

# Sea Defences

## 5e - Any further comments you have on Sea Defences:

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Government to give grant to protect town plus Chichester

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People doing the job

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Off shore reef a must

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part payment + government funding required. Continue concrete walk all along

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If it is left much longer you won't have to worry

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Current Sea Defence work is clearly inadequate when they really matter. No more palliative work. Need an effective solution as a result of collaborative research with locals. ? Effectiveness of off-shore reef.

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Sea Wall only solution.

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Stop wasting money on shingle which just gets washed away with tide and put proper sea defences in NOW

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The sea wall needs to be round the whole peninsular, not just bits, also an off-shore reef would obviously help.

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Just wish things could be done now not in years to come

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A proper sea wall needs to be developed

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Planning permission for properties was given, council have obligation. Stop wasting money on shale. Build a permanent structure. Lose Selsey what is loss of council tax to CDC?

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we pay high rates. Do something for Selsey Sea Defences

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Until you defend what we have, no building works should be granted. As to the answer to 5d, we already pay enough council tax.

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The council have used Selsey for housing - they should protect it

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should be paid for by government general

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Central Government should fund. Use of concrete blocks, as used in Northern France, Port of Caen and Dieppe

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5c - Sea Wall needed around whole of Selsey. Top priority above everything else. 5d answer is yes and no.

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if a coastal road was built would cure sea defences

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permission was given for houses to be built near the sea and were bought in good faith. They cannot now be abandoned to the sea and anyway where then do these people go

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Put back groins. As far as realignment is concerned, large areas reaching nearly to Chichester will be under water before too long

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feels improved shingle and off-shore reef have been tried and failed. Keep controls for many years (if possible)

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this should be a priority

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get it sorted one way or the other

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what's the point of discussing transport and housing if we don't protect what is already there?

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I think the East Beach side wall needs to be carried on all the way through to West Beach

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Allow sea to reclaim Medmerry area / Bunn site

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the whole of the district should pay as would al be flooded

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Better option is proper sea wall. You have talked for years - action is needed now, existing defences need maintaining. Just look at the state of wall at bottom of Lifeboat Way - a disgrace. WSCC - CDC - Environment Agency it is time to spend the vast amount of money we've paid in taxes

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we already pay poll tax. If everyone who visits Selsey contributed maybe a toll this could help pay for the defences

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County Council responsibility

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Government should pay for defences. People should have priority over birds and wildlife much as we like them

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Selsey residents should pay in part. Holiday camps too + residents should be consulted in full & share cost

**5e - Any further comments you have on Sea Defences:**

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there is too much talking about what to do and not enough action

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its no good improving shingle, with out something to prevent the shingle from being washed away like huge rocks

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5d - depends on how much. Maybe community and Environmental Agency working together

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why not what they have done in Bognor instead of shingle large boulders

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thought our council taxes could foot some of the bill , and a contributory scheme would be a good idea

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5d - we could contribute a small amount to it

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We pay our taxes like the rest of West Sussex and for Chichester's flood problems. After all the Sussex Coastline is an amenity for the whole of Sussex

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Sort it! We pay taxes like the rest of West Sussex and for Chichester's flood problems

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What sea defences? Does it matter what anyone thinks. Nothing is ever done. Recent events show that the shingle in no defence. Everyone has talked for years about defences but no action is ever taken. What about past ideas of car tyres

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interlocking concrete blocks in suitable shapes

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SOS seems to have the right attitudes and ideas

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not sure about means, probably a bit of all three options shown

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If money is available for the Thames Barrier No 2 and to repair Hilary Benn's sea wall outside his home in Essex, then Selsey has every right to expect government funding for its sea defences

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government should pay

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Sea could come in anywhere (who knows). Bunns already offered to pay for defences and council said no. I think its disgraceful how we are neglected here in Selsey. We pay enough council tax

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if money wasted on 'shingle bashing' had been saved other permanent sea defences could have been paid for years ago

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existing sea wall and groynes have not been adequately maintained during past 10 years. Time to put this right now

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stop wasting money on shingle on West Beach which has and still is ending up out at sea as shingle banks on East Beach.

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I moved here 2&1/2 years ago. I wrote to the Env Agency and gave my address. They wrote back and told me there had never been a flood on my property. Now it is all you hear about

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we pay rates and council tax as well as tax on income we should all stop paying and then the government would have to act

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there needs to be a sound sea wall (as built as East Beach) to prevent further destruction. The caravan site provides good economy to the area and needs to be supported

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divert funding to basic priorities country is 'awash' with money from high taxation (central and local) level

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a proper sea defence for long term not short term

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EA must be made to see the community of Selsey is here to stay and EA must do as they should and hold the line and improve

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it is the environment agencies responsibility and they must be made to pay. Too many houses have fallen in the sea. It needs doing now.

