



Hopetoun Coastal Hazard and Risk Management Adaptation Plan

Introduction

Our coastlines are constantly changing – from natural events, climate change and from the presence of built infrastructure. The Shire’s coastline is highly valued for its natural environment, landscape and sandy beaches. Within the Shire, Hopetoun beaches are amongst the most visited.

The Hopetoun region has been identified as an ‘erosion hotspot’ (where coastal erosion is expected to impact on public and private physical assets within 25 years). Therefore, the Shire is developing a Coastal Hazard Risk Management and Adaptation Plan (CHRMAP) to understand ‘coastal hazards’ and ‘risks’ that may impact the coastline in the future and what the options are for managing those.

Project Timeframes

- **Stage 1 Establishing the context** – Gaining an understanding of the local context and community values - December 2021 - February 2022
- **Stage 2 Risk identification** – Technical investigation to understand the coastal risks - January - May 2022
- **Stages 3 Vulnerability analysis** – Technical investigation to understand the vulnerability of the coast- May – July 2022
- **Stage 4 Risk evaluation** – Technical investigation to evaluate the risks – July-August 2022
- **Stage 5 Risk Treatment** – Identification of risk treatment options - July-August 2022
- **Stage 6 Implementation Plan** – Preparation of short, medium and long term implementation plan – August – September 2022
- **Stage 7 Monitor and review** – Preparation of “monitoring plan - September 2022
- **Stage 8 Final CHRMAP** – Preparation of the draft and final CHRMAP - September 2021 - March 2023

Getting Involved

There will be multiple opportunities to get involved with the project. The first is at a community workshop scheduled for **20 January 2022**, at the Hopetoun Community Centre. To register your interest for this event, please RSVP to the Shire’s project manager, Natalie Bell on (08) 9839 0000 or pm@ravensthorpe.wa.gov.au or use the link below.

<https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/HopetounCHRMAP>

Future engagement opportunities include:

- Completing a community values survey – scheduled for February 2022
- Attending community workshop – scheduled for June 2022
- Completing an adaptation options survey – scheduled for June 2022
- Commenting on the draft CHRMAP – scheduled for late 2022

Information will be made available on this webpage.