

THE CORNWALL AND ISLES OF SCILLY SHORELINE MANAGEMENT PLAN REVIEW (SMP2)

PROGRESS UPDATE - NOVEMBER 2009

The Client Steering Group (CSG) has now met 9 times and the Project Management Group, which deals with the day-to-day contract delivery of the Review, has met on many more occasions

Stages 1 and 2 of the SMP are now substantially complete, although the stakeholder database will continue to be updated throughout, as new stakeholders register or existing ones change.

In December 2008, a letter enclosing a Questionnaire was sent out to all potential stakeholders. The letter asked them to respond and register - preferably on line at the website address shown below, either an interest in the Review process or the ability to share coastal data which they may possess. Together, with information already gleaned a database containing more than 400 data sources has been produced and there are now over 500 stakeholders registered.

Following a procurement process, Haskoning UK Ltd, were appointed in January 2009, as the technical consultants for the Review. Work was immediately commenced on the Stage 2 Assessments to Support Policy Development. Data collation work for this, included visiting local authorities and coastal group partners, to acquire information. The outcomes of Stage 2 have included a Theme Review and the Evaluation and Classification of Objectives.

Work is now progressing on the Stage 3 Policy Development tasks, which include policy definition, assessment and options identification, and this will eventually lead to the publishing of draft preferred policies for comment.

Throughout the SMP Review, engagement with stakeholders is a key element, as is consultation with elected members. In this regard, Elected Members Forums take place at relevant points in the programme, followed by engagement events for stakeholders, the last round (for Stage 2) having taken place in April and May, when more stakeholders registered. The next round of stakeholder events (for Stage 3), will take place during November and December at 8 locations in Cornwall and 1 location on the Isles of Scilly

Once Feedback on the policy options have been received and preferred policies published, the Stage 4 Public Consultation phase will seek endorsement of the preferred policies for adoption. This 3 month public consultation phase is currently programmed to commence in February 2010.