

#### Managed Realignment 20 Years On An Overview

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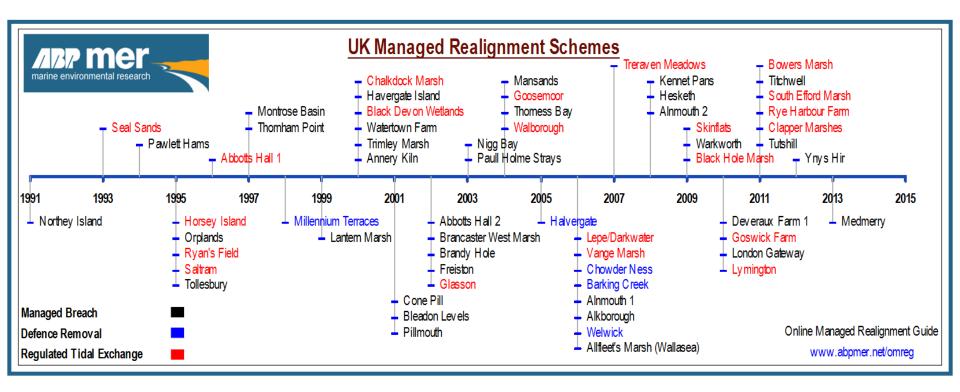


- 20 Years Ago....at Coastal Futures 1994....
  - Initial Trails had begun and the NRA had identified a new experimental site at Tollesbury;
  - The logical rationale for 'managed retreat' was well understood:
    - Reduced maintenance costs for coastal defence;
    - Space for sea level rise (addressing coastal squeeze);
    - Creating 'new' intertidal habitats;
    - Ideally creating more sustainable shorelines and estuaries.





- Today....Coastal Futures 2014....
  - Over 60 completed projects in UK... extensive practical experience





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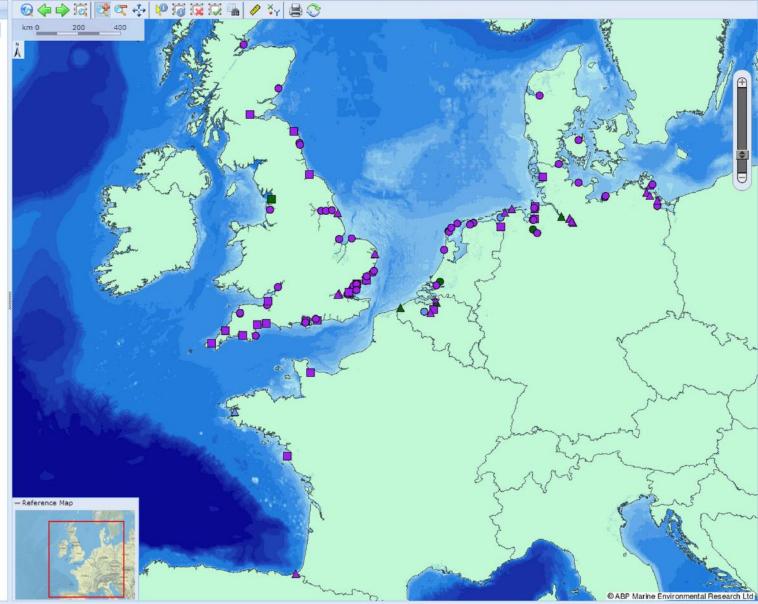


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#### Welcome Downloads Layers Legend

Managed Realignment Sites

- ▲ Defence removal
- Defence removal & land lowering
- ▲ Defence removal & regulated tidal exchange
- \* Land lowering
- Managed breach
- Managed breach & land lowering
- Managed breach & partial defence removal
- Regulated tidal exchange
- Regulated tidal exchange & managed breach



