



Minutes

of the

Thames-Coromandel District Council

Ordinary meeting

Date 25 and 26 June 2014
Venue Council Chamber
515 Mackay Street
Thames

Present

GF Leach JP (Mayor)	HD Bartley	PA Brijevich
	DR Connors	LA Fox
	PL French	SA Goudie (only 25 th)
	JT Wells	

In Attendance

Community Board Chairs

John Walker QSM, Paul Kelly JP, Bob Renton, Keith Johnston.

Staff

David Hammond, Peter Wishart, Ariana Wickliffe, Ben Day Steve Baker, Matt Busch.

25 June 2014 only

Laurna White, Marion Smith, Christine Tye, Ross Ashby, Wendy Molloy.

26 June 2014 only

Rebekah Duffin, Greg Hampton, Vanessa Cooling, Simon Stephens, Steve de Laborde.

Meeting Commenced 25 June 2014 at 08:03 am

Adjournments and Absences

Adjournment	Start	Finish	Reason
<u>25 June 2014</u>			
His Worship	10:25	10:57	Morning Tea
His Worship	13:49	14:20	Lunch
His Worship	15:30	-----	Reconvene meeting Thursday 26 June 2014

Meeting Reconvened 26 June 2014 at 09:30 am

<u>26 June 2014</u>			
His Worship	12:06	12:30	Lunch

Adjournments and Absences

Adjournment	Start	Finish	Reason
<u>25 June 2014</u>			
Absences	Start	Finish	Item
SA Goudie	08:41	08:43	2.5
SA Goudie	08:51	08:54	6.6
SA Goudie	09:58	10:00	5.2
PL French	09:55	10:04	5.2
<u>26 June 2014</u>			
Absences	Start	Finish	Item
PL French	10:25	10:28	5.4

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1 Meeting conduct

1.1 Apologies

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the apologies from the following attendees for 25 June 2014

Name	Reason	From	To
Councillor Goudie	Lateness	09:00	09:15
Councillor McLean	Non-attendance	08:00	15:50
Board Chair Peters	Non-attendance	08:00	15:50

Moved/Seconded by: Fox/Brljevich

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the apologies from the following attendees for 26 June 2014

Name	Reason	From	To
Councillor Goudie	Non-attendance	09:30	14:43
Councillor McLean	Non-attendance	09:30	14:43
Board Chair Peters	Non-attendance	09:30	14:43

Moved/Seconded by: Wells/Connors

1.2 Public forum

Garry Blake-Historic Kopu Bridge Society

Garry Blake spoke to his tabled submission and acknowledged apologies from Robin Byron and John La Roche. The Society had undertaken further cost analysis of the NZTA maintenance assessment. As previously noted in prior presentations the society still wished for the retention of the bridge. Furthermore Garry Blake noted that the society had collected over 2,700 signatures in support of this position.

Justine Baverstock – Thames Indoor Sports Facility

Justine Baverstock noted the current facility does not meet the demand. For example, indoor basketball is increasing in popularity, as is indoor soccer. All user groups have been consulted and Sports Waikato has been asked for assistance. Noted that there are currently 40 under 5's on the gymnasium waiting list. The establishment of weekend tournaments offers the potential of visitor stays and attendant expenditure on accommodation and hospitality service opportunities.

Karen Murphy – Thames Indoor Sports Facility

Karen Murphy provided information of the fundraising for this proposal. The group is committed and realistic about their funding endeavours, have got networking capabilities. SGL have been taking advice from a company using techniques specific to Thames. Already up and running and have secured funding in the form of pledges.

Adrienne de Laborde – Thames Indoor Sports Facility

The Thames High School Representative spoke in support of the business case and requested Council highly consider the approval.

John Isdale – Chair of ISITE Information Centre for Thames

John spoke to concerns with the Service Level Agreement and advised that his comments to staff have not been addressed. Moving forward into the 2014/15 agreement, John requested improvements and welcomed staff along with the Economic Development Chairperson to attend their meetings.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the speakers in public forum.

Moved/Seconded By: French/Goudie

1.3 Items not on the agenda

Resolved

That:

1. The following matter(s) requiring urgent attention be added to the agenda.

Item Description

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| 2.6 | LATE ITEM – Updated Draft Bylaw Consultation Documents – Draft Dog Control Policy and Bylaw and Draft Control of Advertising. |
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Reason not on the agenda

Staff have recently established that elements of the documents presented to Council at its 21 May 2014 meeting need changing in order to go out for public consultation.

Reason cannot be delayed

This issue cannot wait until the following Council meeting as consultation is due to start earlier, consistent with Council resolution.

Item Description

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| 5.9 | LATE ITEM – Mercury Bay Coastal Erosion Funding – Mercury Bay |
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Reason not on the agenda

Storm Event occurred on 10 and 11 June 2014 caused further damage to the coastline.

Reason cannot be delayed

Decision required is to allow works to be carried out prior to Christmas.

Moved/Seconded By: French/Connors

1.4 Conflict of interest

Councillor Goudie noted a conflict of interest to item 2.5 - Amendment to Terms of Reference for District Plan Hearing Panel.

Councillor Brljevich noted a conflict of interest to item Public Excluded item 10.1 - Hauraki Treaty Settlement Redress Proposal and 10.5 - Late ITEM - Hauraki Treaty Settlements - Co-governance Arrangements.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Noted the conflict of interests.

Moved/Seconded by: Leach/Fox

1.5 Minutes for confirmation

Minutes of Thames-Coromandel District Council meeting for 28 and 1 May 2014 - 2014/2015 Annual Plan Hearings, 12 May 2014 – Deliberations and 21 May 2014 – Council Meeting were presented for confirmation.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Confirms the following Minutes
 - Draft 2014/2015 Annual Plan Hearing Minutes – 28 April 2014 and 1 May 2014
 - Draft Annual Plan Deliberations Minutes – 12 May 2014
 - Thames-Coromandel District Council Minutes – 21 May 2014.

