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Te Kāuru Upper Ruamahanga FMP summary of options combinations June, July and August 2016 workshops report

1. Purpose

To update the Subcommittee on the development of options for flood risk management for the Te Kāuru Upper Ruamahanga Floodplain Management Plan, specifically issues that were discussed at the June, July and August 2016 workshops.

2. Background

Phase 2 of Te Kāuru Upper Ruamahanga Floodplain Management Plan involves developing options for flood risk management across the catchment.

Workshops have been held with the Subcommittee to focus on individual reaches of the rivers within the FMP catchment, discussing the issues facing these reaches and developing management approaches that may be appropriate.

These Subcommittee workshops have looked at the individual reaches of the Ruamahanga, Waingawa and Waipoua Rivers and the floodplain reaches of the Kopuaranga, Whangaehu and Taueru Rivers.

Details of the workshops held prior to June 2016 have been presented in previous Subcommittee reports.

The following sections of the report document the outcomes of the Subcommittee workshops looking at the Rathkeale College stopbank, the Waingawa stopbank and surrounding area, the River Road, and the Mauriceville township.

While further work is required, we are seeking confirmation that the work to date has been accurately recorded and direction given on how to undertake further development.

3. Rathkeale College Stopbank

Discussion during the 17 June 2016 workshop was centred on understanding of how the FMP tools might work in the Rathkeale College location, within the Double Bridges to Te Ore Ore Reach. This included broad cost implications and indicative modelling.

The summary notes from the 17 June 2016 workshop are included as **Attachment 1** of this report.

Rathkeale was further discussed during the workshop on 26 August 2016. An update on consultation with Rathkeale College was provided to the Subcommittee. The Subcommittee was reminded of, and agreed, that the role of the Subcommittee is to consider higher level outcomes rather than detailed design.

The summary notes from the 26 August 2016 workshop are included as **Attachment 3** of this report.

4. Common Tools Feedback

During the 17 June 2016 workshop, the Subcommittee had an opportunity to comment on the common tools developed to date. Questions and comments from the Subcommittee which arose in relation to the common tools are documented in the summary notes from this workshop, alongside officers' responses.

5. Waingawa Stopbank and Masterton Gateway

The 26 July 2016 and 26 August 2016 workshops were used to develop ideas and hold discussions regarding the Waingawa stopbank and the Masterton Gateway areas.

The summary notes from the 26 July 2016 workshop are included as **Attachment 2** of this report.

6. River Road, Masterton

During the 26 July 2016 workshop, the Subcommittee had an opportunity to discuss various options for the River Road area of the Te Ore Ore to Waingawa reach.

7. Mauriceville Township

A flood risk has been identified in relation to properties along margins of river at Mauriceville; flood risk in this area is comparatively low, however, channel blockages could potentially affect more properties than the current model shows.

8. The decision-making process and significance

No decision is being sought in this report.

8.1 Engagement

Engagement on this matter is unnecessary.

9. Recommendations

That the Subcommittee:

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

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Attachment 1: Workshop notes Upper Ruamahanga 17 June 2016

Attachment 2: Workshop notes Upper Ruamahanga 26 July 2016

Attachment 3: Workshop notes Upper Ruamahanga 26 August 2016