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5d - in part; 5e reefs, wave power extractors, so many options that do more than just protect the coast

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the sea wall (East Beach) could be raised as opposed to just being maintained. More should be done to help save West Sands. \*Back page

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Why were all the groynes removed from West beach so making Medmerry more vulnerable from erosion. We already pay a very high council tax. Why should we not get anything for our money by way of permanent sea defences. Which is being left to Bunn Leisure to fund out of their own pockets

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resident should pay 25 - 50% towards defences - depending on how near the sea their property is and the price of their property

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are the wood groynes being repaired / renewed / replaced

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5c - does research expect it will work (managed realignment), worth trying if practical and cheaper than improved shingle replenishment. 5d - but should all contribute a small %. 5e - shingle replenishment seems to have been swamped recently and were all drainage culverts clean to help sea water drain out?

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the sterling work the current action group is to be commended

**5e - Any further comments you have on Sea Defences:**

5c - these solutions need to be discussed and explained more to all the people of Selsey. What is off-shore reef. If it will work then yes.

hard defences at Medmerry. Stop messing about

5d - huge sums of money paid by rate payers. 5e - put groynes on West Beach and repair those on East Beach. Repair sea walls

These should be funded by national government

a proper sea defence instead of wasting money on patching it up

we need a policy in this country of government funding solely aimed at sea defences

The environment Agency should treat Selsey as a priority and not places in East Sussex i.e. Eastbourne

why did the Environment Agency lie about height of defences before flooding

do it now - central government and Bunn Leisure to fund it

fight them on the beaches is a good idea. Why not produce car stickers?

not fair to us to pay for sea defences. I couldn't afford it. I would have to leave Selsey

seek a permanent solution

action of some sort now - we need to know what our future conditions will be

Rates are extremely high already for the little we receive. The wall needs attention or it will be breached again. Off-shore reef sounds good but where is the money? I can see reasons for realignment but this is a very sensitive issue. The camp site is important to Selsey also the farmland and houses should be considered

action should be taken at once

5d - we do already

I am under the impression my council tax pays for it

we pay enough rates / lottery money could help fund it

we pay high council charges which should include protection for our houses

off shore reef system seems to work for Elmer West Sussex, why not Selsey

Sea Wall preferred. What happened to the timber groynes? (they worked)

government should pay

get the environment agency to keep to their side of the bargain

if the sea defences are not taken as a serious issue how can Selsey keep building more houses

sooner or later the sea wall will perish

the sea may come in - do not build any more houses here

government or lottery should pay for major and urgent improvements

the work on Medmerry beach does not work. The need for offshore islands is obvious and urgent

need further information on suggestions first

5a - it will be some time in the future. 5c - Sea Wall. 5e - sea wall should have been built many years ago - the money wasted on everything else was a disgrace. We could have built 10 sea walls on the money wasted on shingle etc, etc. what a saving that would have been

less talk more action

just that it is disgraceful that they are being allowed to fall into disrepair when needed most

funding should come from central government as we are all responsible for global warming

government should fund

if paying for sea defences is the only way to save property I would be prepared to pay 1/2 overall of cost per household

the breakwaters should be repaired

government spend millions of our money fighting other peoples wars, this should be spend on sea defence in this country

maintain present defences plus additional / work to maintain present line

**5e - Any further comments you have on Sea Defences:**

I have been a resident since 1969 and all I can recall is procrastination

any losses resulting from 5c should be properly compensated

5d - a small addition to council tax possible but mostly Environment Agency. 5e - more solid sea walls, such as boulders in the right places

why should there be more houses being built when nothing is being done to the sea defences

no further concrete

you had better hurry up

urgency - 'Dutch' ideas - their land is below sea level in Holland

Having Dutch friends, it might be an idea to get some feedback, to how defences from the sea are planned in Holland

cost sea defences should be met by whole district

Why are the council removing groynes in certain areas. They were put there for a purpose and that purpose hasn't changed

replacing shingle is a waste of money, the sea reclaims it. The West Beach side should have better defences which I'm sure the Bunn Company would help to protect the caravan site

having granted planning consent for houses on the front, they should be protected long term

sea wall extension on West side

action required now to be government funded

a new sea wall west beach and where required

this is a priority and should be done at no cost to the tax payer. Suggest lottery funding

repair work to broken groynes now will save future expense

we pay our council tax and income tax. Any charge for defences should be incorporated in these, bearing in mind that not only residents benefit from Selsey's existence

Selsey contributes a huge amount in taxes already. Stop wasting money on shingle

I would support any initiative to improve defences

I cannot see that sea defence will be any good in the future, if sea rises that are predicted are true, and that is for all coastal area's around England

this should be government provided

5d - partially with D.O.E. 5e - West Beach sea defences are a priority

government sending £m abroad + Europe, billions to Northern Rock. British tax money for the British

Town Council should organise drastic civil protest against government lack of concern and parsimony, with much increased media coverage. The cost of rebuilding the shingle bank for 40 years would have paid for permanent sea wall from Selsey to Emsworth