Moved/Seconded by: Leach/Fox

1.6 2014 Community service awards

Mayor Leach presented Community Service Awards to the following nominees in recognition of their outstanding service to the community:

- Steve Hart, Whitianga
- Graeme Wood, Thames
- Jane Poutu, Thames

2 Planning and Strategic Relationships

2.1 Draft Freedom Camping Bylaw

Staff presented the draft Freedom Camping Bylaw and related documents, and sought Council's endorsement and adoption of the draft bylaw for formal consultation.

Key discussion points

- Members were provided with additional information prior to the meeting. This included Section 11 analysis and the full statement of proposal and its summary. Staff explained that the statement of proposal document incorporated the draft bylaw with schedules of area descriptions and maps.
- Staff tabled revised recommendations for members to consider.
- Staff noted that, in consultation with Community Boards (as delegated), around 95 areas had been identified where freedom camping should be prohibited or restricted.
- Staff noted that a district-wide restriction is proposed in the bylaw to only allow certified self-contained freedom campers, in-line with the Council policy statement on freedom camping.
- There was discussion on proposed restrictions. Where a required departure time is proposed, members considered that applying a consistent time was logical and agreed 8am was acceptable.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the Draft Freedom Camping Bylaw report, dated 3 June 2014.
2. Notes the assessment of issues, implications and options outlined in the determination report (Attachment B).
3. Resolves that a freedom camping bylaw is necessary in the Thames-Coromandel District under the provisions of Section 11 of the Freedom Camping Act 2011.
4. Resolves to adopt the area analysis undertaken that identifies areas and rationale for restricting or prohibiting freedom camping in the Thames-Coromandel District; and in the case of restriction, what restrictions should apply (Attachment C - Section 11 analysis).
5. Resolves to consult on the proposed revocation of Clause 203.5 of Council's Part 2 Public Places Bylaw 2004.
6. Resolves to consult on the proposed revocation of Clause 2003.5 of Council's Part 20 Parking Control Bylaw 2004.
7. Endorses and adopts the proposed Draft Freedom Camping Bylaw 2014 Statement of proposal and summary that incorporates the draft Bylaw, with changes, as the basis for a public consultation in accordance with sections 83 and 86 of the Local Government Act 2002.
8. Include in the statement of proposal maps of areas in the district where the Freedom Camping Bylaw could prohibit or restrict freedom camping.

Moved/Seconded by: French/Wells

2.2 2014/2015 Annual Plan adoption

Staff presented the 2014/2015 Annual Plan for adoption by the Council. Members were provided with additional information prior to the meeting. This included 2014/2015 Annual Plan and Fees and Charges.

Key discussion points

- Members discussed the damage from the recent June storm events and whether funding be sourced from the disaster reserve. It was noted that no changes were to be made to the Annual Plan.
- Members asked that staff be applauded for their hard work in preparing the Annual Plan.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the 2014/2015 Annual Plan adoption report, dated 3 June 2014.
2. Confirms that the changes made to the Annual Plan and fees and charges schedule are consistent with the decisions made at the deliberations meeting.
3. Notes that the Rates Remission Policies and Revenue and Financing Policy are being updated on Council's website.
4. Retains the current funding of development contributions for community infrastructure.
5. Adopts the 2014/2015 Annual Plan and Fees and Charges Schedule.

Moved/Seconded by: Fox/Leach

2.3 Long term plan - Council and Community Board workshop programme

Staff presented Council with the long-term plan workshop programme for July 2014.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the Long term plan - Council and Community Board Workshop Programme report, dated 11 June 2014.
2. Confirms the Long term plan workshop programme for the period to the end of July 2014.

Moved/Seconded by: Leach/Fox

2.4 Ohuka Park Water Association consultation

Staff sought Council's consent to commence a special consultative procedure for Ohuka Park residents to join the Council's water supply system.

Key discussion points

- Staff have identified 75 owners in the Ohuka area for the consultation.
- If owners did not want to connect, the Council would have to make a decision to seek payment of connection and development contribution costs as well as ongoing water charges. Exceptions or use of remissions to those wishing to opt out could not be made for these individuals as it would set a precedent across the district.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the Ohuka Park Water Association consultation report, dated 4 June 2014.
2. Directs the Chief Executive to initiate the special consultative procedure as set out in the report incorporating the statement of proposal and key dates for consultation.
3. Nominated the following councillors to undertake the hearing and deliberations:
 - Tony Fox
 - Murray McLean
 - Sandra Goudie
 - Diane Connors
 - Jack Wells
 - Tony Brljevic

Moved/Seconded by: Goudie/Fox

2.5 Amendment to terms of reference for District Plan hearings panel

Staff sought an amendment to the terms of reference for the District Plan hearings panel ('the Panel') so that the Panel has the option of meeting up to four days per week (the terms of reference currently limits the Panel to meeting up to three days per week).

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the amendment to terms and reference for District Plan hearings panel report, dated 10 June 2014.
2. Approves the amendment to the terms of reference for the District Plan hearings panel so that the Panel can meet up to four days per week, if required.

Moved/Seconded By: Leach/French

2.6 LATE ITEM - Updated Draft Bylaw Consultation Documents - Draft Dog Control Policy and Bylaw and Draft Control of Advertising

Staff sought Council's endorsement and adoption of updated consultation documents for public consultation on the Draft Dog Control Policy and Bylaw and Draft Control of Advertising Bylaw, as resolved at Council's 21 May 2014 meeting.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the updated draft bylaw consultation documents report, dated 24 June 2014.
2. Endorses and adopts the tabled updated draft Dog Control Policy and Bylaw 2014 statement of proposal and summary that incorporates the draft policy and bylaw, for public consultation in accordance with sections 83 and 86 of the Local Government Act 2002.
3. Endorses and adopts the updated Draft Control of Advertising Bylaw 2014 statement of proposal and summary that incorporates the draft bylaw, as the basis for public consultation in accordance with sections 83 and 86 of the Local Government Act 2002.

