

Kingborough

Coastal Change on Snug's Foreshore Survey Results

Snug Foreshore Use and Community Priorities

December 2025



We are gathering insights on how you use and value the foreshore to guide future coastal planning

Preparing for coastal change

We are preparing for long-term changes along the Snug foreshore, with increased frequency and intensity of storms, flooding and beach erosion. We wanted to understand how the foreshore is currently used to inform decision making.

Public Information Series

We had three public engagement events through July and August 2025 to discuss future coastal hazards on the Snug foreshore.

Community Survey

We held a community survey from 1 September 2025 to 26 September 2025, receiving 90 survey responses and one written submission.

Our next steps

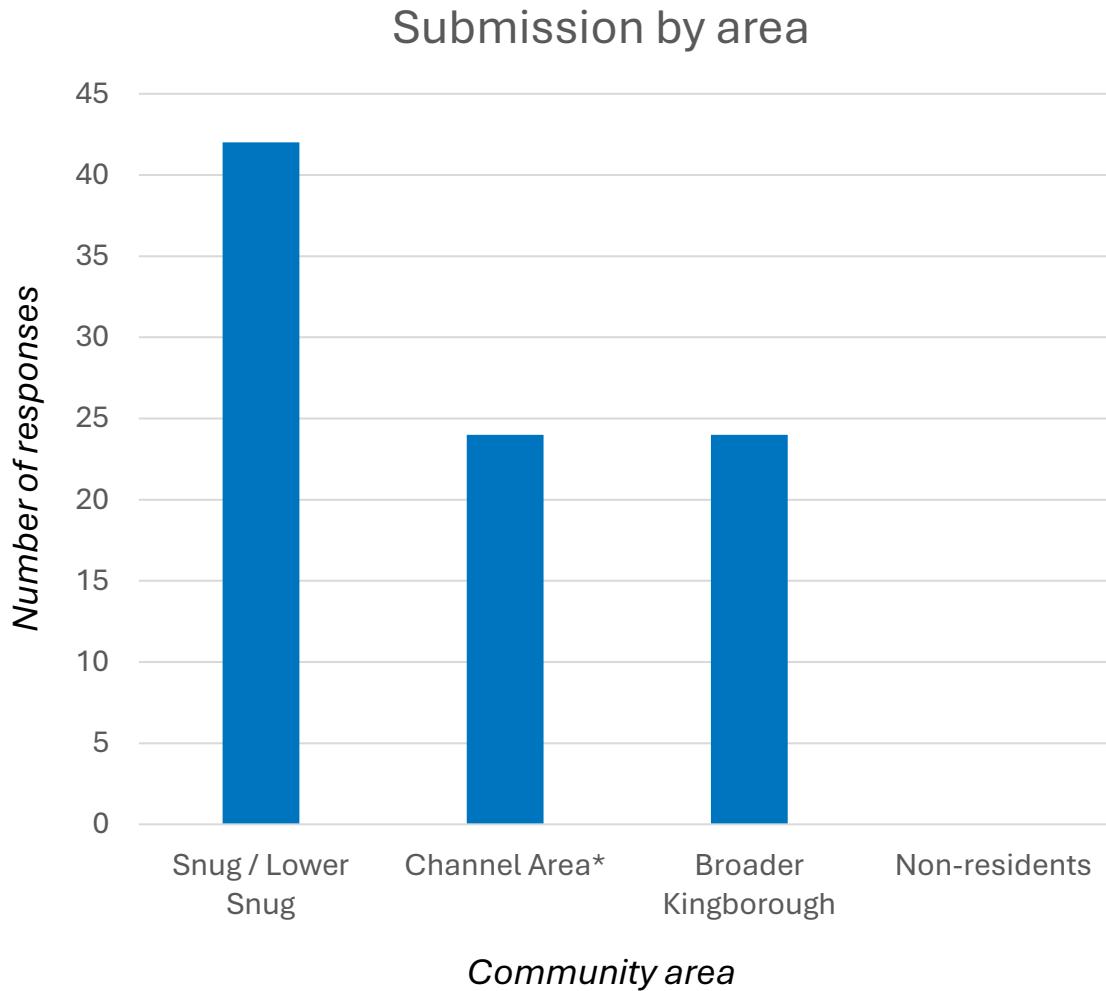
Your community priorities will help guide us to develop options to ensure a resilient coast and community. These options will be shared publicly in early 2026 for input.

