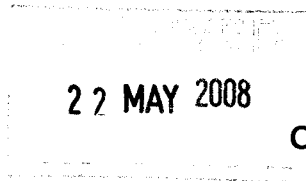


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Sir / Madam
 Rye Town Council,
 Town Hall
 Market Street
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 East Sussex
 TN31 7LA



Our ref: IMSO000622

Date: 20th May 2008

Dear Sir or Madam,

FOLKESTONE TO CLIFF END FLOOD AND EROSION STRATEGY
An invitation to get involved: 22 May – 15 August

The Environment Agency has been developing a draft strategy for managing the risk of flooding and erosion along the coast between Folkestone and Cliff End. Through a process of technical, economic and environmental assessment we have been able to identify proposed options for each section of the coast within the strategy area.

The draft strategy is summarised in the attached booklet: *Folkestone to Cliff End flood and erosion management strategy – a guide for local communities*.

Between 22 May and 15 August 2008 we want you to tell us what you think of it and you'll find a feedback form inside. Please use it to give us your views.

Further copies of the booklet are available in libraries at Rye, Lydd, New Romney, Hythe, Sandgate and Folkestone. Alternatively call 08708 506 506 and we'll post it. Copies can also be downloaded from www.environment-agency.gov.uk/yourenv/consultations.

We'd be delighted to see you at one of our 'drop-in' sessions in June and July. Here, a small exhibition provides an overview of the draft strategy and Environment Agency staff will be on hand to talk to you.

Cont.

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Dates and venues are:

- Thursday 5 June, 2 – 8pm
University Centre, Folkestone, Mill Bay, Folkestone
- Saturday 21 June, 10am – 4pm,
Lydd Library, Old School, Skinner Road, Lydd
- Friday 4 July, 2 – 7pm
Camber Memorial Hall, Lydd Road, Camber
- Monday 7 July, 2 – 8pm,
Rye Community Learning Centre, Lion Street, Rye
- Friday 11 July, 2 – 8pm,
St Mary's Bay Village Hall, St Mary's Bay

An un-staffed exhibition will be at the Lydd Library Craft Gallery from Saturday 7 until Monday 30 June.

We have also produced a *Strategic Environmental Assessment* which outlines the likely impact of our proposals. A reference copy will be available at each of the libraries and on our website.

We will consider all responses before making our final strategy decisions in the autumn. We will keep you informed of our progress and share the outcomes of this consultation through correspondence, parish newsletters, local newspapers and our website.

If you would prefer not to be contacted about the strategy in the future please contact us on folkestone-cliffend@environment-agency.gov.uk . Your details will remain on our mailing list unless you ask us to remove them.

Yours sincerely,



Richard Hull
Project Manager