to talk of any retreat from the frontal defences or utilisation of flood		
	overspill areas since defence itself was the main object at that time. Thus, the wide discussion of using the		
	Haddiscoe Island marshland area above Breydon water to act as a mirror image flood overspill area for Great		
	Yarmouth and the surrounding area was not proceeded with. The option lies on the table still. Times have		
	changed now; tides are higher and it is more difficult to use the same criteria in developing frontal defences.		
	Climate change has led to an evaluation of the value of land behind the coastal defences which has become the		
	criteria for obtaining capital funds for frontal defence. Marshes at a low land level have been candidates for		
	managed retreat which also has environmental benefits for birdlife and ecology. Coastal settlements on the top		
	of low cliffs in areas such as Happisburgh, Winterton, Hemsby and Scratby with scattered dwellings close to the		
	clifftops now struggle to meet the criteria to obtain appropriate funding for their coastal defence. There are of		
	course wider considerations in the area. Perhaps that of Horsey where the defences of a series of low dunes are		

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	hold tagether by marram grace. The area was ever tanned in the 1052 fleeds with a considerable ingress of the	Response	
	held together by marram grass. The area was over- topped in the 1953 floods with a considerable ingress of the		
	sea across the marshes well inland. That flood surge, together with that of 1912, needs to be held in the memory in the present situation of sea-level rise and climate change. The Hundred Stream which is currently truncated		
	behind the dune level originally reached the sea in the mediaeval past as a branch of the river Thurne. Salt		
	ingress under the dunes in this area penetrates down the channel in the time of tidal surges and take some years		
	to disappear from the landscape. In a period of sea-level rise and more frequent tidal surges if the dune wall		
	was breached in this area again the sea ingress could run towards Potter Heigham. The North beach at Great		
	Yarmouth would appear on most occasions to be stable and held together by Marram grass in the dunes but it is		
	noted that in severe storms in the last winter the sea surge ran as far as the promenade wall again overtopping		
	much of the beach. I was the architect of Great Yarmouth Outer Harbour scheme which was model tested both		
	at the Hydraulic Research Station in Wallingford and also the Delft Hydraulics Laboratory in the Netherlands.		
	Extensive studies were carried out to see what the effect would be downstream and I was satisfied at the time		
	that Gorleston Beach would accrete. This has proved to be the case. However, at the very far end of the		
	Gorleston promenade, where lesser sand had accumulated in the historic past this remains the case. The		
	vulnerability of the cliffs at Hopton and Corton arises from a lack of offshore sandbanks to prevent direct wave		
	attack from the East. I think it will be necessary in the future to provide some further sea defence for the Outer		
	Harbour offshore of the entrance to the port as my original design, hydraulically tested provided for an		
	overlapping breakwater to the North. Another solution would be to place in the future an offshore breakwater in		
	deeper water clear of the entrance protecting the entrance itself, such as at Dover, which would both assist		
	navigation and also act as a sea defence from storm waves from the East over the offshore banks. Within the		
	river port of Great Yarmouth itself I often conducted joint schemes with the then flood authority which was		
	Anglian Water. The joint schemes involved the third when the Port Authority wished to re-pile its quays with		
	sheet steel piling. On these occasions an additional height to protect the land behind the quays was contributed		
	to by the flood defence authority thus benefiting both organisations. In terms of local authority planning I		
	remain concerned about the protection given to the West bank of the river within the tidal River Yare at		
	Gorleston and Southtown. The river frontal defences are not high and the land behind the quays is generally low		
	lying. Great Yarmouth is at risk to a local effect here in that in surge tide conditions one flood tide can be		
	succeeded with another on top of it without a significant ebb. This can result in overtopping of the defences in		
	Gorleston and there is a strong possibility of outflanking the frontal defences by ingress of high tides along		
	Riverside Road putting the lower part of Gorleston at risk. This certainly needs to be addressed at Local Authority		
	planning level in considering the interaction between adequate defence and protection of existing businesses. I		
	noted that during the recent in Inspector's Examination in Public of the proposal for a Third River Crossing of the		