Moved/Seconded by: Leach/Fox

3 Community governance

3.1 June 2014 - Economic Development Committee delegations

Amended delegations for the Economic Development Committee were proposed to empower the committee to effectively and efficiently implement the Council's events and economic development strategies and associated activity work programmes.

Key discussion points

- Members discussed the governance of the committee and decided to amend the recommendation to require at least equal numbers of elected to non-elected members be involved in approvals and decisions.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the Economic Development committee delegations report, dated 10 May 2014.
2. In accordance with the Local Government Act 2002, Schedule 7, clause 32, confirms the 2014 Economic Development Committee delegations, with the following amendments to the quorum:

"The quorum at any meeting of the Committee shall be no less than four members with elected members being at least equal in number to external economic development expert appointees"

Moved/Seconded by: Leach/Fox

3.2 2014-2015 business grants

Staff provided a revised criteria and process for awarding the 2014/15 business growth fund. The Economic Development Committee, at its May meeting, endorsed the proposed criteria and process.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the business grants report, dated 30 May 2014.
2. Approves the "fund purpose" and "application criteria" for the 2014/15 Business Growth Fund.
3. Approves the "quality of information" criteria required to submit a grant application for the 2014/15 Business Growth Fund.
4. Approves the application process for the 2014/15 Business Growth Fund.

Moved/Seconded by: Leach/French

3.3 Thames indoor sports facility project

Staff presented the Thames indoor sport facilities business case to the Council for consideration. Staff tabled the Thames Community Board resolution to approve the project at their 24 June 2014 meeting

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the Thames indoor sports facility project report, dated 6 June 2014.
2. Endorses the Thames Community Board recommendation of 24 June 2014:
 - a. Approving the project management recommendation to proceed with the Thames Indoor Sports Facility project; and
 - b. Approving Milestone Three (Resource Consent Application) at an expected cost of \$258,000.

Moved/Seconded by: French/Connors

4 Regulatory

4.1 Enforcement of boat trailer registrations and warrants of fitness by council enforcement officers

The New Zealand Police requested Council enforcement officers support the enforcement of boat trailer registrations and warrants of fitness in all Community Board areas. Graham Shields Senior Sergeant - Thames/Coromandel Police spoke to attachment A.

Key discussion points

- Members supported the initiative in principle but considered that Council resources should be directed toward the education and encouragement of road users.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the Enforcement of Boat Trailer Registrations and Warrants of Fitness by Council Enforcement Officers report, dated 20 April 2014.
2. Instructs Council staff to work with the police to educate and encourage road users to improve road safety on the Coromandel.

Moved/Seconded by: Connors/Wells

Deputy Mayor French requested his vote against the motion be recorded.

5 Infrastructure

5.1 Service level agreements for 2014/15 visitor information centres

Staff sought approval for the 2014-15 service level agreements for the funding of the visitor information centres at Thames, Coromandel Town, Pauanui and Tairua.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the service level agreement for 2014/15 visitor information centres report, dated 21 May 2014.
2. Approves the service level agreements for the Thames, Coromandel Town, Pauanui and Tairua visitor information centres for the 2014-15 financial year.

Moved/Seconded by: Leach/French

Extend Meeting past the six hour duration

Under Standing Order 3.3.7 Council agreed to extend the meeting past the six hour duration.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Extends the meeting time past the six hour duration, until the conclusion of its business.

Moved/Seconded by: French/Goudie

5.2 Whitianga ISITE 2014-2018 service level agreement

Staff sought approval for the service level agreement between Thames-Coromandel District Council and Destination Coromandel to operate a visitor information centre at Whitianga.

Key discussion points

- Council requested that given the Whitianga visitor information centre is a regional resource at least one appropriately trained employee be in attendance at all times.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the Whitianga ISITE 2014-2018 service level agreement report, dated 21 May 2014
2. Approves the service level agreement to operate the Whitianga visitor information centre with the following amendments.

To add the clause from the provision of the visitor information service level agreement (1 July 2014 - 30 June 2015).

5.1 *The Information Centre will be open 7 days a week (open a minimum of 48 hours), between 1 October - 28 February. The Association can set autumn and winter hours to best accommodate the visitor demand of the local area.*

5.2 *The Information Centre will be staffed at all times by at least one appropriately trained employee.*

Moved/Seconded by: Fox/Goudie

5.3 2014-15 district roading project definitions

The report outlined the district roading project definitions for the 2014/15 financial year for council's consideration and approval.

Key discussion points

- Councillor Goudie requested that roading projects be considered for their alignment to non-council activities and events.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the 2014-15 district roading project definitions report, dated 28 May 2014.
2. Approves the following project definitions for roading and notes that for these projects, a business case is not required:
 - District - Area wide pavement treatment \$ 1,500,000
 - District - Maintenance chipseals \$ 1,300,000
3. Include at the next project definition review a consideration of non-Council activities and events that interface with Council's infrastructure networks and assets.

Moved/Seconded by: Leach/Brljevich

5.4 Kopu Bridge - Review of historic Kopu Bridge Society proposal

The report provided Council with the Society's proposal for the management and upkeep of the old Kopu Bridge. A peer review of the various engineering reports related to the structural assessment, asset condition and maintenance costs; and potential options for considering the retention of the bridge structure in support of the Society.

Key discussion points

- Councillors requested the following costs be confirmed
 - the total cost to open the bridge (including cost to meet new health and safety standards)
 - the cost of demolishing the bridge, including the removal of the piles (councillors estimated a larger amount than the report)
 - annual maintenance costs.
- Could council utilise the NZTA demolition consent in the future should the necessity arise - staff would discuss with NZTA.
- There was an opportunity to determine public opinion via a survey that could be circulated with the next rates notice (information provided with the survey needed to clear about options, costs and implications).
- Concern was noted about drawing funding away from other community projects particularly those that were further down the track of securing their objectives.
- The bridge project held a potential of synergies with other community projects e.g. Thames Wharfing facility.

Motion

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the review of Historic Kopu Bridge Society Proposal report, dated 10 June.
2. Do not support the retention of the old Kopu Bridge and leave in the ownership of the New Zealand Transport Agency.

