



## MEMO

**To** HRCCUP Management Group

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The Transport Agency are progressing investigations to support investment at the Melling intersections on SH2. These investigations follow the development of the Melling Gateway Programme Business Case which highlighted opportunities for co-ordinated investment in flood protection, urban design and transport improvements. Greater Wellington Regional Council, Hutt City Council and Transport Agency officers continue to collaborate to realise these opportunities.

The Transport Agency have initiated the development of an indicative business case (IBC) for investing in Melling intersection improvements. The IBC will identify the scope for any future improvements as well as informing funding and procurement decisions. It will answer technical questions regarding the integration of any intersection improvements with a replacement Melling bridge. This will provide a greater level of certainty for the design of the flood protection works.

The Transport Agency are in the process of appointing a consultant to assist with the development of the IBC. The tender evaluation team includes representatives of GWRC and HCC. It is expected that this professional services contract will be awarded by the end of July 2016.

The project programme is designed to see final reporting and Transport Agency endorsement of the IBC in the first part of 2017 allowing time for funding discussions prior to June 2017.

The main risks to programme stem from the degree of co-ordination and alignment between GWRC, HCC and the Transport Agency. Officers from each organisation are working together to strengthen processes for maintaining and strengthening this alignment.

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