Lower Whanganui Scheme

- Provides flood protection (FP) to Balgownie and Kowhai Park/ Anzac Parade areas of Whanganui;
- Accordingly operational focus is solely relating to the provision of FP ie:
 - inspecting and maintaining FP assets (stopbanks/ floodwalls);
 - undertaking erosion protection works necessary to provide flood protection eg where river bank erosion threatens the integrity of a section of stopbank;
 - monitoring channel capacity.



Scheme Income and Expenditure

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Scheme Income 2016/17 FY

Scheme Expenditure 2016/17 FY









Depreciation

- Under the Local Government Act Councils are obligated to set aside funding for the cost of replacing an asset (referred to as depreciation) when it reaches the end of it's life;
- Although the Scheme has depreciable assets (assets that have a finite life), Council policy exempts the need to set aside such funds where debt is being repaid;
- Given the relatively long debt repayment timeframes this will translate to future (albeit relatively modest) capital expenditure over and above current/ projected expenditure levels;
- Note that stopbanks are not depreciable (their performance does not reduce over time).



Current Levels of Service

- Four 'compartments' to river-related Whanganui flooding:
 - Balgownie. Protected to a 200 year RP standard;
 - Kowhai Park/ Anzac Parade: Protected to a 30 year RP standard with no freeboard;
 - Taupo Quay/ CBD eastern end. Not protected;
 - Putiki. Not protected.
- No provision for any further increase in flood protection standards for Whanganui in Council's current 30 year Infrastructure Strategy.



Balgownie Flood Hazard

- 3.1 km of stopbanking providing a 200 year Return Period standard of flood protection to 60 hectares of predominantly commercial/ industrial land;
- Completed in 2011 costing \$3.2M;
- Loan balance current standing at \$2M and scheduled to be repaid by the end of 2029.





Anzac Parade Flood Hazard

- Existing stopbank passed to Horizons in 2008;
- Cost of achieving 200 year RP protection standard (2.5km of stopbank) estimated in 2011 at \$4.05M;
- Council resolved not to include in 2012-22 Long Term Plan;
- Subsequent decision made to upgrade stopbank to 30 year RP standard, work completed in 2014 at a cost of just over \$1M;
- No provision in Horizons' current 30 year Infrastructure Strategy.





Anzac Parade Flood Hazard

- To achieve a 200 year standard of flood protection requires the crest to be raised by 1.5m;
- Will require a much larger footprint than the existing structure which amongst other things will require the removal of a large number of trees;
- Estimated construction costed at \$4.05M in 2011;
- More realistic cost is around \$6M:
 - The effect of the June 2015 flood on our assessment of the height of a 200 year RP flood (ie a higher stopbank);
 - Knowledge/ understanding gained from June 2014 work;
 - Other impacts with higher stopbank eg piping risk, trafficability for SH4, vehicle ramps etc.



Taupo Quay/ CBD Eastern End

- Very conceptual design undertaken in 2012 identifying the requirement for 2.5km of stopbank/ floodwall;
- Has many inherent challenges including:
 - Narrow berm upstream of City Bridge;
 - Riverbank stability;
 - Tram line;
- For those reasons (and with the increased estimated 200 year RP flood level) the cost estimated in 2011 of \$4.05M is likely to be light;
- Construction not provided for in Horizons' current 30 year Infrastructure Strategy.



Putiki

- Similarly conceptual/ preliminary design work undertaken and consulted on in 2012 but no provision has been made in Horizons' current Long-Term Plan;
- Estimated 2011 cost \$620,000 for 600m of stopbank;
- Again June 2015 event has added around 400mm to estimates of the 200 year Return Period flood height;
- That and accommodating Ngatarua Stream (requires further investigation and analysis) will take the cost closer to \$1M.



2011 Proposal for Putiki



Putiki

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Whanganul River	Proposed stop bank	Takarangi Street	Residential properties
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