5d - some

some money contribution from Selsey residents

those who can should make a contribution but only if money already allocated is spent, not ignored. EA should honour their commitments - not actively destroy them. Protection is required for residents and businesses to maintain Selseys infrastructure

sea defence is a national issue

use finance from council tax or parking

5d - cost for the best sea defences should be made public, and then just maybe a small levy by all the public. 5e - talk has gone on about this subject for years and years and each time cost has soared. You have got to act now. It makes sense

sea defence work should start now and be made to last. Not just dumping shingle

funding should come from central government

I think a small levy on council tax should be added to support sea defence maintenance / improvement and if residents want to contribute then there should be facilities for them too. Businesses should also pay towards sea defence

**5e - Any further comments you have on Sea Defences:**

maybe if we were to repair sea groynes rather than removing them as health and safety hazards it would help. I feel currently a large sea wall should be put in place with a rock revetment in front to dissipate the wave energy. We should be allowed to go into the SSI layer as this won't be of any use anyway when washed away. Initiatives on salt marshes should be forgotten about as they are a waste of land and it would be unnatural anyway

sea walls and break waters need maintenance not left neglected

proper maintenance / improvement should be policy

5d - all or in part? 5e need to know more about off-shore reef

Government finance have a direct responsibility and not residents

should be the responsibility of central government as whole country depends on adequate defences

should have proper sea wall. Government to aid

the sea wall needs regular attention and repair

come on, these beaches (especially West Sands) have needed a proper concrete wall for all my life and I'm 70 years old now, so what are you waiting for

5c - the average person is not competent to answer. 5d - the shore line is the nations no Selseys. 5e - must we wait until defence work costs 3 times as much before we start on it

residents council tax contributions should be assigned relative to the area needs, in Selsey = sea defences. Do residents of Chichester pay for river defences?

the EA like some other government agencies seems pretty hopeless - devoid of simple common sense

better maintenance of groynes

5d - with government help. 5e our wall is in need of urgent repair @ Wescroft, West St, PO20 9HD

5d - yes and no

it should be a government priority. Selsey now then Chichester at risk

the Dutch people seem to have control of the situation, even building towns on land reclaimed why can't we? Have lived in Holland 27 years

use money we are always giving to other countries

This is a world issue. We are all to blame. What happened to our council. Not enough by the government is being done

5c - whatever is necessary. 5e - to secure the long term safety of Selsey experts need to advise what is needed and then the costs need to be found

transfer much of the excess shingle on East side back to the West

moving shingle year after year total waste recouping shingle back by dredging. What's wanted secondary wall or raise existing wall

sea defence should be paid by government

replace groynes at West Beach

I am not directly affected, but understand the local problems. Council tax should pay

5c - probably needs a mixture of all. 5e - West Beach caravan park and house is on flood lands anyway and no more building should go on. The sea should be allowed to come in on a managed level in that area

maintain existing line

whilst answering no to 5d, as a resident I would be prepared to contribute annually within reason

The meetings on this subject and the reports I have read are that residents want to hold the present line and repairs carried out. This appears to have been conveniently omitted from you options

We are of course a bunch of bigheads. None of the present solutions may be correct. We should go to the Dutch for consultancy - they would solve it in their coffee break

don't we pay community charges and taxes

1. Some permanent repairs are required. 2. Local people in Chichester etc did not pay when they were flooded

sea defences should be centrally funded. If Sunderland or Hartlepool were threatened, billions would be made available

Selsey needs protection / people need protection

**5e - Any further comments you have on Sea Defences:**

get going - delay costs

Sea Wall on west side. If the government had carried the east wall round to the west 30 years ago we would not have this problem

keep the existing sea wall in good order

we have been left to get on with it. This issue has gone on for too many years. We need action now or it will be too late

certainly areas of housing should be protected first. It is of importance to the whole country and should not be decided by quango

with council tax going up and electricity, we cant afford to pay for this. What is our council tax paying for then

pay enough in council tax and taxes

Chichester council has had money from rates for years, so should spend more on sea defences as this is on our doorsteps, to people inland they don't see what happens at the coast and they are not bothered

visitors should pay a small tax toward sea defences. West Sussex Council should contribute as the area is a holiday attraction. Local people are presumably already paying through Council Tax. The idea in a letter in Chi Obs of April 3rd to use non-contaminated spoil from the demolition of Chi barracks to build up Selsey Sea Defences should be explored further  
improved sea wall

some contribution towards defence work by all residents would be reasonable but coupled with substantial increase and commitment of central funding

national responsibility

not able to give any answer to 5c as I do not understand the implications

5d - only as a contribution to a national commitment. 5e - please please at least maintain the sea wall. Don't wait for more of it to fall into the sea

very large rocks should be placed in the sea

sad to think defences may be too late

urgent action required

5d - to a certain degree. 5e - can the present defences be maintained and improved if necessary?

