

# Managing our coast for the future

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Flood (& Coastal) Risk Management

# Presentation outline

- Why manage our shoreline?
- What is a Shoreline Management Plan?
- North Devon & Somerset
- SMP review stages
- The role of stakeholders





Blue Anchor





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# What is an SMP?

- Defra High Level Target
- Coastal defence decisions
- Sustainable defences
- Natural environment
- Human environment
- Built environment

[www.defra.gov.uk](http://www.defra.gov.uk)

Shoreline management plan guidance  
Volume 1: Aims and requirements

March 2006





# SMP objectives

- To set out risks and identify opportunities and preferred policies to manage these
- To set out procedures for monitoring how effective policies are and identify their consequences
- To inform others of the risks and associated policies in order to discourage inappropriate development
- To meet nature conservation legislation

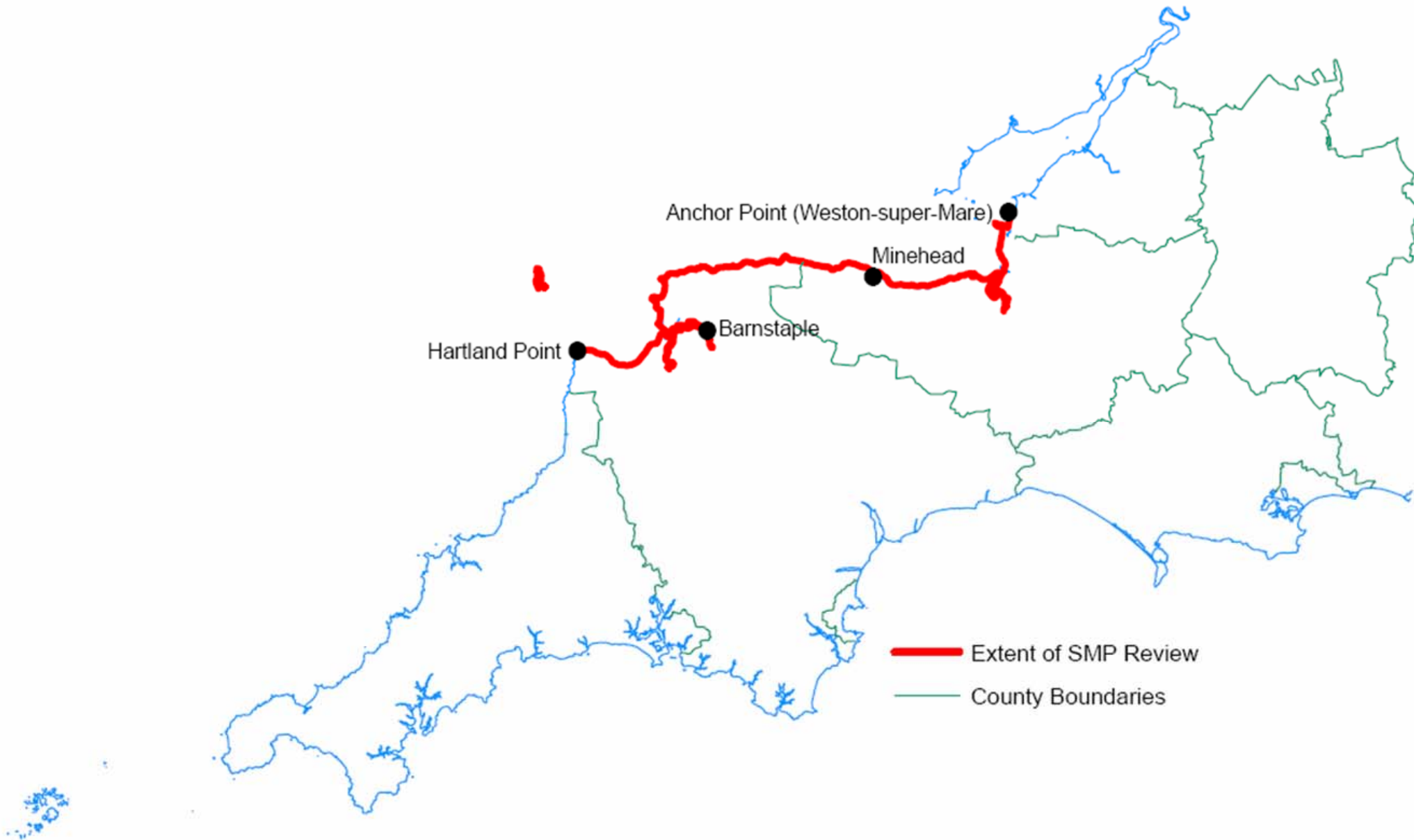


# Management options

1. Hold the existing defence line
  2. Advance the existing defence line
  3. Managed realignment
  4. No active intervention
- 0 – 20 years
  - 20 – 50 years
  - 50 – 100 years



# North Devon & Somerset SMP





# SMP review stages

- **Stage 1:** Scope the SMP
- **Stage 2:** Assessments to support policy decision
- **Stage 3:** Policy development
- **Stage 4:** Public examination
- **Stage 5:** Finalise plan
- **Stage 6:** Plan dissemination

**Defra target – March 2010**

# The role of stakeholders

- **Greater data collection**
- **Greater objective identification**
- **Greater confidence in results**
- **Education and understanding**
- **Avoidance of conflict**

**Ultimate 'ownership' of SMP**



YOUR **COAST** NEEDS

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