Who we heard from

Information about who completed the survey



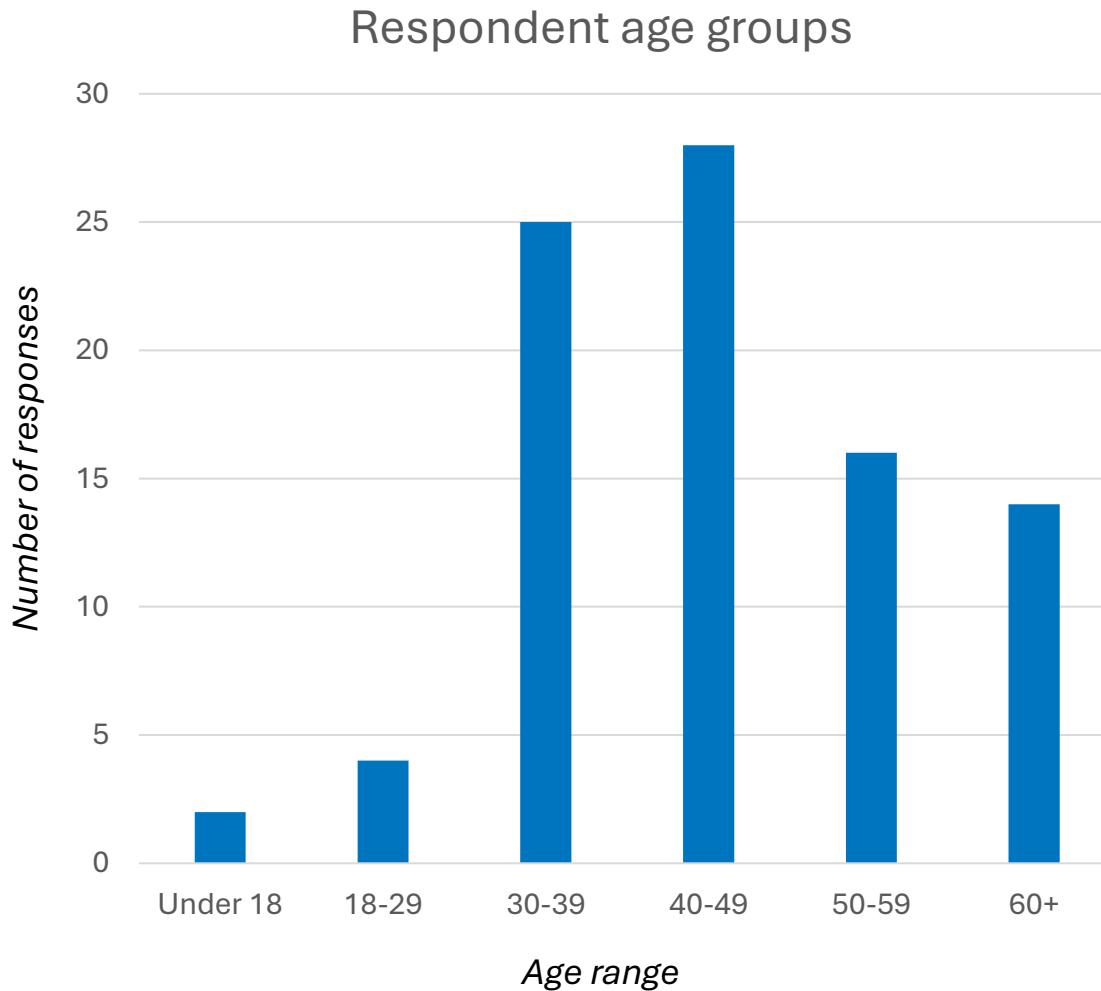
We heard from a range of community members what your priorities are and how you use the foreshore



- **42 respondents** live in the Snug and Lower Snug area.
- **24 respondents** live in the Channel area (including Birchs Bay, Bruny Island, Coningham, Electrona, Flowerpot, Gordon, Howden, Kettering, Margate, Middleton, Oyster Cove, Tinderbox, and Woodbridge).
- **24 respondents** live in broader Kingborough.
- **No responses** were received from outside Kingborough.

90 answered, none skipped.

