

Regarding the application for RC-2022-0039

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**I oppose the current design/form of the proposed seawall**

**I wish to be heard in support of my submission**

The current design in my firm opinion is to far back towards land, my property was one of the ones most effected by the one off storm back in 2013,I were the one who contact council after loosing my fencing to the sea.

I would like to stress the following,firstly there has been no such event since,not saying we wont get one,but constructing so far back landward is not necessary and only creating extra hard work for the project.

The dunes at the time of the event wereencroat 30m out from the current quick fix rock wall,yes it did vanish but it was the vegetation that stopped the sea encroaching further.

This event as the old timers said the dunes have come back with driftwood high and dry and vegetation growing,since that day in 2019 there has been nothing that close since.

Personally I bought my property for what it is with the use of the council land free of charge,I have 2 x phoenix palms that must be over 60-80 yrs old that will be destroyed with the current plan/alignment.

I can not understand why you want to dog leg the wall inland from the CBD wall built in 2013 ( which still works well ), if the wall continued in a straight line north from the existing wall we are not going to have all the vegetation ripped out, penguins nest ground and wekas alike. Really what is the sense of something designed like this only to destroy vegetation,destroy nesting grounds and upset landowners who have been here a very long time.

If the plan was revised moving the pink peg seaward by approx. 30m or inline with the existing 2013 seawall the whole project will probably progress with less opposition and less impact on the environment

Since the 2013 event there has not been an issue,but I do understand there could be and that's why we are considering this protection.

My advice would be get the correct RC ( not the current proposed )moving the construction seaward and sit on your hands,this event if it happens again then act with the RC in place,lets save ourselves a lot of work,stress,distruction of vegetation and breeding areas ( it is very satisfying seeing a penguin nesting in your backyard ) and of course \$4m plus spent unwisely.Use the funds somewhere needed for now.

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