5c - option must be suit suite local conditions. 5d - only as part of country or regional scheme

if sea defences are not improved then development is foolhardy

why were the groynes removed from West Beach

the sea defences (medmerry) have been allowed to decline. Indeed helped along by removing groynes. The government should wake up and do something constructive to save the town and surrounding areas and tell Natural Earth or whatever to take a running jump. They don't live here WE DO

re 5d - not affordable by most residents

hold the line and sustain defences as sea levels rise

left it too late. Time the government forked out

Bunns should pay 50% cost to sea wall from coastguard tower to the end of West Sands

I believe that the whole idea of sea defences is a complete farce. This is so because if the County Council actually took up residence in Selsey, sea defences would not be an issue and it would not be left to the people of Selsey to try and deal with the problem

shingle replenishment is a waste of money. By the nature of it and the sea it will only ever wash away

better examination and consideration of low cost methods of diminishing effects of wave motion, i.e. boulder banks

something of a permanent nature needs to be implemented

Bunn companies should pay for their own sea defences

I am not qualified in sea defences so cant make a decision

SOS are doing a grand job but we need to get behind them 100%

makes no sense to build housing and industrial whilst not maintaining sea defences

**5e - Any further comments you have on Sea Defences:**

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couple off-shore reef with wind turbines. Make Selsey self sufficient for energy

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stop patching up the damage and build a proper sea defence. Current flooding has caused a significant reduction in visitors to the village and had a great impact on trade

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keep the groynes maintained

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new housing estates should not have been approved unless sea defence work had been planned and approved

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why do we all wait with nothing done so that eventually it is too late. We all know that is what DEFRA and EA want don't we? Pity we don't have a parliamentary minister living here. If we did things would be different

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more publicity about the situation of Selsey's coast

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current council tax should be better used locally to provide solutions to sea defence issues

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it is not only Selsey who would suffer flooding

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should be paid for by county with grants from government and European community

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funding should be combination of central and local sources

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5c - expert advice required. 5e - this community is as important as other more affluent ones along the coast and inland i.e. Chichester. We are being exploited with more hosing etc, but not protected from possible future 'natural' destruction

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ref 5d - so should the West Sussex County Council and the Environments Agency and Central Government

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on West Beach side (West street to Bunns) further erosion should be prevented

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we pay enough tax, government should pay

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5c - maintenance of existing sea wall. Off shore reef depending on implication for rest of coastline. 5d - but only as part of national scheme for funding sea defences. 5e - This is a national, in fact, international issue it requires wide ranging strategic long term decision making at the highest level. Lack of compensation for loss is unfair but a 'not in my back yard' philosophy is counter productive. Fighting nature everywhere is unsustainable - we need to look for the positives

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what is needed is a continuing sea wall

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inadequate

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stop putting shingle to wash away, use tyres

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proper sea wall. Money for sea defence must come from Central Government

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rebuilding . Repair and maintenance of existing sea walls / defences should be a priority and should be carried out without delay

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Rates and government departments should focus on preservation of existing housing and beach facilities

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5d - partly. 5e - repair and strengthen wall - managed realignment inevitable at West Sands park

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shingle is not the answer the sea would wipe it away. Off shore boulder reef to break up the waves is the only practical answer

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shingle just gets washed away

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I would like to see more done to the sea wall and if the shingle was pushed down the beach each spring instead of just clearing the path it would take longer to get back up onto paths again

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the environment agency are a disgrace and all higher up the agency and at DEFRA should be held responsible for the flooding on 10-3-08 they are not doing their job

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If only a few homes were at risk perhaps realignment. However, there are thousands of people and homes at risk. This shouldn't even be a question, should be under construction now.

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holidaymakers pay plenty plus we pay enough - time we got something back for it

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council should pay more

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let sea flood through the ranges (take off the pressure). Pagham Harbour has not changed in 200 years

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should have been done 20-30 years ago

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a priority in this area. The environmental people don't seem to help us enough

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urgent

**5e - Any further comments you have on Sea Defences:**

5d - perhaps a contribution. 5e - ?use of tyres

we need a wall to defend Selsey

payments for the above should be paid by West Sussex Council, Bunn Leisure, Environment Agency - they get enough of our money

should be paid for by county council or government

proper central government spending on a sea wall (or something that works)

make the authority spend the money designated instead of sitting on it

as money was spent at Bognor Regis seafront from Aldwick to Middleton with a superb wall etc. Why cant this be done in Selsey, which is no longer a village, but a small town with a large population and many businesses

it seems people outside of Selsey could not give a toss about our sea defence problems. The government should be made aware of our plight instead they throw millions of pounds to other countries at a drop of a hat

government should pay

5d - maybe 50/50

5c - sea wall right along gradually. 5d - paying a small amount extra when buying properties could help. 5e - much more should be done to protect Selsey from the sea. We all need to help keep our town flourishing

residents should help, council and government don't have bottomless pockets

50% Selsey and all of Chichester, or Chi's so called eco-village will have to be built in a bubble

WSC Council - we pay enough council tax

5d would agree to partial contribution

5a - I worry about it very much. 5c - I would support the BEST solution to keep us safe. 5e - I think it is immoral and against our human rights to build new houses / enlarge town and then leave us without any defences. How dare the EA and Government put sea marshes for wild life before the safety of human beings!

stop wasting money on shingle and build a decent sea wall

there should be a larger drainage pipe. To allow the overtopping sea water back into the sea

5d - we should pay a reasonable contribution

shingle replenishment is a waste of time and money. Like the A27 a proper permanent defence should be built which is cheaper long term