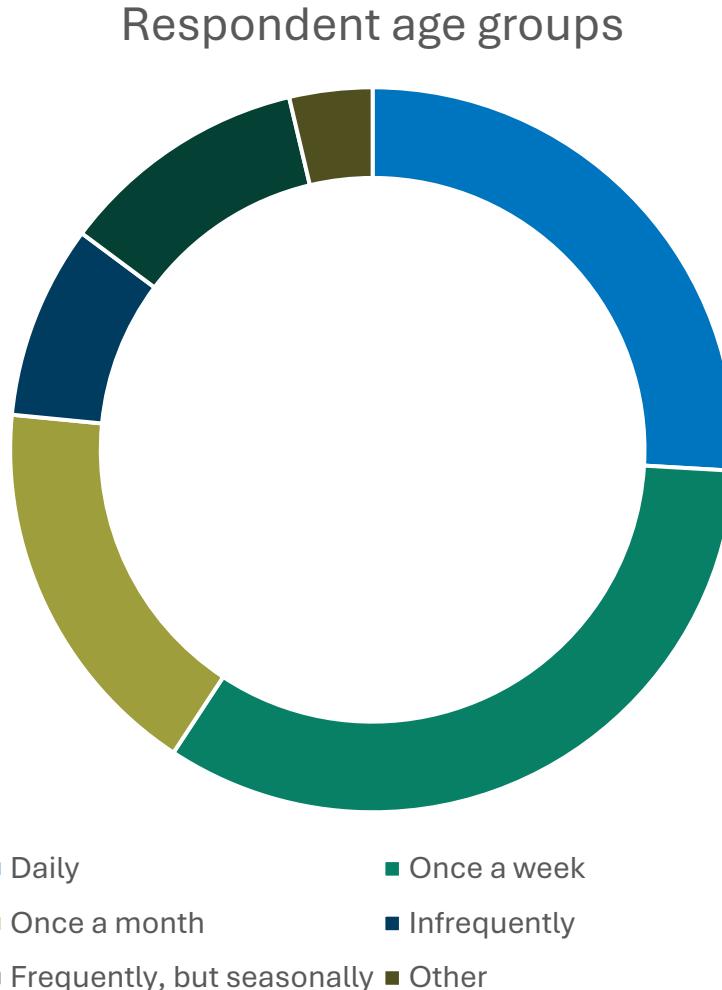
We heard from a broad range of age groups across the community



- **2 respondents** were under 18.
- **4 respondents** were in the 18 to 29 age group.
- **25 respondents** were in the 30 to 39 age group.
- **28 respondents** were in the 40 to 49 age group.
- **16 respondents** were in the 50 to 59 age group.
- **14 respondents** were aged 60 or above.

89 answered, 1 skipped.

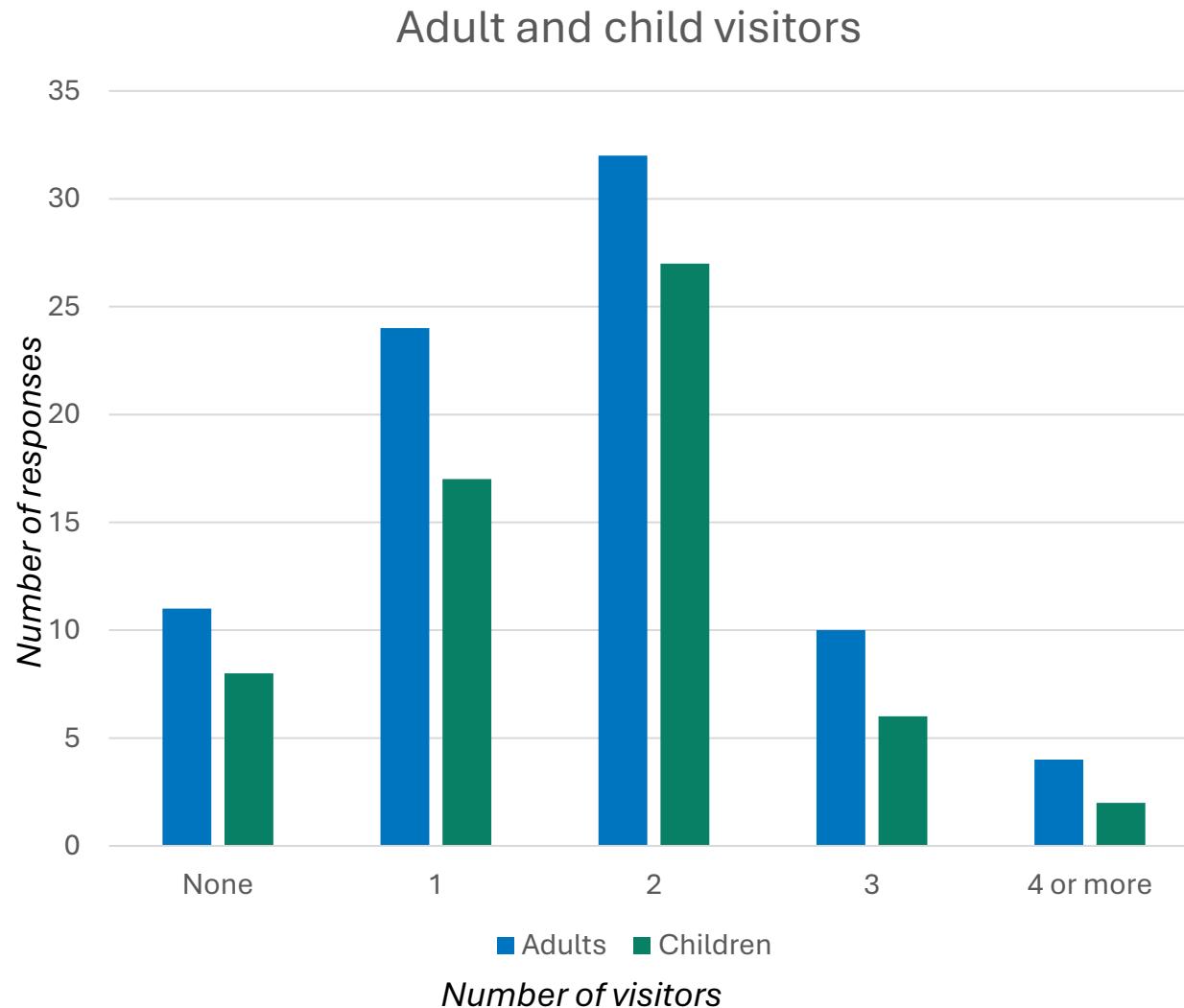
Over half of you visit the foreshore area (including oval) at least once a week



