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Report on the Hutt Valley Flood Management Subcommittee meeting of 22 July 2015

1. Purpose

To inform the Environment Committee of the Hutt Valley Flood Management Subcommittee (the Subcommittee) meeting of 22 July 2015.

2. Public Participation

Stephen Pattinson spoke to item 5 on the agenda- Pinehaven Flood Mapping Audit. Mr Pattinson outlined some of the concerns held by the 'Save our Hills' group. These included concerns with the adequacy of the terms of reference of the audit completed by BECA and with the flood mapping itself.

Alison McKone spoke to item 8 on the agenda- Hutt River City Centre Upgrade Project- Consultation. Ms McKone outlined concerns about the project.

3. Reports

3.1 Pinehaven Flood Mapping Audit

The Subcommittee discussed BECA's audit of Greater Wellington Regional Council's (GWRC) flood mapping of the Pinehaven area and subsequently approved the Pinehaven Floodplain Management Plan for a second round of public consultation. It was noted that the BECA audit found that the way the flood hazard maps were presented in public information required some changes. Amendments should be made in order to distinguish modelled levels from wider flood sensitive areas. Furthermore, it was agreed that the public should be made aware that the modelling underlying the flood mapping was 6-7 years old and that flood extents may be revised as a result of revisions to the flood mapping and modelling.

The Subcommittee noted that BECA's main finding was that the hydraulic and hydrological modelling underlying GWRC's flood extent and hazard maps is fit for purpose.

3.2 Hutt River City Centre Project – Options for Consultation

In a Public Excluded session the Subcommittee approved the communications and consultation strategy for community consultation on the Hutt River City Centre Integrated Concept design Options A and B.

4. The decision-making process and significance

No decision is being sought in this report.

4.1 Engagement

Engagement on this matter is unnecessary.

5. Recommendations

That the Committee:

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

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