

Langstone FCERM Scheme

Summary of the January 2024 Detailed Design Public Exhibition



Langstone Flood and Coastal Erosion Risk Management Scheme Issued 12/2/2024.

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1. The Public Exhibition

In January 2024, Coastal Partners on behalf of Havant Borough Council welcomed the community to the public exhibition of the Detailed Design of the Langstone Coastal Defence Scheme. This is the latest and most detailed vision of the design proposals which have been developed with the Community and other Key Stakeholders. This event was an opportunity for the community to share support for the scheme and provide feedback on any areas for further improvement.

The exhibition was advertised over a 4-week period prior to the event via the following digital and traditional methods:

- Updated project webpages.
- E-Newsletter to more than 5000 subscribers to the Langstone Scheme e-Newsletter.
- An article in <u>December's issue of the Havant Borough Council's 'Your Borough' magazine</u>, a free magazine provided to every household within the Borough of Havant.
- Email to members of the Langstone Stakeholder Working Group.
- Email to other key contacts within the community.
- Event posters around Langstone and at the Council Offices.
- Social Media (Facebook, Instagram, X) subsequently shared more widely.

The Project Team were in attendance to bring the scheme to life and answer any questions about the proposals. Samples of many of the materials proposed were also available to view.

The drop-in session provided time to read the information boards which covered the key design aspects. These are available to view as a digital leaflet here:

<u>Langstone Scheme January 2024 Exhibition Poster Booklet by Coastal Partners - Issuu</u>

Key Information about the exhibition is included in the infographic below:

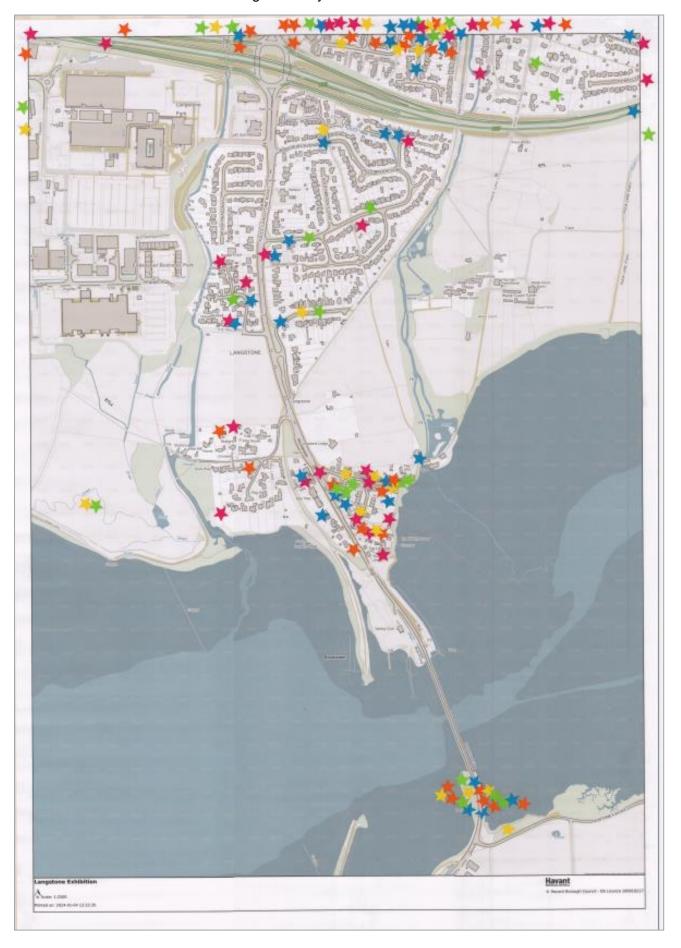
171 Attendees Langstone Quays Hotel Thursday 11th January 2024

1pm - 7pm

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Boards



During the event, attendees were asked on arrival to indicate roughly where they had visited from to enable a visual representation of the reach of the event. The mapping is shown below (with stickers showing rough indication of where visitors had attended from). Many were clustered locally in Langstone Village, with interest from the wider Havant Borough and beyond.



2. The Feedback Survey

2.1. Survey Introduction

To support this exhibition, we also sought further feedback from the community and visitors to Langstone via a survey. This survey (January 2024) focused on feedback from the exhibitions and the communities understanding of the scheme itself as presented within the exhibition posters. The survey was available as a paper copy at the event, and also online, accessible via QR code and email link.

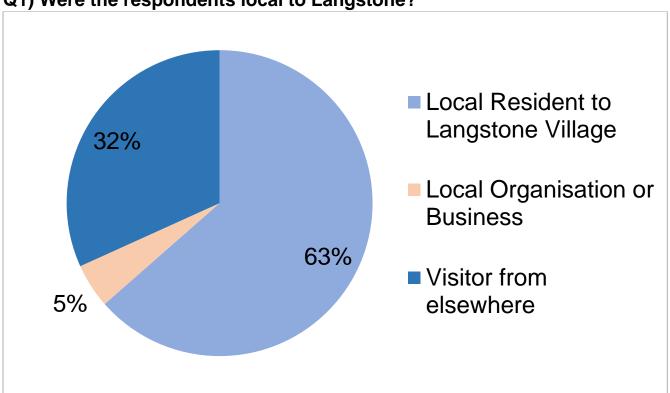
The consultation closed at the end of January 2024. Whilst the majority of submissions were online, 40% of submissions were on paper and submitted at the event itself:

35	Paper Submissions
50	Digital Submissions
85	TOTAL

2.2. Survey Results

This section sets summarises the responses for key questions up to and including the 2^{nd of} February 2024 (i.e., 3 weeks' worth of submissions). The sample size is 85 responses.





