

Sea Defence Effectiveness Survey

Design	+3	+2	+1	0	-1	-2	-3	
Harder materials used								Softer materials used
Base of defence protected								No protection
Wave energy deflected								No deflection
Wave energy dissipated								No dissipation
Continuous protection along coastline								Discontinuous and broken up
Maintenance								
Well maintained								Collapsing
Influence								
No overtopping								Evidence of overtopping
No evidence of water seepage								Evidence of water seepage
Complete vegetation cover behind defence								Bare soil and rock behind defence
No evidence of mass movement								High levels of mass movement
Secondary Uses								
Good access to beach / coastline								Highly restricted access
Enhances coastline appearance								Ugly and detracts from appearance
Provides habitats for flora / fauna								No provision for flora / fauna