Bunn leisure should pay for his part

5d - we pay enough in taxes already. 5e - long overdue. If government paid their own TV licences, home improvements etc There would be money available

less talk more action

5d - shared. 5e - sea defences should be adequate to protect the whole area whenever is needed

if the issues are not faced now on proper management (sea defence) will the survey matter!

the people who make the most money from holiday makers should contribute more

I bought a house when sea defences were maintained I therefore expect them to be maintained or I should be fairly compensated

5d - shared. 5e - sea defences should be made to protect the whole area

building sea wall or make a coastal road

sea defences by government

5d - not to excess, but if every household paid a nominal amount for peace of mind (most have chosen to live at coast)

I say no to 5d because Chichester is a wealthy council and here in Selsey we get very little benefit from the exorbitant tax we pay

yes a sea wall on West Beach the same as East Beach

suggest giant interlocking boulders as in Spain or Tenerife

property developers wanting to build should pay into a sea defence fund before being allowed planning permission

**5e - Any further comments you have on Sea Defences:**

as a resident who was born here its sad to see the sea defences not kept up to date

the problem needs to be dealt with promptly

5b - didn't know enough to comment

the groynes from Medmerry were removed some 5 years ago. They should have been replaced

5c - permanent concrete sea defence walls should be built and financed by environment agency. 5e - the £60,000 spent on the monstrosity at the entrance to Selsey (the wave) should have gone towards sea defences

take some form of action against the wilful negligence by environment agency

re 5c - whatever the experts think is best

the sea defence is Britain's coastal defence in Selsey not just Selseys sea defence

stop the fishing boats being left in the promenade flood gaps, the sleepers should be able access put in at all times

improve sea wall. We need a sea wall to west sands

perhaps a sea wall like East Beach all along would solve the problem

5d - many could not. 5e new development surcharge

a sea wall like East Beach to follow all around

sea wall like East Beach would be better

the groynes should never have been taken away

all the local fishermen and sailors etc all consider the use of off-shore reefs, the shape of the Peninsula - lends itself to this form of coast protection, also the shallow sea beds that are offshore should suite off-shore reefs

thorough examination by experts and government funding to protect a lovely piece of the country

needs pemmee logune i.e. you would see this in Spain or Portugal. When the sea comes in and out with boulders in wire net cases so they don't move

5b - although sea defences work should be carried out on all points of Selsey to maintain the integrity of existing defences

put up (build ) proper sea defences - shingle replacement is a waste of money

study other counties who have solved the problem

Selsey Council monocular on this - more important issues ignored

why should we be made to pay for sea defences. We pay enough as it is anyway

5d - some

hold the line

5c - I'm not an expert so how do I know? We are paying £1000s to agencies to do this for us. 5d - I thought we already were in taxes etc. 5e - put a government minister in Selsey and the problems would vanish

sea defence is a national issue and should be treated as such

money must come from central government

the shore line is a county if not country amenity and should be paid for by all

present defences could be a problems in future years

more people need to be aware of the importance of 'holding the line' and not thinking it will only affect the caravan park and not them

sea defences are for the future of everyone

5d - a modest contribution could be justified. 5e - Perhaps continue the sea wall from Hillfield Road end through to Brackelsham

we should have sea walls also built all along our coast. All the money spent on shingle for years could have been put to better use, walls etc

needs sorting as they have been on shingle replenishment since the 70s

get a move on

**5e - Any further comments you have on Sea Defences:**

we are paying for shingle just to go up the coast further. Why not get the job done properly in the first place. This has been going on since I was a little girl. I watch the holiday homes fall in the sea at the West Beach. That was over 45 years ago

5c - whatever is most effective and long lasting. 5d - they could contribute towards the cost. 5e - effective employing / clearing of sluice gates

no point in building roads or houses if Selsey is to be left to the sea

sack the EA

5c - replacement and repair of groynes and sustain all sea walls. 5d - some should be prepared to. 5e - all sea defences should be sustained and off shore reef provided. Some self help could be organised with repair work

I am sick of paying for shingle to be used to shore up the beach - the west beach holiday camp and houses should never have been built

I believe the council tax that is paid by every householder should have a portion ring fenced for cost of sea defences

this problem is not going to go away and people shouldn't have to worry about losing their homes

Sea defences should be a national responsibility. Shingle banks consisting of round stones will never hold unless large sustainable boulders or other means to prevent sprint tides dragging shingle away. Whose bright idea was it to remove the groynes on the west side. What ever happened to the large concrete blocks (?anti Tank) that used to be on the West side / Medmerry

who ever decided to remove the groynes from West Sands? Is partly responsible for flooding

Selsey residents should only pay towards sea defences if it is used for Selsey sea defence; not diverted from projects in constituencies of the present governments MPs

not sure what the options mean but get the defences done as soon as possible

The Dutch are the best in the world when it comes to sea defences. They have done an amazing job around the man made islands out at sea in the middle east. To make sure that the sea moves around them and not over them and that there are no areas of stagnant ocean

we pay enough in all types of taxation why should we pay to live here

2 sea walls

off shore reef would appear to be most efficient, but possibly cost-prohibitive, so continue with shingle replenishment if its possible

this should be a priority and government funded

government should help for the future of Selsey

re 5d - contribution only

try old tyres concrete filled. Chichester to be responsible

help from government / lottery

this should be priority spend

East Beach ok for now but the future?