- **21 respondents** visit the foreshore daily.
- **27 respondents** visit the foreshore once a week.
- **14 respondents** visit the foreshore once a month.
- **7 respondents** visit the foreshore infrequently.
- **9 respondents** visit the foreshore frequently but seasonally.
- **3 respondents** gave other answers.

81 answered, 9 skipped.

You told us that both adults and children make use of the foreshore



- **Most users** go to the foreshore in groups of two adults and two children.
- **Large groups of children** use the foreshore for formal group activities (Scouts, sporting teams).

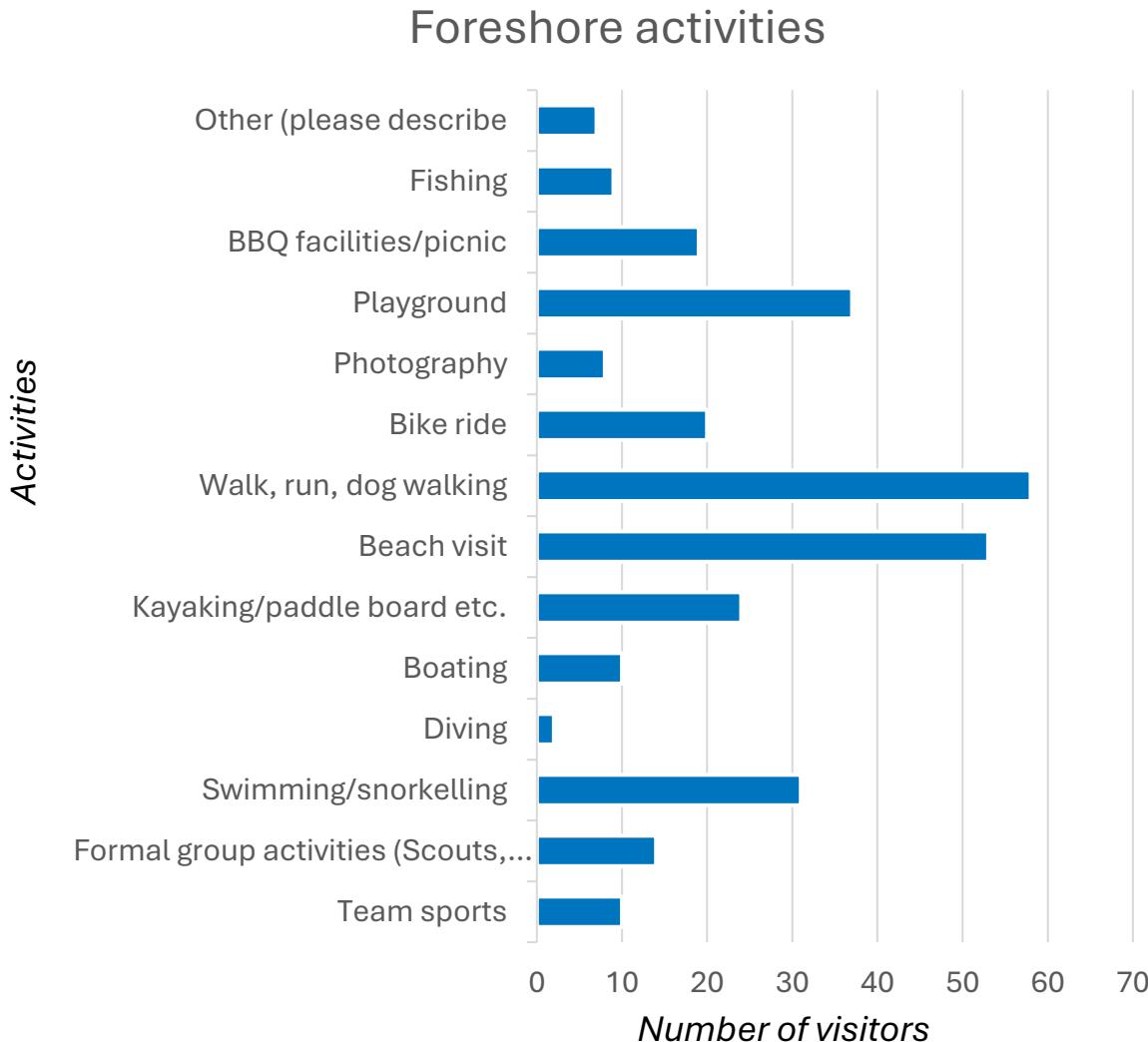
89 answered, 1 skipped.