Moved/Seconded by: Leach/Wells

The motion was lost 6-2 on a show of hands

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the review of Historic Kopu Bridge Society Proposal report, dated 10 June.
2. Conditionally supports in principle the retention of the old Kopu Bridge.
3. Instructs staff to initiate discussion with NZTA and other relevant parties to confirm robust figures in relation to:
 - total cost to open the bridge for safe public use
 - total cost to demolish the bridge in its entirety, including the piles
 - total ongoing cost of annual maintenance
4. Instructs staff to undertake a public opinion poll as to the future of the bridge in conjunction with the next rates demand.
5. Instructs staff to report back to Council by September 2014.

Moved/Seconded by: Fox/Brljevich

5.5 Pauanui amenity building - additional funding approval

Staff sought approval for additional funding outside the approved budget to complete Pauanui amenity building project.

Key discussion points

- Tairua-Pauanui Board Chair confirmed he was confident that all aspects of funding had now been identified.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the Pauanui amenity building - additional funding approval report report.
2. Approves the additional funding of \$103,414 for the Pauanui Amenity building project.

Moved/Seconded by: Bartley/Wells

5.6 Vesting stormwater infrastructure to Council at Resolution Rise, Cooks Beach

Staff sought approval to purchase 0.806 hectares of land containing existing stormwater infrastructure, at 41 Resolution Rise, Cooks Beach.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the vesting stormwater infrastructure to Council at Resolution Rise, Cooks Beach report, dated 4 May 2014
2. Resolves to purchase Lot 15 DP 409999, which includes stormwater infrastructure.
3. Delegates to the Chief Executive authority to complete all necessary steps to give effect to the acquisition and legalisation as outlined in the report.

Moved/Seconded by: Brljevich/French

5.7 Storm damage April 2014 budget request

Staff sought Council approval to fund storm damage response and reinstatement works resulting from road damage caused by high rainfall from the 17 April 2014 storm event from the Disaster Reserve budget. Staff tabled the Infrastructure Committee recommendation from 18 June 2014 which endorsed additional funding for storm related damages for June event.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council

1. Receives the storm damage April 2014 budget request report, 4 June 2014.
2. Approves the transfer of \$67,830 from the Disaster Reserve in 2013/14 to fund completion of storm damage repair works associated with the April 2014 storm event.

Moved/Seconded by: Goudie/Brljevich

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council

1. Approves the transfer of \$114,000 from the Disaster Reserve in 2013/2014 to fund storm damage repair works associated with the June 2014 storm event.
2. Approve the transfer of \$386,175 from the Disaster Reserve in 2014/2015 to fund storm damage repair works associated with the June 2014 storm event.

Moved/Seconded by: Goudie/Wells

5.8 Commitment to Waikato Road Asset Technical Alliance

Staff requested Council make a commitment in principle to the Waikato road asset technical initiative.

Key discussion points

- Council questioned if it can withdraw if not happy with progress and staff affirmed that there is the ability to pull out after 12 months.
- Council asked if in joining the alliance would this compromise Council's ability to seek its own efficiencies. Staff indicated that this would not be the case.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the commitment to Waikato Road Asset Technical Alliance report, 30 May 2014.
2. Makes a commitment in principle to Waikato Road Asset Technical Alliance.
3. Delegates authority to the Mayor and Chief Executive to enter into a multi-party funding agreement with Waikato Local Authority Shared Service for the operational costs associated with Waikato Road Asset Technical Alliance.

Moved/Seconded By: Leach/Brljevich

5.9 LATE ITEM - Coastal erosion funding - Mercury Bay

Staff requested funding and approval to construct stage two of the Buffalo Beach Seawall and an extension to the Cooks Beach wall in response to the recent severe storm and continued waterfront erosion. Staff presented photos which illustrated damage on Cooks Beach and Buffalo Beach seawalls as a result of the 10-11 June 2014 storm events.

Key discussion points

- Staff sought Council's approval for two options which can be used to mitigate risk. Dune restoration and planting and extension of seawalls.
- Members felt that further action needs to be taken and favoured the option of extending the seawalls.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the report.
2. Notes the Coastal Hazards Policy Framework for peninsula coastal hazard prone locations adopted in 2007 and recognised that decisions associated with this report may be inconsistent with this policy.
3. Notes that Council believes there are occasions where it is necessary to take action to protect Council infrastructure and land affected by coastal erosion and requests that staff review the Coastal Hazards Policy Framework for Peninsula Coastal Hazard Prone Locations to provide flexibility for Council to carry out works to protect Council land and infrastructure as necessary.
4. Notes the recommendations of Eco Nomos Limited in relation to the Cooks Beach Wall/Purangi Reserve Area.
5. Confirms that funding of up to \$358,340 is approved for the construction of an extension to the Cooks Beach Wall.
6. Confirms funding of \$633,100 for the stage two extension of the Buffalo Beach Seawall.
7. Confirms that district funding through the Hazard Management activity will be used for both the Cooks Beach wall extension and the Buffalo Beach stage two projects.
8. Notes that it does not require further business cases or project definitions on either the Cooks Beach wall extension or the Buffalo Beach seawall stage two project prior to construction.
9. Notes that the Long term plan includes a ten year view of potential works and funding required for coastal protection.

Moved/Seconded by: Leach/Fox

6 Finance

6.1 2014-2015 setting of rates

The report provided the council with the rates setting recommendations for the year commencing 1 July 2014 in accordance with the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 and Council's 2014-2015 Annual Plan.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the report.
2. Sets the following rates under the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, on rating units in the District for the financial year commencing 1 July 2014 and ending on 30 June 2015; and notes that -
 - All statutory references are to the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002.
 - All amounts are GST inclusive.

1. General rate

A general rate on the land value of all rateable land in the district, on a differential basis as follows;

Sections 13(2)(b)

Differential rating classification	Rate
Farming and Horticultural	\$0.000583
Rural Other	\$0.000972
Industrial and Commercial	\$0.000972
Commercial Forestry	\$0.000972
Residential	\$0.000972
Off Shore Islands – Used	\$0.000486
Off Shore Islands – Unused	\$0.000097

2. Uniform annual general charge

A uniform annual general charge as a fixed amount of \$338.14 per separately used or inhabited part (SUIP) of every rateable rating unit in the District.