governmental aid should be available to help improvements

doing small sections i.e. Bunn developments seems to throw the water elsewhere causing more problems

recent events show that much stronger defences are needed - so more work and less talk

it is no good keep on scraping and piling up shingle, please consider building concrete or boulders behind to stop this washing away

We already pay towards the sea defences, a lot higher charge would be difficult

a sea wall as a permanent sea defence

this should be a priority for the government - nationwide

a straight forward sea wall would be fine

why build so close to the sea?

5d - a reasonable amount would be ok, but the government would expect us to pay it all

just be truthful

## 5e - Any further comments you have on Sea Defences:

The government and council agreed to all the new houses to be built in Selsey so they should foot the bill for the sea defence something permanent must be done now.

certainly not adequate

build solid permanent wall that was proposed 50 years ago

If the job had been done in the right way in the beginning we would not have these problems now

Fruitless exercise to replenish shingle beach on west side as it is washed away each winter

Why should we pay for coastal defences when the likes of Chichester have not been asked to pay for their 'additional' flood defences? (which I might add were put in place swiftly with no quibble about cost or viability)! Why is our precious coastline not seen as an important part of our current and future heritage? Also the Environment Agency are to blame for a good proportion of the damage that has taken place recently. Just two instances: 1. Why did they take the groynes out only at Selsey? 2. Contrary to what they say, why are the shingle beds not kept up to spec? Please see this month's Selsey Life magazine and read the damning report on the Environment Agency's total lack of efficient backup prior to the recent inclement weather. Let them put some money back! They owe us!

funding should be from government not local

we pay into council tax for this! Council should pay!

The east side is very easy to defend. West side needs a reef

money for work should come from government allocated funds

too little - too late

why not complete the sea wall and keep in good repair and take all actions possible to prevent flooding

should be paid for by government

SOS - hold the line

fully maintain present position

build a sea wall

they should have done it 30 years ago. By now any money spent then will have been recouped

why should Selsey residents pay for it when holiday makers get the benefit of it

5d - all those on the manhood who would be affected. 5e - stop wasting money on shingle and build permanent defences

repair existing groynes on East Beach. Stop throwing shingle and use granite blocks

use old tyres to form a barrier

why not a sea walk way as at the East side

a permanent sea defence wall along the water front, this could be done with disused car tyres

sea defences should be a priority for national government, relevant County Councils and Local Councils.

start defence work as soon as possible. Paid for by Government loans. Repay over the years by a lottery fund. Such as been used for paying for sports stadiums

could incorporate a marina (would bring in some revenue)

5c - new sea wall!!! 5e - yes get a grip before its too late

too much money and time spent on consultations - action needed urgently

too much money and time wasted on consultants who so far are only guessing what might happen

I would be prepared to pay something extra myself towards sea defences if I knew that it would actually happen. We don't need any more coastal strategies and studies. Ie less talk and more do

we need this in place very quickly

I think the general lack of repair is dreadful. When Chichester City had flooding the amount of work and finance was staggering by comparison

sea walk from Selsey to Witterings

5d - lottery money and EEC. 5e - very urgent - type of defence to be decided by experts

sea wall at West Beach as built in the 50s at East Beach

**5e - Any further comments you have on Sea Defences:**

these are national problems. More thought should be given as to the loss of rateable value if property is lost to sea

a proper sea defence is needed - no more holding the line

let some of the money collected in rate monies pay to keep Selsey the quite peaceful seaside town it always has been

loose shingle has been used now for years and will never consolidate to form a permanent answer of defence, studies of the way the dutch solve the problem in Holland could be far better and the money we have spent over the past years could be paid for something better

5c - plus a sea wall. 5e - more use should be made of Gabions, as they dissipate wave energy but remain in place, unlike shingle

off shore reef might attract tourism - eco and surfing?

use more rocks for defences shingle washes away

honestly I don't know enough details, through my own fault

absolutely against letting sea take over

the government and the local council are responsible

as stated in property deeds at time of purchase - sea wall is council's responsibility

stop having all these consultations which have been going on for years 20+ and still no decision. All this money could have gone to proper sea defences then we wouldn't have this problem. Medmerry could have been developed and a new road to the Witterings would have eased the traffic a lot on the B2145. Why not build a wind farm on Medmerry, the developer would then pay for sea defences. Problem solved or a Marina, but council is not interested

without them there will be no Selsey. Since Selsey is enjoyed by all and sundry, Selsey residents should not have to subsidise others or lose their homes. The government should foot the bill. The sea wall and some groynes need repairing before East Beach has a major problem

government and EA should be protecting all vulnerable areas. In Selsey's case this involves not just a few houses but a whole town

shingle replenishment has resulted in the loss of sandy beaches. Wheelchair friendly promenade as part of the sea defences

the longer the debate goes on the longer the bill

yes build a proper sea defence now and forget it. every year the cost goes up more and more

possibly investigating the methods other countries employ to keep back water ie Holland. Not sure that the options mentioned are the best / only methods available

the government have enough money so why can't they do it instead of spending it on crap for themselves