How you use the foreshore

Use and value of the foreshore area



We heard that you use the foreshore in a variety of different ways



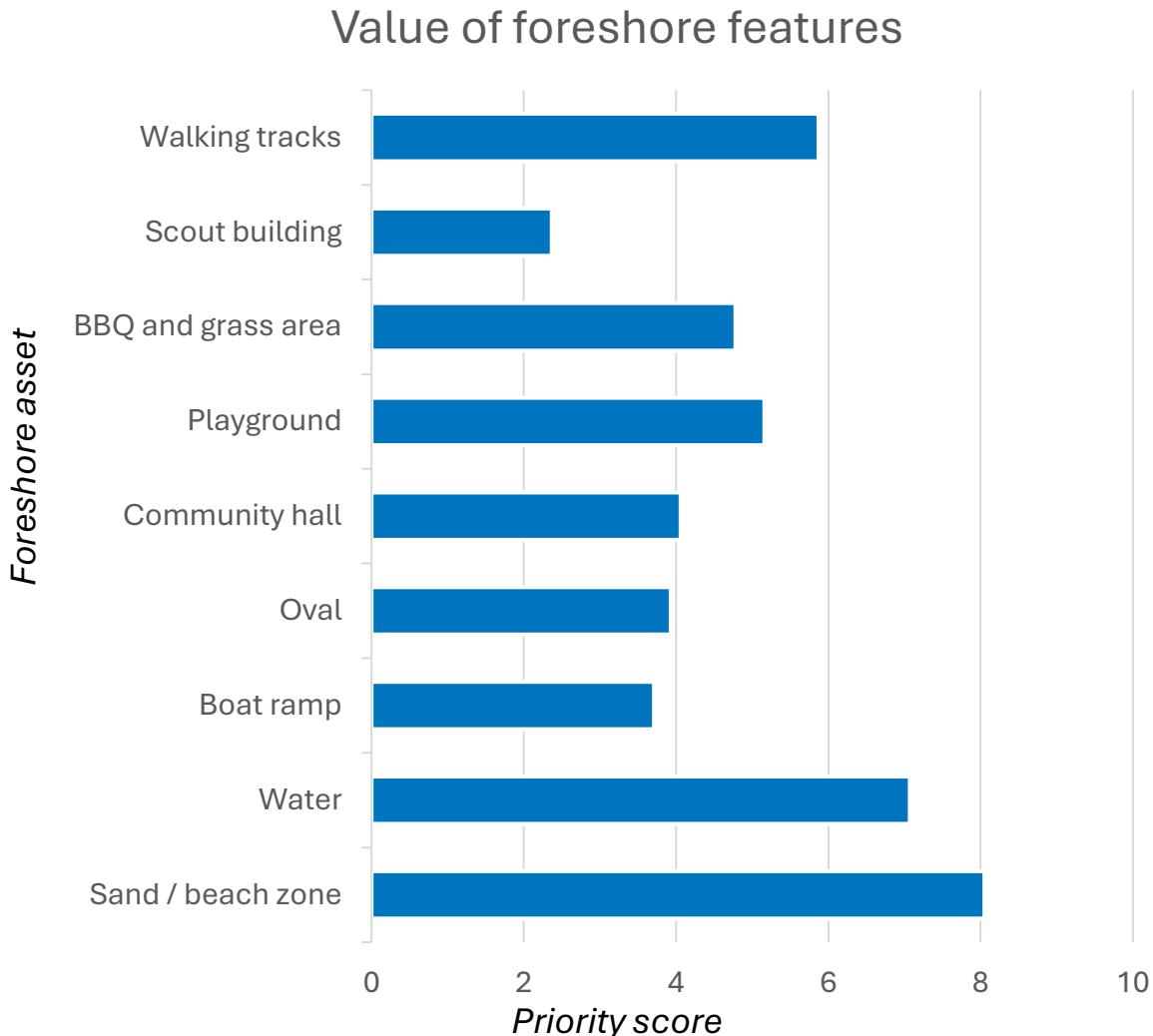
The top five most common activities were:

- Walking, running, and dog walking (**70%**).
- Beach visits (**64%**).
- Playground use (**45%**).
- Swimming and snorkelling (**37%**)
- Kayaking and paddle-boarding (**29%**)

20 respondents were part of a formal group or club that uses the foreshore area.

83 answered, 7 skipped.

We heard that you value the whole foreshore, and specific features stood out



The top five most valued features were:

- Sand and beach zone (score of 8 out of 9)
- Water (score of 7 out of 9).
- Walking tracks (score of 6 out of 9).
- Playground (score of 5 out of 9)
- Barbecue and grass areas (score of 5 out of 9)

Scores were measured by respondents ranking the features based on their value.