Section 15(1)(b)

3. Targeted rate for solid waste collection and recycling

A differential targeted rate for solid waste collection and recycling, per separately used or inhabited part (SUIP) of a rating unit in the District, which is provided with a collection service as follows:

Section 16(3)(b) and (4)(b)

Location	Targeted rates
Thames Community	\$129.56 per SUIP
Coromandel/Colville Community	\$129.56 per SUIP
Mercury Bay Community	\$142.03 per SUIP
Tairua/Pauanui Community	\$151.99 per SUIP
Whangamata Community	\$151.99 per SUIP

4. Targeted rates for Moanataiari flood protection loan

Targeted rates for the Moanataiari flood protection loan as a fixed amount on every rating unit in the area of benefit for which no election has been made to pay a lump sum contribution, and for which an election has been made to pay a 50% lump sum contribution.

Area of benefit	Targeted rate
Where no election has been made: Moanataiari Flood Protection Loan	\$202.84 per rating unit
Where a 50% election has been made: Moanataiari Flood Protection Loan	\$101.42 per rating unit

Section 16(3)(b) and (4)(a); section 145

5. Targeted rates for land drainage

Targeted rates for land drainage on every rateable rating unit in the following designated land drainage areas, as a rate in the dollar on land value:

Section 16(3)(b) and (4)(a)

Rates	Targeted rates
Hikutaia/Wharepoa	\$0.000307 per dollar of land value
Matatoki	\$0.000217 per dollar of land value

6. Targeted rates for local works and services

Two targeted rates in each community board area of the District for the purposes of funding local works and services: the first as a fixed amount and the second as a rate in the dollar of land value

Targeted rates of a fixed amount:

- (a) per separately used or inhabited part (SUIP) of every rateable rating unit in each community board area, except for rating units designated industrial and commercial, and, commercial forestry, in Council's rating information database; and
- (b) per rating unit for rating units designated industrial and commercial, and, commercial forestry, in Council's rating information database, as follows:

Location	Targeted rates	Farming & horticultural, rural other, residential & off shore islands - Used & off shore islands - Unused	Industrial commercial & commercial forestry
Thames Community	\$268.42	Per SUIP	Per rating unit
Coromandel/Colville Community	\$136.82	Per SUIP	Per rating unit
Mercury Bay Community	\$199.15	Per SUIP	Per rating unit
Tairua/Pauanui Community	\$188.34	Per SUIP	Per rating unit
Whangamata Community	\$141.79	Per SUIP	Per rating unit

Section 16(3)(b) and (4)(b)

Differential targeted rates as a rate in the dollar on land value on every rateable rating unit in each community board area as follows:

Section 16(3)(b) and (4)(b)

a) Thames community

Differential rating classification	Rate
Farming and Horticultural	\$0.001381 per dollar of land value
Rural Other	\$0.001381 per dollar of land value
Commercial Forestry	\$0.001381 per dollar of land value
Industrial and Commercial	\$0.001381 per dollar of land value
Residential	\$0.001381 per dollar of land value

b) Coromandel/Colville community

Differential Rating Classification	Rate
Farming and Horticultural	\$0.000836 per dollar of land value
Rural Other	\$0.000836 per dollar of land value
Commercial Forestry	\$0.000836 per dollar of land value
Industrial and Commercial	\$0.000836 per dollar of land value
Residential	\$0.000836 per dollar of land value
Off Shore Islands – Used	\$0.000418 per dollar of land value
Off Shore Islands – Unused	\$0.000084 per dollar of land value

c) Mercury Bay community

Differential rating classification	Rate
Farming and Horticultural	\$0.000618 per dollar of land value
Rural Other	\$0.000618 per dollar of land value
Commercial Forestry	\$0.000618 per dollar of land value
Industrial and Commercial	\$0.000618 per dollar of land value
Residential	\$0.000618 per dollar of land value
Off Shore Islands – Used	\$0.000309 per dollar of land value

d) Tairua/Pauanui community

Differential rating classification	Rate
Farming and Horticultural	\$0.000637 per dollar of land value
Rural Other	\$0.000637 per dollar of land value
Commercial Forestry	\$0.000637 per dollar of land value
Industrial and Commercial	\$0.000637 per dollar of land value
Residential	\$0.000637 per dollar of land value
Off Shore Islands – Used	\$0.000319 per dollar of land value
Off Shore Islands – Unused	\$0.000064 per dollar of land value

e) Whangamata community

Differential rating classification	Rate
Farming and Horticultural	\$0.000559 per dollar of land value
Rural Other	\$0.000559 per dollar of land value
Commercial Forestry	\$0.000559 per dollar of land value
Industrial and Commercial	\$0.000559 per dollar of land value
Residential	\$0.000559 per dollar of land value

7. Targeted rates for wastewater disposal

Targeted rates for wastewater disposal of fixed amounts set per separately used or inhabited part (SUIP) of a rating unit for residential rating units, and based on the number of water closets and urinals in each part for all differential categories other than residential.

Section 16(3)(b) and (4)(b)

Differential rating classification	Rate
Residential	\$775.39 per SUIP
Non-residential uses – 1 water closet/urinal	\$775.39 per water closet/urinal
Non-residential uses - > 1 water closet/urinal, including the first	\$387.69 per water closet/urinal

8. Targeted rates for wastewater loan charges Whangapoua Road

Targeted rates of a fixed amount for wastewater loans on every rating unit in the area of benefit for which no election has been made to pay a lump sum contribution, as follows:

Section 16(3)(b) and (4)(a); section 145

Area of benefit	Targeted rates
Whangapoua Road	\$455.02 per rating unit

9. Targeted rates for wastewater loan charges Cooks Beach existing users

A targeted rate for the Cooks Beach wastewater existing users loan as a fixed amount per separately used or inhabited part (SUIP) of a rating unit for residential rating units, and based on the number of water closets or urinals in each part for all differential categories other than residential, in the area of benefit, for which no election has been made to pay a lump sum contribution or for which an election has been made to pay a 50% lump sum contribution and the rest of the rating unit's liability by targeted rate.

