

## **Objectives for the Hutt River Floodplain Management Plan**

### ***Floodplain Management***

- ◆ Selected floodplain management measures constructed or established to an agreed standard are in place within the life of the Hutt River Floodplain Management Plan.
- ◆ Solutions for floodplain management which balance benefits and costs to the community are put in place.
- ◆ Selected measures account for a level of residual risk, which is acknowledged and accepted by the community.
- ◆ Selected measures are affordable to the community.
- ◆ The mitigation of the current flood risk from floodplain tributaries is recognised and provided for by the appropriate authorities.
- ◆ A long-term programme for achieving the outcomes of the floodplain management plan process in a manner generally acceptable to all stakeholders is provided.

### ***The Community***

- ◆ Clear advice and accurate information about responsibilities and risks of flooding are provided to the community.
- ◆ Sufficient information on the flood hazard is provided to enable agencies and the wider community to improve preparedness for their response to flooding and its adverse effects.
- ◆ There is no reduction in the quality of public access to and along the river and opportunities are taken to enhance public access.

### ***Cultural Values***

- ◆ The exercise of Kaitiakitanga by the Tangata Whenua is recognised and provided for.

### ***Environmental Values***

- ◆ An Environmental Strategy that identifies measures necessary to maintain and enhance the environmental quality of the river and its corridor is an essential component of the Plan.

### ***Governance***

- ◆ A partnership approach between Wellington Regional Council, Hutt City Council and Upper Hutt City Council is facilitated to manage the flood hazard through annual plan and statutory planning processes both while the Plan is being prepared and during its implementation.
- ◆ The active involvement of stakeholders is recognised and provided for in decision making processes.
- ◆ All interested and affected parties generally support the objectives of the floodplain management plan.