83 answered, 7 skipped.

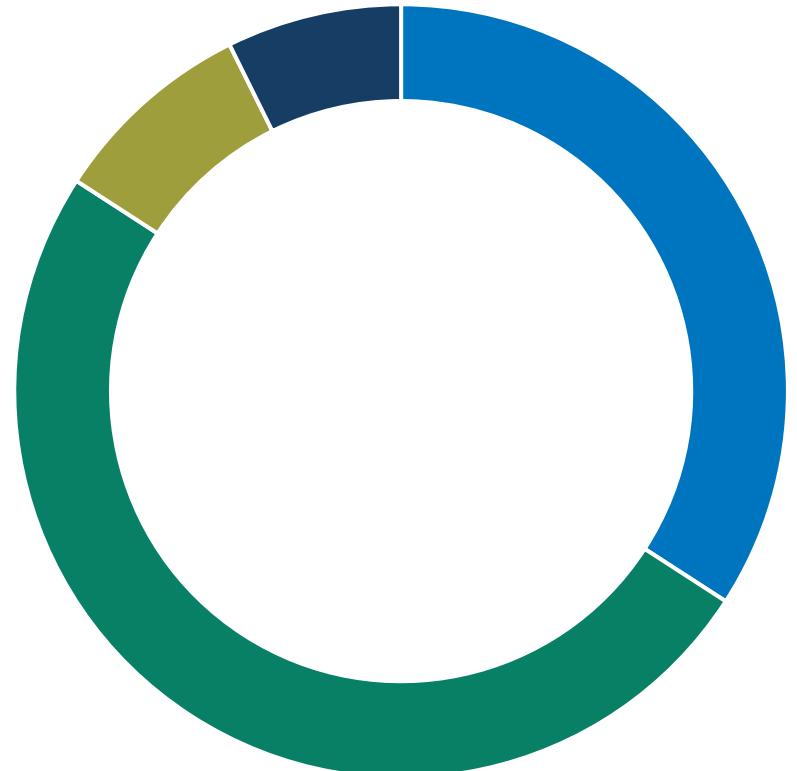
How you want us to plan for the future

Perceived changes and concerns



Most of you have seen physical changes to the shoreline from coastal hazards in your time visiting

Perceived changes to the shoreline



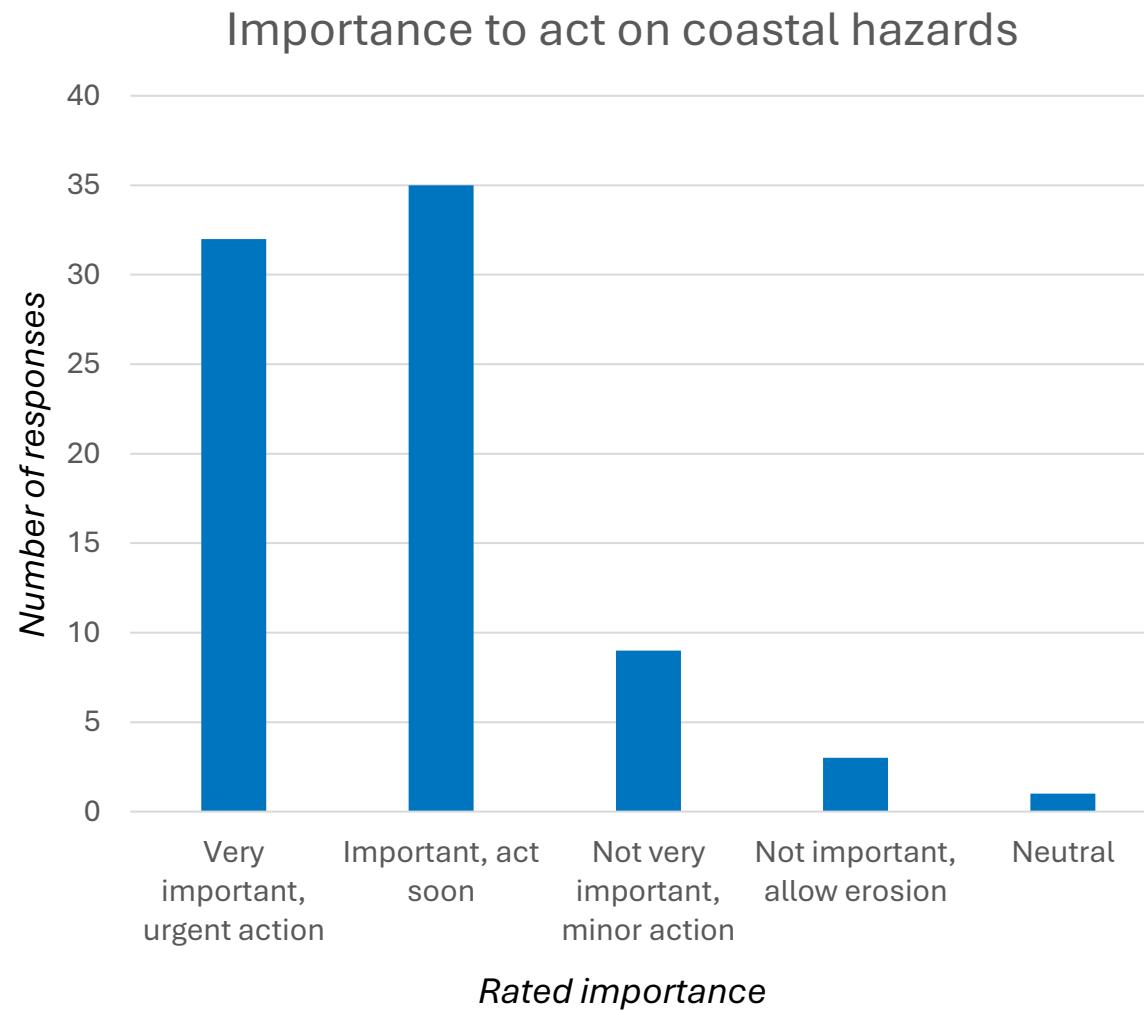
We heard that :

