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Report on the Hutt Valley Flood Management Subcommittee meeting of 3 March 2016

1. Purpose

To inform the Environment Committee of the Hutt Valley Flood Management Subcommittee (the Subcommittee) meeting of 3 March 2016.

2. Reports

2.1 Hutt River City Centre Upgrade Project – Preliminary integrated design

The Subcommittee received an update on progress with the project. The update addressed:

- the preliminary design and planning process
- the property acquisition strategy and actions
- the consultation and communications process
- progress with the Melling Gateway business case.

The Subcommittee noted that the process for the year ahead is to develop the detail of Option A to a preliminary design level.

To date 19 property owner meetings have occurred, with acquisition discussions commenced in relation to three commercial properties and three residential properties. A property acquisition agent is being procured.

The Subcommittee emphasised the importance of effective communications to those persons directly affected by the projects, as well as persons in areas adjacent to the project area.

The Subcommittee endorsed the scope for the preparation of the preliminary integrated design, costing and implementation timelines for the project.

3.6 Project Manager's Report

The Subcommittee was updated on progress made with various Hutt Valley flood management projects. The Subcommittee noted that the fencing dispute with Safeway Storage Limited has now been resolved and fence construction is underway. Safeway's claim against GWRC about the effects of road widening is due to go to a hearing on 23 March.

Progress on the Hutt River Environmental Strategy review was outlined. Officers advised that the outcomes from the review would be applied to the Hutt River City Centre Upgrade Project.

The Committee noted that the hearing on the Pinehaven Floodplain Management Plan will now be held at Upper Hutt City Council.

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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