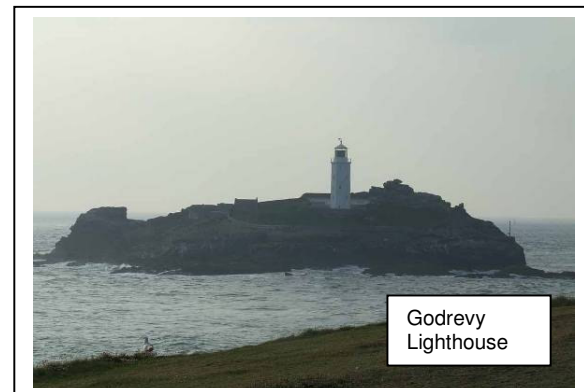


Location reference:	Black Cliff to Godrevy Point
Management Area reference:	MA28
Policy Development Zone:	PDZ10



PREFERRED POLICY TO IMPLEMENT PLAN:

From present day (0-20 years)	NAI at Black Cliff. MR along Mexico to Gwithian Towans frontage. MR at Gwithian beach and Red River. NAI along Godrevy cliffs.
Medium term (20-50 years)	NAI at Black Cliff. MR along Mexico to Gwithian Towans frontage. MR at Gwithian beach and Red River. NAI along Godrevy cliffs.
Long term (50 -100 years)	NAI at Black Cliff. MR along Mexico to Gwithian Towans frontage. MR at Gwithian beach and Red River. NAI along Godrevy cliffs.

SUMMARY OF SPECIFIC POLICIES

Policy Unit		SMP1 Policy	SMP2 Policy Plan			
		50 yrs	2025	2055	2105	Rationale
28.1	Black Cliff	Do nothing	NAI	NAI	NAI	Erosion and flood risk mapping indicates very low risk (and no assets at risk) so no intervention required. NAI is the preferred approach.
28.2	Mexico Towans to Gwithian Towans	Retreat the line	MR	MR	MR	There may some loss of dune front expected in response to sea level rise. Continued blow out development along the dune front in response to access points from the holiday parks is also likely. A managed realignment approach is preferred to accommodate the natural variability of this area. This would allow priority to be given to enhancement of the natural dune system as a UK priority BAP Habitat, whilst continuing to encourage natural and sustainable response to climate change impacts.
28.3	Gwithian Beach & Red River	Hold the line	MR	MR	MR	A low level realignment of the frontage which would allow natural response of the back of the beach and the mouth of the Red River to sea level rise is preferred. This approach should take into account the objectives of the local nature reserve lying behind the sandy bund which currently delimits the position of the shoreline. Over the medium to longer term, re-establishing dunes would assist with national UK priority BAP habitat targets (gains in coastal sand dune habitat).
28.4	Godrevy cliffs	Do nothing	NAI	NAI	NAI	There is a high recession risk along this frontage which may affect the current access road to the Godrevy National Trust car parks (and a local farm) within even the very short term. One major cliff fall in this location could eliminate access to the largest area of coastal parking in the far west of Cornwall. Despite this risk a no active intervention approach is preferred as it is felt realignment of the road would be at least technically possible (although the dune habitats behind make this an environmentally sensitive area) and the cliffs provide a source of sediment to the beach which is likely to be locally important. The National Trust agree that NAI is the appropriate management approach.
Key: HTL - Hold the Line, A - Advance the Line, NAI – No Active Intervention MR – Managed Realignment						

PREDICTED IMPLICATIONS OF THE PREFERRED PLAN

Policy Unit		Theme				
		Property & Land Use	Nature Conservation	Landscape	Historic Environment	Amenity & Recreational Use
28.1	Black Cliff	No implications.	Preferred plan and NAI approach will support high level SMP objectives for nature conservation.	The plan would support landscape values.	No implications.	Current recreation and amenity use would not be impacted.
28.2	Mexico Towans to Gwithian Towans	No implications for property. There may possibly be impacts on holiday park boundaries in longer term.	There may some loss of dune front expected in response to sea level rise. Roll back of beach would prevent coastal squeeze and loss of foreshore. Plan would support the Mexico to Gwithian Towns SSSI.	The plan would support landscape values	Possible impacts on Phillack Towans Chapel in longer term.	Current recreation and amenity use would be supported MR would help to address blow out development along the dune front in response to access points from the holiday parks.
28.3	Gwithian Beach & Red River	No implications for property. Land use may potentially change.	Over the medium to longer term, re-establishing dunes would assist with national UK priority BAP habitat targets (gains in coastal sand dune habitat). (Although this may result in loss of freshwater local nature reserve).	The plan would support landscape values.	Several features, including the Wheal Emily occupation site and a number of scheduled findspots relating to early settlement could be affected by realignment.	Important recreational use of the frontage would not be compromised by realignment or the plan generally.
28.4	Godrevy cliffs	Access road to Godrevy farm could be lost in medium term.	Preferred plan and NAI approach will support high level SMP objectives for nature conservation and the Godrevy Head to St Agnes SSSI.	The plan would support landscape values and the objectives of the AONB and Heritage Coast designations.	This cliff section is rich in archaeology and a number of features would be affected under the preferred plan.	Access road to National Trust car parks car may be affected by erosion. Route of the SW coast path may be at risk.