- 34% have seen major changes.
- 41% have seen minor changes.
- 9% have not seen changes.
- 7% were unsure

■ Major changes ■ Minor changes ■ No changes ■ Unsure

82 answered, 8 skipped.

We heard that you feel coastal hazards are important and that action should be taken

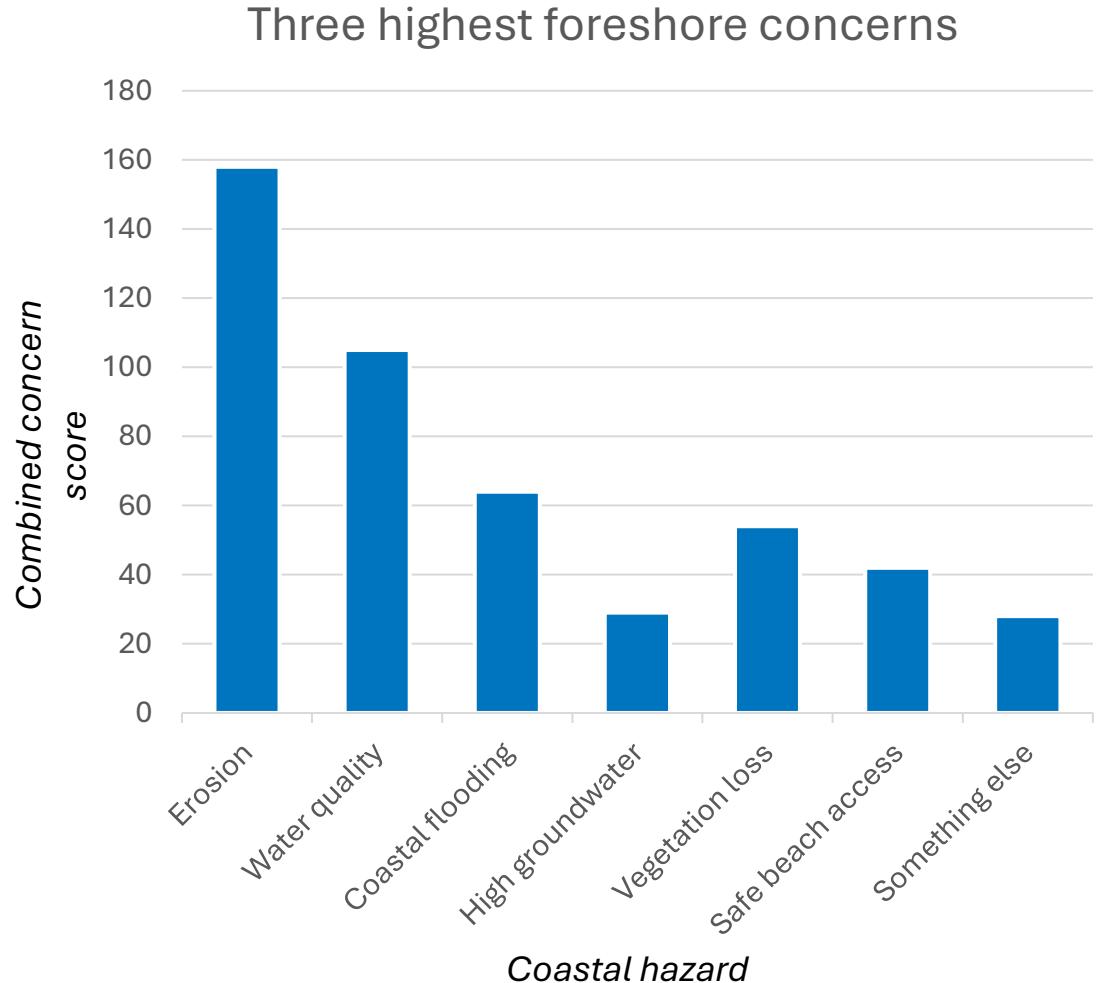


When asked how important addressing coastal hazards is:

- 40% said very important, and urgent action was needed.
- 44% said important, and action should be taken in the near future.
- 11% said not very important, and minor action should be taken.
- 4% said it was not important, and we should allow erosion to take its course.
- 1% were neutral.