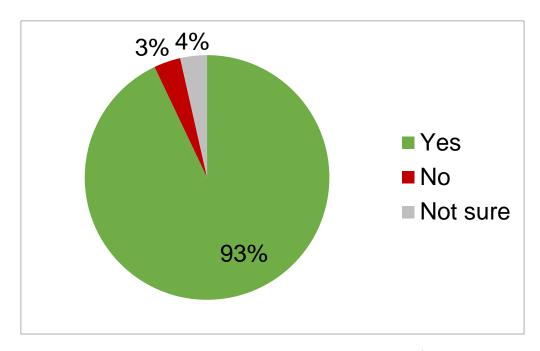
The chart above suggests that the majority of respondents identified themselves as Local Residents of Langstone Village.

56% of respondents further indicated that they lived in a PO91 Postcode (*i.e.*, the postcode for Langstone). Other majority postcodes indicated were PO11 (9%), PO9 (7%), PO92 (6%) PO93 (6%).

Q2) Did the survey respondents attend the exhibition?

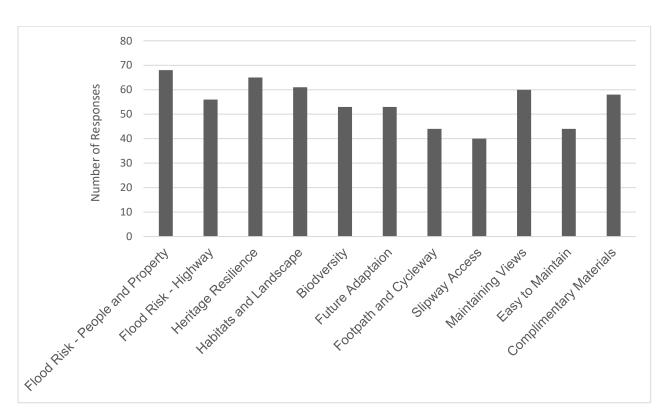
Of the 85 respondents to the survey, 76% said they attended the exhibition. Not everyone who attended the exhibition provided feedback.

Q3) Do respondents feel that there is a need for the scheme to reduce the coastal flood and erosion risk to the Langstone community?



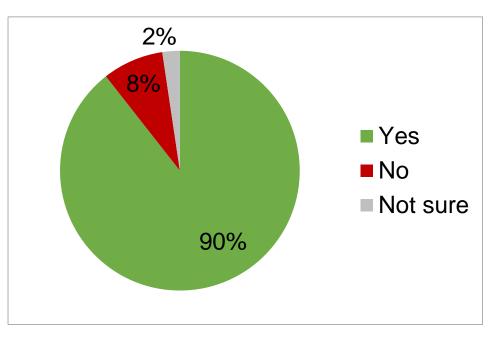
Of the 85 respondents to the survey, 93% agreed that there is a need for the scheme to reduce the coastal flood and erosion risk to the Langstone Scheme. 3 respondents disagreed and 3 said they were not sure.

Q4) Which benefits of the scheme are respondents most interested in?



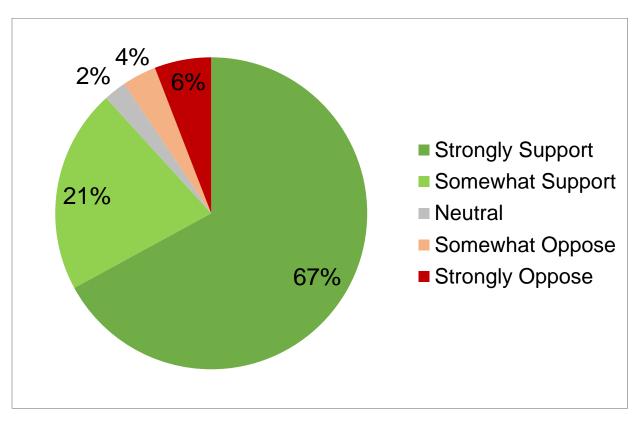
Respondents were able to select multiple interests. Reducing coastal flood and erosion risk to people and property was found to be the primary interest. Respondents were also interested in finding a solution which is complimentary to the heritage features of Langstone making them more resilient.

Q5) Subject to funds being secured, do respondents support the delivery of the Scheme?



90% of respondents said they support the delivery of the Scheme, subject to funds being secured. 8% (7 individuals) said they did not support.

Q6) To what extent did respondents support the scheme proposals?



67% of respondents strongly supported the scheme proposals, whilst a further 21% said they somewhat supported the proposals.

6% strongly opposed the proposals, with a further 4% somewhat opposing the proposals.

2% were neutral.

3. Next Steps

The survey also asked, 'Do you have any further comments on the scheme proposals?", providing an opportunity for free-text feedback. The project team will analyse this feedback and produce an updated 'Frequently Asked Question' document to respond to key points made in the feedback both at the exhibition and more widely. The aim will be to provide clarification in areas where questions continue to be made, and also highlight any outstanding key areas of concern that the community have in relation to the design and next stages. This will be available in the spring.

The design has now reached a major milestone. Together with the feedback on the exhibition, a recommendation will be made in Spring 2024 to HBC Cabinet for the next stages of the project. Construction is currently programmed for Spring 2025, subject to securing the necessary funding, licences and consents.

This exhibition summary document will be available publicly and added to the project webpages at https://coastalpartners.org.uk/langstone-detailed-design-public-exhibition.