

South Park and Nimmo's Pier

South Park and Nimmo's Pier are areas at risk of wave overtopping flooding. These areas are valued for their active recreation, including walking, running, and team sports, as well as their iconic views of The Long Walk. The proposed measures aim to protect properties and infrastructure while minimising the impact on sea views, the existing South Park cycleway, playing pitches, and the recreational use of the area.



South Park & Nimmo's Pier Considerations



Existing Scenario



Option 1: Sea-side Embankment

This option consists mainly of an embankment behind the South Park cycleway. South Park and Grattan Road are protected up to the standard of protection of the scheme. The proposed embankment connects with the existing high ground levels in the northeast of South Park. The existing wall along Nimmo's Pier will be reconstructed. A flood defence wall protects Claddagh Hall, with demountables/ flood gates installed to maintain access. Demountables/ flood gates will allow for access to Mutton Island to be maintained.

Key Features

- 1 0.6m flood defence embankment above existing ground
- 2 Existing cycle/ walk way
- 3 Existing permeable rock armour

Option 2: Ground Raising of the South Park Cycleway

This option consists mainly of raising the South Park cycleway, and maintaining the existing cycle/ walk way. The layout for this option is similar to the one presented in Option 1. The only distinction is that, rather than an embankment positioned behind the South Park cycleway as in Option 1, it is proposed to elevate the South Park cycleway itself to function as the flood defence. Demountables/ flood gates will allow for access to Mutton Island to be maintained.

Key Features

- 1 0.6m raising of existing cycle/ walk way
- 2 Existing permeable rock armour



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