Section 16(3)(b) and (4)(b)

Differential rating classification	Rate
Where no election has been made:	
Residential	\$750.84 per SUIP
Non-residential uses – 1 water closet/urinal	\$750.84 per water closet/urinal
Non-residential uses - > 1 water closet/urinal, including the first	\$375.42 per water closet/urinal
Service available but not connected	\$750.84 per rating unit
Where a 50% election has been made:	
Residential per SUIP	\$375.42 per SUIP
Non-residential uses – 1 water closet/urinal	\$375.42 per water closet/urinal
Non-residential uses - > 1 water closet/urinal, including the first	\$187.71 per water closet/urinal

10. Targeted rates for stormwater

Two targeted rates on rating units designated residential or industrial and commercial in Council's rating information database, in each community as defined by Council, are to be set for the purposes of funding stormwater dispersal.

The first targeted rate is to be set as a fixed amount per separately used or inhabited part (SUIP) of a rateable rating unit, differentiated depending on location; and the second as a rate in the dollar on improvement value, differentiated depending on the location, as defined by Council.

- (a) Targeted rates of a fixed amount per separately used or inhabited part (SUIP) of every rateable rating unit designated residential or industrial and commercial in each community area and differentiated by location, as defined by Council for stormwater as follows:

Section 16(3)(b) and (4)(b)

Areas (as defined by Council)	Targeted rates
Thames Community Board area	
Thames and Kopu (excluding Kauaeranga Valley, Matatoki, Puriri and Whakatete Bay)	\$163.63 per SUIP
Hikutaia	\$98.18 per SUIP
Coromandel/Colville Community Board area	
Coromandel	\$78.60 per SUIP
Kennedy Bay, Tuataewa and Te Kouma (excludes 399, 401, 403, 405 and 407 Te Kouma Road)	\$47.16 per SUIP
Mercury Bay Community Board area	
Mercury Bay (excluding Otama and Rings Beach)	\$66.18 per SUIP
Kuaotunu west and Wharekaho	\$39.71 per SUIP
Tairua/Pauanui Community Board area	
Tairua	\$68.09 per SUIP
Pauanui	\$31.33 per SUIP

Whangamata Community Board area	
Whangamata	\$39.41 per SUIP
Opoutere	\$23.65 per SUIP

- (b) Targeted rates as a rate in the dollar on value of improvements on every rateable rating unit designated residential or industrial and commercial in each community area and differentiated by location, as defined by Council for stormwater as follows:

Section 16(3)(b) and (4)(b)

Areas (as defined by Council)	Targeted rates
Thames Community Board area	
Thames and Kopu (excluding Kauaeranga Valley, Matatoki, Puriri and Whakatete Bay)	\$0.000350
Hikutaia	\$0.000210
Coromandel/Colville Community Board area	
Coromandel	\$0.000179
Kennedy Bay, Tuatēawa and Te Kouma (excludes 399, 401, 403, 405 and 407 Te Kouma Road)	\$0.000107
Mercury Bay Community Board area	
Mercury Bay (excluding Otama and Rings Beach)	\$0.000139
Kuaotunu west and Wharekaho	\$0.000084
Tairua/Pauanui Community Board area	
Tairua	\$0.000134
Pauanui	\$0.000056
Whangamata Community Board area	
Whangamata	\$0.000082
Opoutere	\$0.000049

11. Targeted rates for water supply

A differential targeted rate on all rating units in the District that are connected or capable of being connected to a council water scheme of a fixed amount calculated as follows:

- per SUIP for all rating units that are connected and un-metered; or
- per SUIP for all rating units that are connected and metered; and
- and a fixed amount per cubic metre; or
- a fixed amount per rating unit for all rating units that are not connected but are capable of being connected.

The targeted rates are as follows:

Section 16(3)(b) and (4)(b); section 19(2)(a)

Differential rating classification	Rate
Connected and un-metered	\$517.48 per SUIP
Connected and metered	\$255.64 per SUIP
Service available but not connected	\$388.11 per rating unit
By volume	\$ 1.27 per cubic metre

12. Targeted rates for water supply loan charges

A targeted rate of a fixed amount for water supply loans on every rating unit in the area of benefit, for which no election has been made to pay a lump sum contribution, and for which an election has been made to pay a 50% lump sum contribution and the rest of the rating unit's liability discharged by targeted rates.

Section 16(3)(b) and (4)(a)

Area of benefit	Targeted Rate
Where no election has been made: Coromandel Water	\$365.51 per rating unit
Where a 50% election has been made: Coromandel Water	\$182.76 per rating unit

13. Targeted rate for economic development

A targeted rate for economic development as a rate in the dollar of \$0.001177 on the value of improvements, on every rating unit in the district, which is, designated industrial and commercial, in Council's rating information database.

Section 16(3)(b) and (4)(a)

14. Targeted rate for district transportation and building control

A targeted rate for district transportation and building control as a rate in the dollar of \$0.000222 on capital value, on every rateable rating unit in the District.

