Project Report: September – October 2014

Progress to date

On 4 September 2014, the Council’s Environment Committee approved the Project and Engagement Plans for the Island Bay Seawall Project. Since the September meeting of the Environment Committee work has focused on:

- developing a Project Schedule that further defines the tasks that need to be carried out to meet the milestones outlined in the Project Plan
- organising communication channels for the community to have their say.

In particular, we have:

- Organised three public meetings which were held on 9, 14 and 18 October 2014.
- Councillor Paul Eagle co-facilitated these meetings with Paul Berry a member of the Seawall Action Group
- Meetings were conducted in two parts (Part 1 general community discussion, Part 2 subject matter experts available to answer questions)
- Participants were also able to submit preferences, new ideas and provide general feedback.
- Councillor’s Eagle and Lee also visited (door knocked) at houses close to the affected area to ensure that residents are aware of the communication channels to have their say on the seawall.
- Flyers, posters, booklets, tweets and Facebook posts were all arranged to let people know where they can get information and have their say on the seawall.
- Information has also been organised and placed at the Library and Community centre (which will be manned at specified times). We have also updated the information available on our website.

Next steps

The following table outlines the key dates for the next stages of the Project:

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<th>Milestones</th>
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<td>Consultation (identify options and preferences)</td>
<td>9 October – 10 November</td>
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<td>Consultation closes</td>
<td>10 November 2014</td>
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<td>Oral submissions (TBC)</td>
<td>Oral Hearings will be heard at Wellington City Council, 101 Wakefield Street, on 27 November 2014. The Council’s Environment Committee may also hear oral submissions in early December if a significant number of people wish to make a submission. The December hearing would be held at a venue in Island Bay.</td>
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<td>Council’s Environment Committee will decide options to be progressed for design and costing.</td>
<td>16 December 2014.</td>
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