Cross Boundary Matters

Lower Hutt has shared boundaries with Wellington city, Porirua, Upper Hutt and South Wairarapa. Lower Hutt is within the Wellington region, and many aspects of the Wellington region are administered by the Wellington Regional Council.

Cross boundary issues are situations where an activity takes place on or near a territorial boundary and where the effects of that activity impact on the territory of an adjacent authority.

While Hutt City Council's jurisdiction ends at its territorial boundaries, integrated resource management requires coordination and cooperation between authorities to manage cross boundary issues.

Cross-boundary issues are addressed by:

1. Ensuring a degree of consistency and integration between the Lower Hutt District Plan and the plans of adjoining territorial authorities and the Wellington Regional Council.
2. Consulting with adjoining authorities, Wellington Regional Council, Te Rūnanganui o Te Āti Awa ki Te Upoko o Te Ika a Māui, Taranaki Whānui ki te Upoko o te Ika and Te Rūnanga o Toa Rangatira on resource management matters, including Plan reviews, Plan changes and resource consent applications as required under the RMA or as is necessary or appropriate. This includes discussions between council officers and Mana Whenua staff and possible notification of resource consent applications for resource consent in adjoining authorities.
3. Where appropriate, joint hearings with adjoining territorial authorities and/or the Wellington Regional Council.