Section 16(3)(a) and (4)(a)

15. Postponement fees

Council will charge a postponement fee on all rates that are postponed under any of its postponement policies. The postponement fees will be as follows:

Register statutory land charge \$180.00

Independent advice \$307.00

Management Fee on the Postponement Policy: 1% pa on the outstanding balance

Reserve Fund Fee on the Postponement Policy: 0.25% pa on the outstanding balance

Financing Fee on all postponements: 6.5% pa on the outstanding balance

Section 88(2)

Due dates for payment of rates

That all rates (except water by volume) will be payable in three equal instalments due on:

- a) instalment one 8 September 2014
- b) instalment two 8 December 2014
- c) instalment three 8 April 2015

That rates for water by volume will be payable in two instalments due on the following dates:

Pauanui	a)	instalment one	10 December 2014
	b)	instalment two	20 May 2015
Thames Urban	a)	instalment one	20 January 2015
	b)	instalment two	30 May 2015
Thames Rural	a)	instalment one	20 January 2015
	b)	instalment two	30 May 2015
Coromandel	a)	instalment one	30 January 2015
	b)	instalment two	10 June 2015
Whitianga	a)	instalment one	30 January 2015
	b)	instalment two	10 June 2015

Penalties

That in accordance with sections 57(1), 58(1)(a), and 58(1)(b) of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002, the following penalties on unpaid rates be applied as follows:

- a) instalments – a 10% penalty will be added on the third business day following the due date to so much of that instalment which is not paid; except where a ratepayer has entered into an arrangement by way of a direct debit authority, or an automatic payment authority, and honours that arrangement so that all current year's rates will be paid in full by 30 June in any year, then no penalty will be applied;

Penalty Dates

Penalty (excluding water by volume) will be added on:

- a) instalment one 11 September 2014
 b) instalment two 11 December 2014
 c) instalment three 13 April 2015

Water by volume penalty dates:

- Pauanui a) instalment one 15 December 2014
 b) instalment two 25 May 2015

- Thames Urban a) instalment one 23 January 2015
 b) instalment two 02 June 2015

- Thames Rural a) instalment one 23 January 2015
 b) instalment two 02 June 2015

- Coromandel a) instalment one 04 February 2015
 b) instalment two 15 June 2015

- Whitianga a) instalment one 04 February 2015
 b) instalment two 15 June 2015

and

- b) a further penalty of 10% will be added to rates that remain unpaid from previous years on 3 July 2014.

Moved/Seconded by: Fox/Brljevich

6.2 April 2014 - Financial results for the period ended

Staff provided the Council with cumulative financial information for the year to date to enable it to monitor the financial performance of the organisation.

Resolved

That the Thames Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the April 2014 - Financial results for the period ended report, dated 4 June 2014.
2. Approves the March 2014 Budget revision for the 2013/14 financial year.
3. Resolves, In accordance with section (g) of the financial delegations contained in the

Community Board Delegations policy, to retrospectively approve the use of the Mercury Bay Community Board discretionary fund to finance the construction of footpath improvements on Council roads in the vicinity of Mercury Bay Area School.

Moved/Seconded by: Leach/Fox

6.3 Further information request for refund of financial contributions

Staff provided further information in relation to a request for a refund of financial contributions on a partially completed development at 5 Harbour Lights Lane, Whitianga as requested by the Council at its meeting on 21 May 2014.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the further information request for refund of financial contributions report, dated 23 May 2014.
2. Declines to grant the refund sought.

Moved/Seconded by: Leach/Goudie

6.4 Fees and charges on independent commissioner hearings for development contributions objections

Staff sought approval for fees and charges for costs associated with independent commissioner for hearing to development contributions as set by Council. Objection by developer would be enabled by upcoming legislative changes.

Key discussion points

- Staff noted that with the resignation of MP John Banks it is unknown when the Amendment Bill No.3 will be released.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the fees and charges on independent commissioner hearing for development contributions objections report, dated 26 May 2014.
2. Adopts the fees and charges within the staff report for independent commissioner hearings relating to development contributions for the 2014/15 year, subject to the Government proceeding with the introduction of an independent commission objections process substantially as proposed in the Local Government Act 2002 Amendment Bill No 3 and effective from the date the relevant Act provisions become effective.

Moved/Seconded by: Fox/Connors

6.5 Procedures for development contributions reconsiderations

Staff sought approval for proposed amendments to the Development Contributions Policy in relation to reviews, reconsiderations and objections due to impending changes to the Local Government Act.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the procedures for development contributions reconsiderations report, 4 June 2014.
2. Adopts the amendments to the Council's Development Contributions Policy included in the agenda (minus references to specific sections of the Act) effective from 1 July 2014 or such other time as specified under the Local Government Act 2002 subject to: the Local Government Act 2002 Amendment Act 2014 requiring the inclusion of a reconsideration process in Council development contributions policies substantially as proposed in the Local Government Act 2002 Amendment Bill No 3.

Moved/Seconded by: Fox/Bartley

6.6 Community Board delegations - June 2014 CAPEX OPEX fund

Staff presented Community Board delegations with respect to the annual \$20,000 Discretionary Fund originally established by the Council in August 2012.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the Community Board delegation - June 2014 CAPEX OPEX fund report, dated 30 May 2014.
2. Approves \$20,000 against each Community Board area be retained in the local social development budgets as a discretionary fund.
3. Amends the Community Board delegations to include the following text in regard to the Community Board Discretionary Fund:

Notes for the avoidance of doubt:

- *This expenditure may be operating or capital in nature, or a mixture of the two.*
- *Cannot fund "additional capacity" component of capital projects as this is funded by development and as such can only fund 'renewal' or 'increased level of service components' of capital projects.*
- *Capital projects funded from the discretionary fund will be recorded in the activity to which they relate with associated funding recorded from the Local Consolidated Retained Earnings account.*
- *A combined report will be provided to Council on the last Council meeting of the financial year detailing how each fund was spent. Council will retrospectively approve all capital expenditure in line with this delegation provided it does not exceed \$20,000 per Community Board area per annum.*
- *In line with the balanced budget requirement of the Local Government Act 2002, each Community Board will rate for the \$20,000 per annum discretionary fund under its Local Social Development Activity.*

Moved/Seconded by: Brljevich/Fox

6.7 Agreement for land purchase option - Coromandel Bypass road

Staff sought Council's approval to enter into a conditional agreement to purchase land for the purpose of the Coromandel Bypass Road.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the agreement for land purchase option - Coromandel Bypass road report, dated 3 June 2014.
2. Resolves to enter into an agreement to purchase Lot 70 Deposited Plan 471625, subject to such conditions as set out in the draft agreement for sale and purchase attached to the report.
3. Delegates to the Chief Executive authority to complete all necessary steps to give effect to the purchase agreement as outlined in the report.

