



**Unconfirmed Minutes**  
of the  
**Coromandel-Colville Community Board**  
**Coromandel Harbour Facilities Users Group**  
**Meeting**

<b>Date</b>	4 December 2014
<b>Time</b>	1.30pm
<b>Venue</b>	Council Meeting Room 355 Kapanga Road Coromandel

## **Members**

<b>Chairperson</b>	K Stephenson
<b>Members</b>	J Bailey D O'Keeffe KS Brett R Pascoe R Ward M Stone

### **In Attendance**

**Name**  
G Hampton - Area Manager  
S Stephens - Programme Manager  
M Harrison – Area Coordinator  
F Pienaar - Project Engineer  
S Crawley - Harbourmaster  
K Brett - Community Board  
J Warren - Community Board

# 1 Meeting Conduct

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## 1.1 Apologies

Apologies were received from members Andrews, Renata and Walker

## 1.2 Confirmation of Minutes

### Resolved

That the Coromandel Harbour Facilities Users Group:

1. Confirms the following Minutes:  
Coromandel Harbour Facilities Users Group Minutes - 25 September 2014

**Moved/Seconded By:** Pascoe/Brett

# 2 Committee Matters

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## 2.1 Harbour Facilities Update

Francois Pienaar, Project Engineer joined the meeting to provide the Coromandel Harbour Facilities Users Group with an update regarding the status and progress of various operational and project related issues on harbour facilities within the Coromandel Harbour.

The following matters were discussed: .

- Recent incident where the ferry turned into one of the boats on a mooring, just not enough room on the western side
- Harbourmaster has been in touch with the mooring owner, doesn't own the vessel currently on the mooring, but will be buying a bigger boat at some stage
- Mooring owner wants to move further north deeper water – not possible at the moment
- Harbourmaster working with owner to find temporary solution
- Mooring inspections will be undertaken in winter 2015
- The problem is that there hasn't been a vessel on that mooring for some time and now there is
- Congestion of users at Hannafords will have to be managed by the users to allow everyone a fair go
- Member O'Keeffe, as president of the Fishing Charter Association will speak to members at their next meeting
- Ferry trying to market the destinations, timeframes are tight for other connecting tours, time delays can mean people may miss their other bookings
- To be reported back at the next meeting
- Two of the bigger fishing charter operators have now brought vans for their customers
- Fishing Charter operators are advising their customers to try and reduce cars

- Does the Fishing Charter Association want Council staff to proceed with looking for a parking area – Member O'Keeffe to take back to the Association and respond – will have a lot more information after Christmas
- Look at installing a barrier or signage to stop parking on both sides of the road on the corner before Hannafords carpark
- Look at some kind of parking demarcation for gravel at the carpark area

### **Parking Bylaw**

- Some members of the Committee consider the parking bylaw restrictions on Te Kouma Road/Sugarloaf area to be too harsh
- CMFA staff parking in the recreational users parks at the Sugarloaf is a continuing issue

### **Health & Safety**

- Health and Safety audits were undertaken on the Wharf, Fureys Creek Boatramp, Sugarloaf and Hannafords Jetty at the end of November
- Council will be requesting Health & Safety Plans to be reviewed by 1 April 2014 from all licensed operators using Council owned harbour facilities - a reminder notice to be sent out in February 2015

### **Fureys Creek**

- Harbour & Boating Assn Lease – improvements need to be made at the hardstand. The Association requested that a concession licence/lease be addressed with some urgency. Staff to work with Council's property department to address this matter

### **Harbour Facilities Project**

- Sugarloaf expansion – in discussions with CMFA
- Attachment B - this is what many of the members of the SWG thought they were working toward
- This concept is estimated at \$6-8m worth of development
- No provision for ferry in this concept
- Still 0.5-.750m depth channel
- Agree that this concept should be included in the business case
- Will have to go through a consent process to get anything happening there
  - Hydrology
  - Containment of the sediment
  - Will require a plan change with WRC
- Could be 2-3 years to get a consent
- Pump out facility will be required

### **Coromandel Wharf**

- Old half-inch water line along the causeway is full of leaks
- Suggest that Ivan Maich, Commercial Fisherman be contacted to discuss these issues on behalf of the jetty owners.
- The water could be disconnected from the jetties and just continue to service the end of the wharf.

**Resolved**

That the Coromandel Harbour Facilities Users Group:

1. Receives the information.

**Moved/Seconded By:** Ward/Pascoe

## 2.2 Members' Reports

The Chairperson invited members to provide a brief verbal report on harbour related matters since the previous meeting.

Ward

- Supports the concept presented at the meeting as Attachment B and suggests it be taken to the Stakeholder Working Group meeting for consideration

Bailey

- Discovery 360's preference is to have an all-tide access into the town

Harbourmaster

- Navigational lights - fairway lights have been installed in the channel to Hannafords Jetty

Brett

- Agrees Attachment B is a practical solution to help relieve the overcrowding of facilities

Stone

- Coastguard do not appear to be using Coromandel Sea Rescue anymore - members are still training to keep the boat in survey. A letter is being sent to the President of Coastguard NZ

O'Keeffe

- Agree that Attachment B is the concept the Charter Association supports
- Raised concern regarding a potential hazard for passengers disembarking vessels on to the pontoon

The Programme Manager advised that the Group should be mindful that the concept presented as Attachment B has issues with regard to costs and ability to afford these improvements. There is very little ability to make cost recovery from this. Costs will need to be met by the users.

Community Board member Brett commented that there is not a lot of room between the nearest mooring and Hannafords Jetty and would be extremely helpful if the Harbourmaster was able to relocate that particular mooring. Member Brett further suggested that a sign be placed at the end of Herds Bay advising that no boat trailers park beyond that point.

**Meeting Closed: 3.05pm**

The foregoing Minutes were certified as being a true and correct record of the meeting of the Coromandel Harbour Facilities Users Group held on 25 September 2014.

**Chairperson** \_\_\_\_\_ **Date** \_\_\_\_\_