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	River Yare in Southtown at Great Yarmouth the question of the constraint on tidal flows of the river resulting		
	from the projected bridge piers built into the river bed but was raised. It was admitted by the Norfolk County		
	Council, the schemes proposers', that the tidal flow would be reduced by 36% because of the structure within		
	the river. This of course would add to the inability of a surge tide to pass this point and the backing up of the		
	incoming tide would exacerbate the potential flooding in lower Gorleston over the flood defences. Further to the		
	south areas such as that of Covehithe are historically extremely vulnerable in that the high soft cliffs are		
	retreating rapidly inland. I suppose this would be considered an area which would not warrant investment to		
	protect further cliff collapses on grounds of economic assessment. However, in the north of the eastern		
	compartment the cliffs in areas such as Cromer, Sheringham, Overstrand and Trimingham are vulnerable to		
	water weight retained in the land at the top of the cliff which can cause unexpected collapses. Significant		
	collapses of this type can also be seen elsewhere in the country such as at the cliffs of Burton Bradstock		
	immediately north of West Bay in Dorset. In a period of increasing rainfall, I wonder is possible to provide some		
	piped draining through these cliffs both to stabilise and to prevent the risk of such heavy collapses. Finally, I		
	turned to the protection provided for the nationally important gas terminal at Bacton by sand feeding. I noted		
	that the recommendation was made by Dutch contractors. During the development stage of planning the Outer		
	Harbour I looked at the coastal reclamation scheme which was the brainchild of Ronald Waterman a Dutch		
	engineer and specialist in coastal hydraulics. I arranged for him to come over to Norfolk and he gave a		
	presentation on his scheme for reclamation in the Netherlands which had envisaged protection of the coastal		
	zone zones stretching from Hoek van Holland to Scheveningen, the extension of the Port of Rotterdam in the		
	Maasvlakte, and also near the extension to the ports of IJmuiden/Amsterdam. The alignment of the Netherlands		
	coast is broadly north-west to south-east whereas that in Norfolk is convex. Dr Waterman was asked at the time,		
	and this was back in the 1980's, whether a similar scheme for coastal defence could be applied in Norfolk. He		
	made the comment of the different shapes of coastline between the Netherlands and Norfolk and cited the		
	effect on movements of sand. The sand feeding of vast quantities of sand in front of Bacton may well provide		
	temporary relief for the terminal but as has been recently seen the sand can be heavily mobile and has been		
	carried south in recent storms into Sea Palling. Further investigation I feel is needed here for the long-term		
	stability of this stretch of coastline.		
Norfolk	I have asked NPS Group to send a reply for and on behalf of both Norfolk Constabulary and Suffolk Constabulary.	Comment noted.	No change
Constabulary			
RSPB (lan	The scale of change predicted for the coast is immense. Conservation organisations have or are developing	The draft SPD	No change
Robinson)	landscape-based proposals – RSPB Priority Landscape plans, Wildlife Trust Living Landscape plans. These plans	recognises the	
	look at integrating and expanding management for nature in accordance with the Lawton principle i.e. bigger,	importance of	

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	better and more connected. Integral to this land management and habitat connectivity is the need to connect	protecting and	
	people with nature and enable access to existing and 'newly created' countryside. Guidance must be available to	enhancing the	
	developers on how best to create access without diminishing the value of the landscape i.e. creating access	natural	
	routes within an area, which fragment that area and discourage wildlife from making best use of the landscape.	environment as	
		well as providing	
		public access to	
		the coast and the	
		countryside,	
		particularly in	
		relation to	
		rollback and	
		relocation	
		development.	
Natural	Objectives, page 1. It is important that objectives are long term, sustainable and have positive outcomes for	The draft SPD	No change
England	coastal communities, land and property owners, but also nature and environment. Coastal management can	recognises the	
(Victoria	provide opportunities for natural capital and ecosystem services which contribute to erosion and flood risk	importance of the	
Wight)	reduction, as well as adaptation for local communities. Section 3. We recommend that this Supplementary	natural	
	Planning Document (SPD) is informed by the ongoing Shoreline Management Plan (SMP) review and that	environment to	
	relevant changes are taken into account. Marine plans should also be considered and further information can be	people,	
	found here. Section 4, point 1. We suggest the creation and implementation of a strategic communication plan	communities and	
	to facilitate engagement with communities vulnerable to coastal change. This could be used to raise awareness	businesses.	
	by de-mystifying coastal change and explaining coastal process. Section 4, point 3. Development in the Coastal		
	Change Management Area. This could also be providing guidance as to appropriate development that could	The draft SPD	
	impact on wildlife interests, especially (but not limited to) protected sites, which are vulnerable to human	provides guidance	
	disturbance, coastal erosion and other climate-change influenced impacts. This is also highlighted in the shared	concerning the	
	aims of the Statement of Common Ground in Coastal Zone Planning for the Norfolk & Suffolk Coastal Authorities	relationship	
	(Appendix 1, page 8) which states "to protect the coastal environment, including nature conservation	between the SMP,	
	designations and biodiversity". Section 4, point 4. There needs to be a cultural change in how coastal adaptation	Local Plan	
	is perceived, roll-back can be seen in a negative light however it is important to demonstrate how it can be a	policies, Marine	
	positive adaptive measure. As stated previously, coastal management can provide opportunities for natural	Plans, national	
	capital and ecosystem services which contribute to erosion and flood risk reduction, as well as adaptation for	policy and various	
	local communities. Opportunities should be sought to explore habitat enhancement and creation through	other policy and	

