

Prior to the 1985 Beach Replenishment Scheme the southern Eastoke Peninsula frontage regularly overtopped, causing flooding damage. The ageing concrete seawall was also approaching the end of its serviceable life and a failure could have led to erosion of up to 3 metres per annum and subsequent loss of properties. The frequency and severity of overtopping (water carried over the top of a coastal defence) events was increasing annually. In an effort to reduce the damage, a rear splash wall was constructed along the entire length of the seawall. These measures did not adequately prevent regular overtopping or storm damage to properties.



- FACT:** Original 1920's beach was Sand/Shingle.
- FACT:** Residential development resulted in need for defences.
- FACT:** Defences caused erosion leading to a loss of Sand and Shingle beach, which led to a need for BIGGER not necessarily better defences.
- FACT:** Flood Damage - Structural damage, a common occurrence.

