



Figure 1: Management Unit 12 (Romney Sands)

 *Blue: Recycling Extraction Point*
 *Red: Recycling Deposition Area*

Romney Sands is one of the only sections along the Kent coast which naturally accretes to such a high extent; the section around the peninsula is particularly accretive and requires a regular extraction of material, which are usually deposited at Camber Sands. The beach material is split into components. The northern extent has a large shingle ridge which protects the housing area close to the shoreline. Further south is an extensive set of sand dunes, which are known to be accreting. Even further south is the shingle beach face, characterised by the large shingle ridge, and a mixed shingle sand slope and sand foreshore.

This section has no key coastal defence features due to its natural ability to accrete. The management policy remains 'Hold the Line' for the next 100 years, to protect the economic assets close the shoreline.

Survey Regime

Survey type	Frequency	Profile spacing/survey extent
Topographic baseline	Annual	50m to MLWS
Topographic interim profile	Spring and Autumn	150m to MLWS
Bathymetry	5 years	50m profiles to 1km offshore
Ortho-photography	5 years	MLW
Aerial photography	Ceased in 2008	MLW
Lidar	Rolling Programme	MLW
Habitat Mapping	5 Years	As Required

Full details of data availability and extents can be found on the Channel Coast Observatory Website (www.channelcoast.org)

Summary of Beach Operations

Date	Operation	Quantity (m ³)	Location/Notes
2007			
March	Maintenance Works	21,560	Extraction between Profiles 4c00730 - 4c00763
2006			
March	Capital Scheme	38,000	Extraction between Profiles 4c00730 - 4c00763
October	Maintenance Works	21,560	Extraction between Profiles 4c00749 – 4c00752

Full details of beach operations can be obtained from Canterbury City Council (strategic.monitoring@canterbury.gov.uk)