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Report on the Hutt Valley Flood Management Subcommittee meeting of 29 March 2017

1. Purpose

To inform the Environment Committee of the Hutt Valley Flood Management Subcommittee (the Subcommittee) meeting of 29 March 2017.

2. Reports

2.1 RiverLink – Project Manager's Report

The Subcommittee received an update on progress on the RiverLink Project (formerly Hutt River City Centre Upgrade Project).

The Subcommittee heard about the high ranking risks for the project including:

- Confirming commitment to funding by partner agencies
- Melling Bridge remaining a constriction
- The effects of the current property market conditions on property acquisition costs.

Property purchase remains steadily on forecast. Preliminary designs have been reviewed by GWRC, HCC and NZTA's project teams during March 2017. Further information about these will be discussed during workshop sessions set up for March, April and May 2017.

Community engagement has been ongoing and focused primarily on raising the project profile and providing information about the project to the community.

2.2 Hutt Valley Flood Management Projects Report

The Subcommittee was updated on the progress made with general Hutt Valley Flood Management projects. The Hutt River Environmental Strategy (HRES) is on programme to deliver its findings by July 2017. Officers provided support to the Groundwater Hutt public art festival as part of engagement activities for flood protection works.

Officers have reviewed the design report from GHD (HCC's design consultants) and accepted the recommendation for 10 year design level as the permanent works are identified in the Hutt River Floodplain Management Plan but not scheduled for construction until after the completion of the RiverLink Project.

Design work on the soft edge erosion repair at Seaview Road is being carried out by Wellington Water on behalf of HCC.

Progress is continuing on Pinehaven Stream Flood Management Plan with plan change 42 notified by UHCC and a preferred consultant for design and construction identified.

3. The decision-making process and significance

No decision is being sought in this report.

3.1 Engagement

Engagement on this matter is unnecessary.

4. Recommendations

That the Committee:

- 1. **Receives** the report.
- 2. *Notes* the content of the report.

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