80 answered, 10 skipped.

We heard what the top concerns for the foreshore area are for you

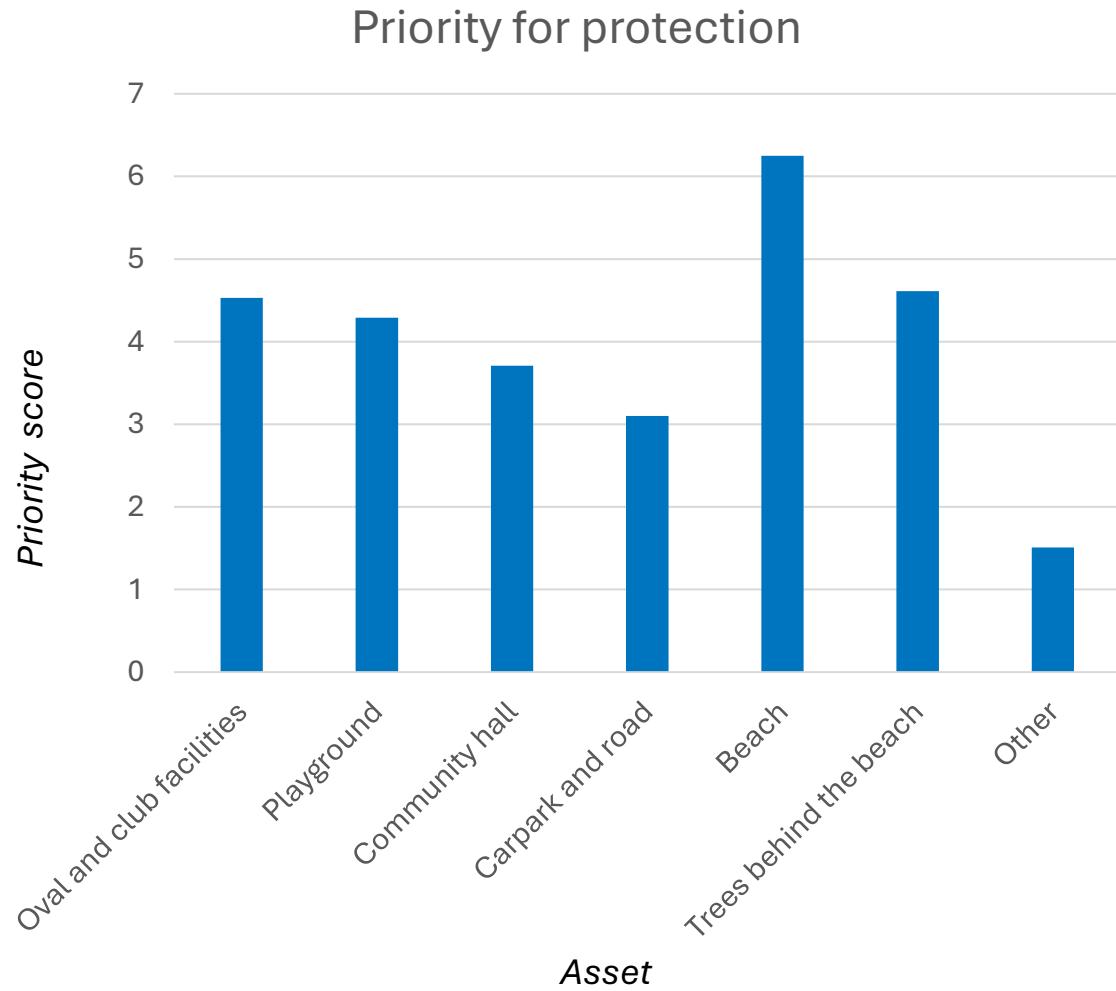


The top three concerns for the foreshore area are:

- **First**, erosion causing the beach to retreat landwards;
- **Second**, lower water quality; and
- **Third**, coastal flooding.

82 answered, 8 skipped.

We heard what places and spaces should be protected from coastal hazards if there are opportunities



The **top three** community places and spaces that you want protected are:

- The beach;
- The trees behind the beach;
- The oval and club facilities.

We heard that you value all these spaces

80 answered, 10 skipped.



Your feedback shows the beach and water matter deeply to this community, and you want them preserved for the future.

We're now exploring the best ways to protect them.