Policy Unit 5A24 Fleetlands to Quay Lane

Summary description of Policy Unit

The developed area within the relatively limited tidal floodplain includes a wide range of MOD assets and facilities. Part of the shoreline and hinterland area is located on a former landfill site. The existing defences are owned and maintained by the MOD. However the site is currently being re-allocated and maintenance of defences may transfer to the Local Authority; until this is completed MOD will continue to maintain defences. Analysis of shoreline erosion (see Appendix C5) indicates the rate and scale of coastal processes are less within the harbours than on the open coast. Inter-tidal habitats of International, European and national nature conservation importance support the adjacent and nearby SPA/Ramsar sites. Nearshore structures (e.g. pontoon, barges) provide high tide roost sites for waders and waterfowl.

Final policy options	SMP1 Ref n/a	
Epoch 1	Epoch 2	Epoch 3
From Present Day	Medium Term	Long Term
(up to 2025)	(2025 to 2055)	(2055 to 2105)
Hold the Line	Hold the Line	Hold the Line

Summary of rationale behind final policy options

The final policy options to continue to maintain the defence line reflect the MOD's intentions for future management of their defences. The flood defences will continue to provide protection to an extensive area of MOD land, a wide range of assets and facilities, transport network and infrastructure, which are located within the tidal floodplain.

If ownership or development of the site changed in the future, there may be opportunities to realign defences for inter-tidal habitat creation and environmental enhancement. Therefore, the long-term flood and erosion risk management approach for the defences will be directly linked to the MOD's operations and management of their facilities and their flood defence funding budgets to undertake necessary maintenance and improvement works

Due to the environmental designations within Portsmouth Harbour, maintenance of defence structures will result however, in the continued loss of European and national nature conservation designated habitats such as inter-tidal foreshore habitats, through coastal squeeze. These losses will need to be mitigated within the same designated area or compensated for elsewhere and delivered through the Regional Habitat Creation Programme. Opportunities for habitat mitigation and compensation have been detailed within the Appropriate Assessment of the final policies.

Policy changes through Public Consultation

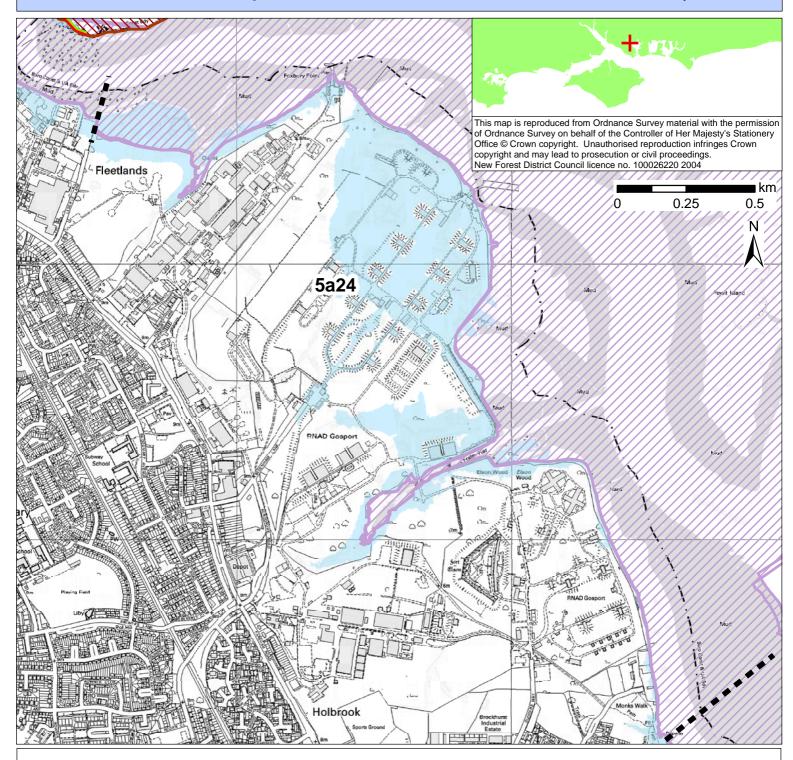
None

Funding

As long as the MOD continue to own and occupy this site, funding the identified maintenance and improvement works would need to be secured through the MOD rather than central government flood and coast defence grant in aid.

Further Studies (identified in Action Plan)

Portsmouth Harbour entrance to Portchester Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management Strategy



POLICY

From Present Day (up to 2025):	Medium-Term (2025 to 2055):	Long-Term (2055 to 2105):
Hold the Line	Hold the Line	Hold the Line

Indicative erosion zone up to 2025

Indicative erosion zone up to 2055

Indicative erosion zone up to 2105

■ ■ Policy Unit Boundary

International / National Designations

Important Heritage Sites

2115 Indicative Floodplain (1 in 200 year) provided from PUSH