Moved/Seconded by: Brijevich/Fox

6.8 Revised schedule of assets for Development Contributions policy

Staff sought approval for a new schedule of assets to be included in the Development Contributions Policy as and when required by new provisions in the Local Government Act 2002.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the revised schedule of assets for development contribution policy report, 10 June 2014.
2. Adopts the revised schedule of assets for inclusion in the Council's Development Contributions Policy subject to the relevant provisions in the Local Government Act 2002 Amendment Bill No. 3 being passed into legislation substantially as proposed in the Local Government Act 2002 Amendment Bill No 3.
3. Also subject to the enactment of the relevant provisions, adds the following paragraph to Section 1.1 of the Development Contributions Policy (Statutory Requirements):

"The Act requires a development contributions policy to include a schedule of assets listing assets or programmes of works for which development contributions are to be required. The schedule of assets can be obtained in electronic format from the Council's website www.tcdc.govt.nz or a hard copy can be obtained from the Thames-Coromandel District Council, 515 Mackay Street, Thames 3500".

Moved/Seconded by: Bartley/Brijevich

7 Support activities

7.1 June 2014 - Council action schedule

Staff provided an update on the Council action schedule.

Resolved

That the Thames Coromandel District Council:1. Receives the June 2014 Council action schedule report, 4 June 2014.

Moved/Seconded by: Brljevich/Fox

7.2 IT report June 2014 for Council Committee

Staff provided a detailed update on the Information Technology (IT) activity at Council.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the IT report, 15 May 2014.

Moved/Seconded By: Leach/Fox

8 Chief Executive

8.1 May 2014 - Chief Executive report

The report included an update of significant projects from the Chief Executive's perspective since the last Council meeting.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the report.

Moved/Seconded by: Leach/Wells

9 Members' reports

9.1 Members' reports

The Chairperson invited members to provide a brief verbal report on activities undertaken and meetings attended in the period since the last meeting.

Key discussion points

- Members noted from the June storm event there was an opportunity for better communication between contractors, civil defence, staff and councillors.
- The Mayor nominated Councillor Connors to liaise with the new owners of Thames Timber regarding the downsizing of the workforce and how Council may be able to assist.
- The Mayor noted the Thames Jockey Club wished to discuss with Council the future of its Parawai land.
- In respect to the Kopu to Kaiua cycleway it was deemed necessary to discuss with NZTA the need to provide a cycleway attachment to the Pipiroa Bridge.
- Mercury Bay staff were commended for going beyond the call of duty in keeping Matarangi property owners advised of the state of their properties as result of the June storm event.
- Council noted with sadness that Reverend John Hovell had passed away. Reverend Hovell was the artist responsible for artworks in the Council Chamber.

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the Members' Reports.

Moved/Seconded by: Connors/Brljevich

10 Public excluded

Resolution to exclude the public

Section 48, Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

Recommendations

That the public:

1. Be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

Item	Business
10.1	Hauraki Treaty Settlement Redress Proposal
10.2	Public Excluded Thames Coromandel District Council Minutes for Confirmation
10.3	Water Services Operations and Maintenance Contracts
10.4	Business Growth Fund 2013/14 applications and scoring
10.5	LATE ITEM - Hauraki Treaty Settlements - Co-governance Arrangements

The general subject of each matter to be considered while the public is excluded, the reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter, and the specific grounds under section 48 (1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 for the passing of this resolution are as follows:

<i>General Subject of Each Matter to be Considered</i>	<i>Reason for Passing this Resolution</i>	<i>Ground(s) Under Section 48(1) for the Passing of the Resolution</i>
Hauraki Treaty Settlement Redress Proposal	(7)(2)(c)(ii) - Protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence or which any person has been or could be compelled to provide under the authority of any enactment, where the making available of the information would be likely otherwise to damage the public interest.	(48)(1) – Subject to subsection (3) of this section, a local authority may by resolution exclude the public from the whole or any part of the proceedings of any meeting only on one or more of the following grounds:
Public Excluded Thames Coromandel District Council Minutes for Confirmation	7(2)(a) – Protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons (7)(2)(g) – Maintain legal professional privilege.	(48)(1)(a) – That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist.
Water Services Operations and Maintenance Contract Extension	(7)(2)(i) – Enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).	(48)(1) – Subject to subsection (3) of this section, a local authority may by resolution exclude the public from the whole or any part of the proceedings of any meeting only on one or more of the following grounds:
Business Growth Fund 2013/14 applications and scoring	7(2)(b)(ii) – Protect information where the making available of the information would be likely unreasonably to prejudice the commercial position of the person who supplied or who is the subject of the information. (7)(2)(j) – Prevent disclosure or use of official information for improper gain or improper advantage. Ground(s) Under Section 48(1) for the Passing of the Resolution	(48)(1)(a)(i) – That the public conduct of the whole or the relevant part of the proceedings of the meeting would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist. Where the local authority is named or specified in the First Schedule to this Act, under section 6 or section 7 (except section 7(2)(f)(i) of this Act.

Moved/Seconded By: Fox/Wells

Resolved

That the public be re-admitted to the meeting and resolutions taken with the public excluded be confirmed in the public session except for the following items which are to remain in the Public Excluded Minute Book.

Item	Description
10.1	Public Excluded - Hauraki Treaty Settlement Redress Proposal
10.2	Public Excluded - Public Excluded - 9 April 2014 & 21 May 2014 - Council Minutes for Confirmation
10.3	Public Excluded - Water Services Operations and Maintenance Contracts
10.4	Public Excluded - 2013-2014 Business Grants Report and Scoring
10.5	LATE ITEM - Hauraki Treaty Settlements - Co-governance Arrangements

Moved/Seconded By: Leach/Goudie

Meeting Closed at 14:43

The foregoing Minutes were certified as being a true and correct record of the meeting of the Thames-Coromandel District Council held on Thursday 26 June 2014.

Chairperson _____ **Date** _____