



# Newsletter

Summer 2019



**The Southsea Coastal Scheme is responsible for delivering new flood defences along 4.5km of seafront, from Old Portsmouth to Eastney.**

**Our aim is to create new defences that embrace everything we all love about the seafront, whilst reducing the risk of flooding to over 8000 homes in Southsea for the next century.**

**The work will transform the seafront for future generations alongside protecting the heritage that is so important to the people of Portsmouth.**

**We also want to help stimulate further regeneration in Southsea and create a more vibrant place for residents, businesses and visitors alike.**

## Pre-planning information engagements

We're going to be back out in the community at the end of May with a series of events that will touch on some of the themes you raised at our February engagement exhibition.

At these events, we showed you the changes to the final designs based on your feedback at previous consultations. There were some key themes which came out of these so we wanted to share with you how we plan to approach these prior to submitting our planning application.

### STATIC EXHIBITION AT LUMPS FORT

(Next to the Rose Gardens, Canoe Lake, PO4 9RU):

Drop in between 10–4pm, from 27 May to 2 June.

### DROP-IN INFORMATION EVENTS

**Lumps Fort:** Monday 27 May, 1–4pm

& Saturday 1 June, 10am–4pm

**Southsea Library:** Wednesday 29 May, 1–4pm

**Eastney Community Centre:** Friday 31 May, 1–4pm

At the events, you'll see how we propose to address key themes that were raised during the February consultation, an overview of scheme activities for the next 12 months and information about the planning application process. We'll also have our team members present to assist with any queries you may have.

Don't fret if you can't make it along to the exhibition or drop-in events, all of the materials will be available online at [southseacoastalscheme.org.uk](http://southseacoastalscheme.org.uk)

## Seafront Masterplan

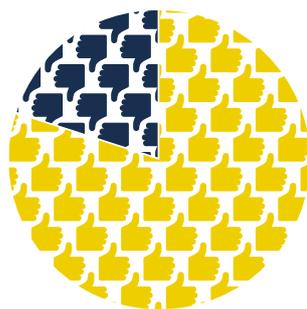
The Seafront Masterplan is a supplementary planning document which will guide improvements to the seafront and ensure that opportunities that are created by the construction of the new sea defences can be realised in the future. The second round of public consultation, outlining options for the revised Seafront Masterplan, was held during February & March. Your feedback is currently being analysed by the Planning Enabling team and will help shape the next stage of the process which involves producing a draft version of the document. This draft will be subject to a further round of public consultation, which is currently planned for Summer 2019. Details outlining how you can get involved will be shared on the Portsmouth City Council website.

## A snapshot of the February Consultation

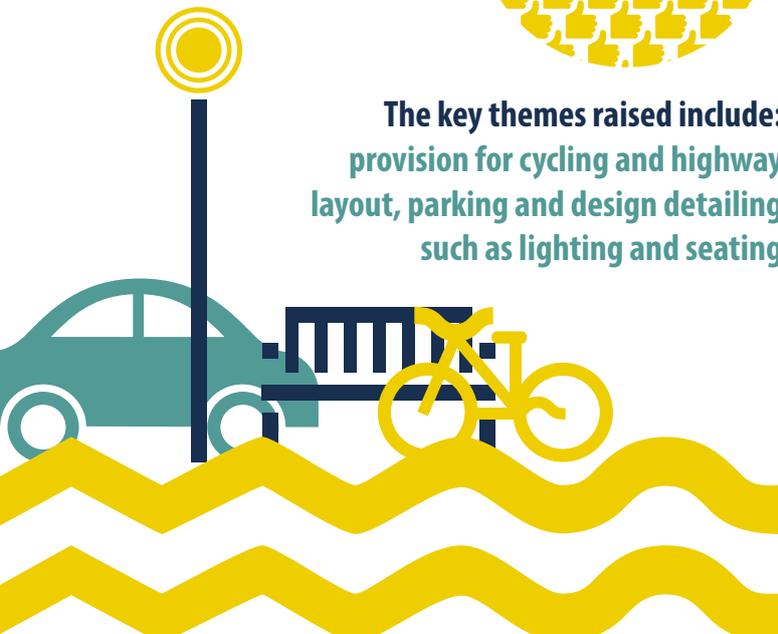
Our *You Said, We Did* consultation in February was well-attended by the public and gave us some valuable feedback on the scheme. We've put together the key points into a handy graphic below:



On average, **80%** of the public support the various defence options in the scheme



The key themes raised include: provision for cycling and highway layout, parking and design detailing such as lighting and seating



## Time for tenders

We're currently in the process of appointing our new consultant who will deliver detailed engineering designs for the scheme, providing further detail to the plans which you'll have seen at the various consultation events.

The tender went out to seven companies, all of whom sit on the Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management Consultancy Services Framework, which was set up to ensure those delivering this kind of work have the expertise for projects of this scale.

Applications closed on May 17 and we expect to appoint the successful consultant in early June.

In addition to this, we have started the process to identify a principal contractor who will be responsible for delivering the coastal defences. This contractor will provide assistance to the council and newly-appointed design consultant, with input into the detailed design and carrying out enabling works and site surveys ahead of construction on the first phase.

## What's the plan now?

Following our upcoming pre-planning information events, we will submit our planning application.

Once this is submitted, the Local Planning Authority will then undertake a period of consultation before making a decision on the application. If this is approved, construction will begin on the first phase of the seafront defences in 2020.

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