

Coastal flood risk management in coastal towns

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After the interview, ensuring the participant is aware that they can withdraw their data at any point before 31 December 2018, their data will be stored anonymously and personal details will be kept confidential, and that the anonymised data will be made available as open-source data.

Introductory: Your organisation and coastal flooding

- i. Of the following groups, who would you most strongly associate with? [sheet with suggested groups]
- ii. Summarise your role within this organisation?
- iii. How many years have you been in your current role?
- iv. How would you describe your professional relationship with _____ [town/area]?
- v. On this scale, how much of your work is related to coastal flooding? [sheet with scale]
- vi. Most recent coastal flood in _____ [town/area]?

Section 1. Current and future coastal flood risk

1. Define coastal flood risk?
2. Describe coastal flood risk in _____ [town/area]?
3. Changed levels of coastal flood risk in _____ [town/area] in the past 20 years?
4. Do you think the level of coastal flood risk in _____ [town/area] will stay the same, increase or decrease in the future (2020, 2050, 2100)?

Section 2. Current and future coastal flood risk management (FRM)

5. Define coastal flood risk management (FRM)?
6. FRM options in _____ [town/area] to manage coastal flood risk for existing households?
7. Your/your org's involvement in coastal flood risk management (FRM) in _____ [town/area]?

Section 3. Regulations and policy

8. Legislation and/or policy that _____ [your org] is required to take into account during coastal flood risk management (FRM)?
9. Most helpful/useful leg/policy to _____ [your org] during coastal flood risk management (FRM)?
10. Least helpful, or even detrimental leg/policy, to _____ [your org] during coastal flood risk management (FRM)?
11. The future coastal flood risk changes you mentioned earlier [list them] – are leg/policy sufficiently taking them into account?

Section 4. Current and future development

12. FRM options in _____ [town/area] to manage coastal flood risk for future households?
13. Do you and _____ [organisation] give existing and planned/future (i.e. 2020, 2050, 2100) buildings the same prioritisation in flood risk management (FRM)?

Section 5. Financial costs and funding of coastal flooding

14. Who bears the biggest cost of coastal flood events in _____ [town/area]?
15. Who do provides the most funding for coastal flood risk management (FRM) in _____ [town/area]?
16. Are those at greatest risk (Introductory Section) receiving not enough/the right amount/too much FRM money and focus?

Closing

- A. What do you think are the greatest future challenges in coastal flood risk management (FRM) for you and _____ [organisation]?
- B. Any further comments or questions?
- C. Would you be willing to do a follow-up questionnaire/focus group/interview?
- D. Would you like a results summary and/or final report summary of this research?
- E. Any other contacts? People I should speak to?