5d - I wouldn't mind paying if everyone paid £10 or something, but the EA should pay

do something / anything

put back the groynes

act now

put back the groynes

residents are already paying more than enough in taxes - government should pay

isn't there some provision in the community charge? What about the lottery? EU funding?

no maintenance by environment department - sea defences - walls - groynes

other permanent solutions on offer should be considered rather than the financial waste of the temporary shingle bank

How much was spent on Chichester Flood defences without months of consultation? Money should be pooled from as many resources as possible, including Chichester Council - Sea Defences not another museum

I wholly endorse the creation of a 'new pagham harbour' nature reserve /wildlife habitat - on what I sincerely hope to soon be the former caravan park

present shingle replenishment is an inadequate answer

5d - in part

it needs to be resolved quickly before any more serious damage is done

build to accommodate rising sea levels. Wall or reef and break the power of the waves

**5e - Any further comments you have on Sea Defences:**

I don't think we need to pay for defences as our council tax bill is expensive for the facilities we supposedly have

5c - there are other ways that can be used in conjunction with shingle

highly urgent - visit Holland

Chichester should also pay as it is CDC that grants planning approval for more houses

5d - 50/50

I get very concerned for residents living so near the sea, why pay so much for lorries bringing in shingle day in day out, the sea is swallowing it

sea defences should be repaired and maintained

less talk more action

sea defences are really a problem for the whole country

5d - would be willing to pay in part

action must be taken NOW

whatever you decide on 5c, the sea will do what it wants. It cannot always be controlled

frontages should caveat emptor. Erosion started when the channel flooded and the IOW was separated. No tinkering with bits of rock, concrete or junk will make any difference

are land owners at all responsible for land adjoining coasts as they are with river frontage

5d - partial. 5e - sea defence needs to be actioned ASAP

sadly parliament officials don't live here, otherwise we would have adequate defences

replace groynes again on all beaches

defences should be maintained seriously, not tinkered with. Groynes not maintained properly. Hold the line all round

every home in Selsey should be protected

People of Selsey pay taxes and Council tax already and should not have their homes destroyed when action to save them should be taken

lack of maintenance on East Beach groynes

we pay council tax, surely if you live at the coast it goes towards it

The government and council should pay for defences. We want the defences not just repaired but a hold the line policy

we are all taxed enough. Some central government help should definitely be forthcoming

wall should have been continued from East to West years ago at 1/10 of today's cost

I am very much in favour of off-shore wind farm providing protection and electricity for Selsey

should remove rubbish from streams, branches etc stopping water from going back

build a sea wall it should have been done 10 years ago. Protect people's properties, don't let the sea win. Should be paid for by government or lottery

5d - as we do not have street cleaning, bins emptied weekly, beach cleaning, no policeman on the beat, we already pay. 5e - I believe the shingle replenishment is futile

the nation should help pay for the sea defences all over the country, we all lose if the sea is permitted to take houses and land

we pay anyway in rates, taxes etc

don't keep wasting time and money do a proper job

Property owners with private sea walls should maintain their walls. No public access, no public funds. It has been a total waste of money for years shovelling shingle on Medmerry beach

I believe the best form of defence should be the best most cost effective for this area

Residents should only pay if absolutely necessary. Why have the EA taken away the sea defences like groynes and deep trenches that were filled in a year ago - along sea by windmill footpath

but we shall anyway with taxes or council tax

**5e - Any further comments you have on Sea Defences:**

present shingle replacement will cost millions if continued. Permanent defence better and more cost effective in long term  
money should come from government / some from Bunns who make the most money from visitors, who visit our sea side town

5c - If Elmer / Middleton had off-shore reef built, also an artificial island, why can't Selsey do likewise? 5d - probably a small proportion, but the real onus lies with central government. 5e - why were the groynes removed? Couldn't they be re-instated? If not why not?

its central governments responsibility for the defence of this country

government has moral duty to finance this as for a war

building of a sea wall from the coast guard tower toward Bracklesham

should be funded by central government

sea wall should be repaired without delay. Groynes require regular maintenance

SOS have good practical ideas refer to them. Also sea wall could be improved and extended. What about a road from Selsey to Bracklesham and Witterings

not a priority for me personally but I have sympathy for East Beach side. Invest in tidal and wind power as part of realignment

more rocks for West Beach

we pay enough council tax it should be the government

5d - in certain circumstances contribution to costs. 5e - limited evidence available re how effective managed realignment would be. A number of creative options are available, self financing and should be given careful consideration