# Breach

## **Regulated Exchange**

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## **Natural Morphology**

### Landform Change

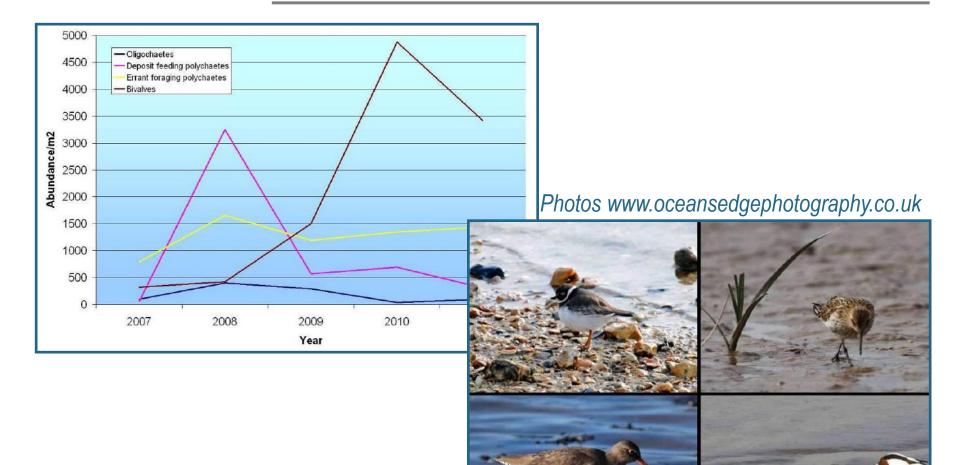
#### **Culvert Gate**

#### **Coastal Shingle**





## **Ecological Development**



#### Allfleet's Marsh (Wallasea)

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Wallasea Island Wild Coast (September 2013)



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#### • The Future ... is not short of more challenges ....

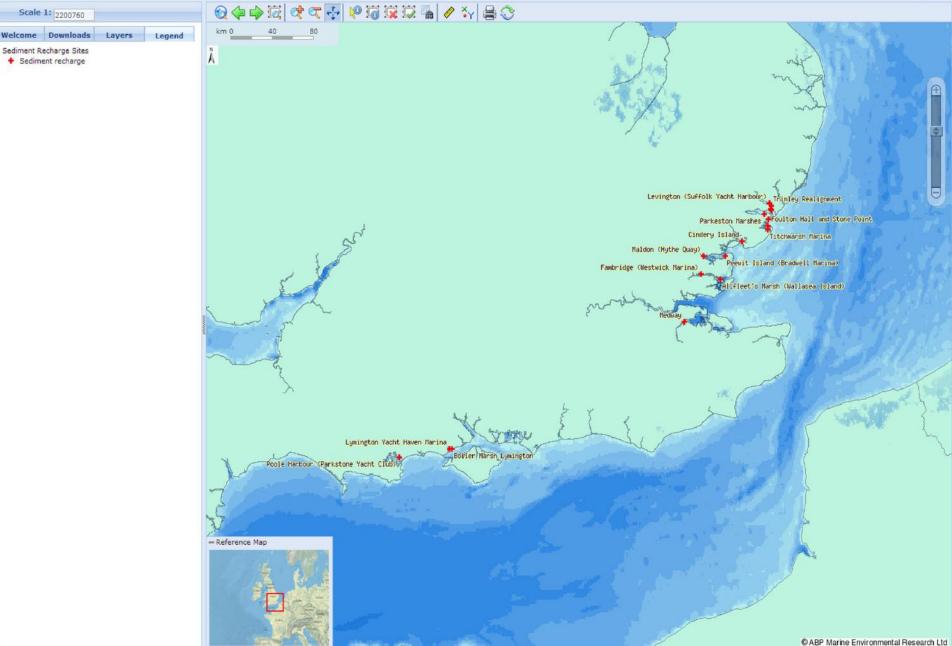
- Work to Do To meet SMPs aims by 2050 realignment needs to increase 5-fold from 6km/year to 30km/year;
- **Cost** Increasing cost of project; even as projects get larger there are no economies of scale....
- Land Purchase Problems with securing correct land;
- What are the incentives/funds: Other than Habitats Regulations...WFD, Biodiversity offsetting, aquaculture? need to think bigger...
- **Communicating Project Rationale** A challenge for all projects; raising issues such as food security....need to clarify the multiple benefits...





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