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	coastal adaptation, to make space for nature and to provide room for the coast to function, so that 'if we help it,	guidance	
	it will help us'. Coastal flooding and erosion management could also be used to aid nature recovery and this is	documents.	
	something that Natural England are keen to explore with Coast Partnership East and would welcome a		
	conversation over the coming months. Section 5. The SPD, in conjunction with the relevant SMP's may be able to	The draft SPD	
	provide a strong steer and presumption against any development that increases flood and erosion risk to people,	focusses primarily	
	and in turn put pressure on wildlife sites and coastal processes.	on coastal change	
		resulting from	
		erosion of the	
		coast rather than	
		flood risk.	
		However, flood	
		risk is of course a	
		significant issue in	
		many coastal	
		locations.	
North Norfolk	Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the initial consultation documentation associated with the	Support noted.	No change
District Council	production of a joint Coastal Adaptation SPD. Please find our below an Officer level response.	The draft SPD	
(Planning		provides a policy	
Policy Team)	The emerging North Norfolk Local Plan has two coastal policies, SD11: Coastal Erosion and Policy SD 12: Coastal	context section	
	Adaptation, which are currently being finalised ahead of Regulation 19. As a Coast Protection Authority, involved	that sets out the	
	in the creation of the SPD, we wish to offer our full support in providing a joint document that will support and	various national	
	inform our emerging coastal policies.	and local policy	
		and guidance	
	For NNDC, it is particularly important that the joint SPD should usefully address:	documents	
	- clearly set out the national and strategic frameworks and the Local Plan Policies that influence coastal	relevant to coastal	
	change along the coastline, as well as informing which and how different organisations are involved and	adaptation,	
	how their roles and responsibilities interconnect;	ranging from Local	
	- give full explanations of the coastal terms used, for example, coastal erosion, coastal adaptation;	Plan policies to	
	- explain what types of temporary development would be appropriate within the 50 year and 100 year	marine planning	
	epochs of the areas designated as Coastal Change Management Areas;	and SMPs. This	
	- inform what is the required content for a Coastal Erosion Vulnerability Assessment, giving proportionate	chapter is	
	examples/ template;	supported by an	

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	 give further guidance on the protection and replacement of coastal infrastructure; (such as roads) provide case studies for each area covered from our collective authorities, such as the innovative sandscaping scheme at Bacton, but also use examples from further afield, both nationally and internationally; as part of the roll back/ relocation options, set out the likely requirements with regard to mitigation and how planning conditions and legal agreements should be used to ensure biodiversity/ environmental net 	appendix that sets out the roles and responsibilities of organisations acting on the coast.	
	gain.	The draft SPD is supported by a glossary which provides definitions for key terms, and the draft SPD has also be written in plain English to ensure it is accessible to as many people as possible.	
		The circumstances when temporary development would be appropriate within the CCMA and requirements relating to the preparation of a Coastal Erosion Vulnerability Assessment are	

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		set out in the	
		draft SPD.	
		The draft SPD also	
		contains guidance	
		relating to the	
		implementation	
		of rollback and	
		relocation	
		policies, and is	
		supported by a	
		number of coastal	
		adaptation best	
		practice case	
		studies.	
Holkham	I support the approach and have no suggestions to make which would improve it. My concern is that, going	Whilst the SPD	No change
Estate (Peter	forward, Holkham Estate is included in subsequent stages of this project – in the development of the full SPD	cannot alter SMP	
Mitchell)	draft and in particular the criteria around enabling developments. It is a concern that studies needed to firm up	policy, developing	
	the Conditional Policies in SMP5 remain outstanding as these are key to the long-term planning that is so	workable	
	important to owners of low-lying land on the coast.	guidance on	
		enabling	
		development	
		forms part of the	
		draft SPD.	