After March breach / need further discussion and plans

many residents bought houses because they already lived here from childhood and sea wall was there so assumed it was going to be maintained especially as more houses have since been built

re 5c - this is a matter for experts. Given that the major residential developments have been in response to government priorities costs of sea defences should be borne by central exchequer funds

we already pay - its called council tax

need tackling urgently

sea defence work should come from our existing tax

off shore reefs (follow other countries)

off shore reefs would break up force of waves but also create a leisure lagoon in shore

should be a priority fr all who live here now and future generations to come

Bunns and other private developers = marina as in Brighton that would attract the money - see Chichester marina

invest in tidal and wind power as part of coastal realignment

removal of groynes does appear cause of loss of shingle

although I don't live near to the sea it should be a concern for all in Selsey as we are all vulnerable if left unprotected from the sea and its power

5c - I got very confused 'managed realignment' is not coast defence

the economic and social costs of not defending are the key issues, and STC being willing to say theses aspects are more important than so called 'environmental benefits' of realignment, and that blight will affect us all

the EA have totally abdicated their responsibilities to the community

the holiday makers also use Selsey. Chichester would lose revenue ie c.tax etc if they withdrew

we already pay through taxes. If the caravan parks go so does a lot of Selseys income

this should be paid for by the government, round all the coastal areas of Britain

whose responsibility is it - all seem to be leaving it to the residents

a had buttress should be built (same as East Beach) on the West Beach through to West Wittering

## 5e - Any further comments you have on Sea Defences:

5d - not just to residents - also depend on final costs of scheme and options chosen. 5e - We need to build a sea defence solution that is sustainable in the longer term - realignment is the right way to go, but adequate compensation for landowners is needed for this to work

should be on council top priority list

the council should pay for good defences

they should only pay if they want to donate

they should be strong

it needs to be done

maintain sea wall. We pay local authority tax - for Chichester for example

Residents affected should be compensated by central government. Off-Shore reef is working in Venice - so possible - however massive caravan park shouldn't get any bigger. A managed retreat would create much better coastline visually, ecologically be more economic. Caravans placed so close to sea should expect damage to happen during winter if they are not relocated

sea defences are a must

why should e pay to protect an area, surely government funding should be made available

5d - you keep building houses. 5e - a permanent sea defence should have been implemented before it was decided to turn Selsey into a town

sea should be allowed to flow in to Bunns site a natural feeding site for birds, caravans placed further back. Stop wasting money and time piling up shingle

there was a suggestion some time ago to use large tyres as a means of coastal defence - what happened to that?

sea wall all the way to East Head

this subject should be tracked urgently instead of talking and brushing it away. There should be a Sea Wall all round

sea defences should be government task

5d - district responsibility. 5e - extension of existing style of sea wall to all exposed areas over the long term

every household including caravan owners a one off payment, or every person who lives in Selsey pays a fee

a complete sea wall should be offered as an option which may have higher initial costs but lower maintenance. Stop off shore gravel extraction

as regards who pays - if the sea is allowed to flood, the next place will be Chichester so its not just Selsey that sea defences are protecting

Absolute priority with something permanent that allows for future rising sea level / climate change. Why were the groynes removed at West Sands - seems mad to me

stop wasting money on shingle replenishment - it doesn't work

central government should fund all defence work

urgent action needs to be taken to safeguard for the future of Selsey - action not continuous words only

Bunn Leisure should carry on paying a good percentage as they benefit the most

new groynes where needed

only if adequate brick work - or rock as Bunns are. We believe that bringing in and out shingles is a waste of financial resources. Residents should be allowed a beach good enough to enjoy for all ages. Pebbles are bad for the feet

Sea and river flooding are national issues and should be funded nationally. My taxes have paid for lots of services I haven't used

stop wasting millions of pounds on gravel, build a solid sea wall, East side of Selsey is proof it can work

we pay enough now without paying for defences as well. There should be a Sea Wall all round Selsey

Do what the Dutch have done, get help from them, the government should pay for it - not us

If sea defences are not put in place, Selsey will not survive. If Bunns is flooded none of our shops will survive and the town will fail to survive

Coastal defence is (should be) a government issue. Government should be using tax payers money

**5e - Any further comments you have on Sea Defences:**

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support for St Richards hospital first

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use the ex MOD property as realignment

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recent flooding and storms show the need for more work

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government should pay and should start right away. They should stop wasting money on reports by 3rd rate agencies and get on with it

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All tax payers should contribute to flood defences on coast and vulnerable inland areas. Need to lobby government to take responsibility and impose tax fairly on all and over any withdrawals of insurance cover, so gov will take on more responsibility, as in many other european countries

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My personal opinion is no matter how much money is expended the sea will eventually win

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we must support those already affected

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local and national government have allowed building on flood plane they should be responsible for protecting that development

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act now not later

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Re-alignment is just delaying and making it costlier in the future

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We need to consider our local position, and also national conditions. I feel strongly there should be a national system of compensation for people who suffer from coastal erosion

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I have not seen any proposed details of an offshore reef

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It is beyond comprehension that half of Selsey could go to the sea, whilst the other half could have hundreds more homes built. Where is the sense. Safety of existing residents should be a priority, and thinking about future generations, not scoring short term brownie point trying to build a way out of a so called housing crisis, it doesn't work. Councillor with a load voice would be refreshing

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mixture of funding through EC funding, privates and council tax