



# Minutes

of the

## Mercury Bay Community Board

### Ordinary Meeting

Date 29 September 2015  
Venue Mercury Bay Community Board Room  
10 Monk Street  
Whitianga

#### Present

MP Kelly JP (Chairperson)	DJ Connell	LA Fox
	WD McLean	PW Hopkins
	MK McLean JP	

#### In Attendance

Name	Item(s)
Sam Marshall (Area Manager Mercury Bay)	All Items
Kirstin Richmond (Community Co-ordinator Mercury Bay)	All Items
Allan Tiplady (Programme Manager)	All Items
Angela Jane (Governance Manager)	All Items
Andrew Mehrtens (Senior Media and Publications Advisor)	All Items

**Meeting Commenced** 13:00

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# 1 Meeting Conduct

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## 1.1 Apologies

Mayor Glenn Leach  
Deputy Mayor Peter French  
David Hammond - Chief Executive.

## 1.2 Public Forum

A period of up to 30 minutes is set aside for the public to raise matters falling within the terms of reference of the meeting. Each speaker may speak for three minutes but time extensions may be allowed on a vote of not less than 75% of members present at the meeting. Questions from members for information or clarification may be permitted by the Chairperson (Standing Orders Appendix F).

### **Andrew Mehrtens - TCDC**

Andrew shared a Television Commercial he had made in relation to the upcoming Shake Out.

### **Dianne Bell - Cathedral Cove Shuttles**

Mrs Bell tabled a letter outlining her concerns in relation to the Summer Shuttle operating over the 2015-2016 summer period.

### **Trevor Knight - Hot Water Beach Resident**

Mr Knight advised that the Ratepayers do not think the parking price increase should go ahead. They have concerns with visitors parking on the hill at Hot Water Beach and would like to see this area have yellow lines installed and for this to be monitored. Residents would like the option to have an exemption pass instead of sticker for them to be able to use alternative family vehicles. The residents would not like to see the toilets shifted, they are happy with the footprint provided.

### **Karen Blair - Reserves Group Hahei**

Ms Blair was wanting support from the Community Board in relation to installing a memorial garden in Kotare Reserve, querying what consents are required and advised that a plaque would either be attached to a wall or on a path in the garden. It would become a place to go and reflect. Community Board offered support, staff will work with the Reserves Group on this project.

### **Chris Morcom - Flaxmill Bay Erosion Group**

Mr Morcom provided an overview of erosion at Flaxmill Bay, the group requested an on site meeting with staff and Community Board and advised that they have been monitoring the wave movement and observing the problem area which has moved slightly. Staff will be in contact to arrange suitable meeting time.

### **John North - Hahei Stakeholders Group**

Mr North advised he believes there to be no synergy between the Park and Ride and the Summer Shuttle service. Mr North is concerned that the Summer Shuttle service cuts out two commercial operators and would like to see the number of days the service is provided reduced to 32 with a fare increase and the Park and Ride increased from 33 - 36.

**Allan Hopping - Lost Springs**

Mr Hopping expressed his desire to care for the Community. Mr Hopping has concerns for the youth in town and would like to introduce a Kapa Haka group to Mercury Bay. He believes the youth in Whitianga need to feel that they are ambassadors for the town.

**Pauline Brown - Whitianga Lions**

Mrs Brown expressed her concerns for the lack of response from TCDC in relation to a letter she had written. Chair Paul Kelly apologised to Mrs Brown, it was overlooked when he was away from the area due to illness. Mrs Brown outlined the Whitianga Lions idea of installing a lighthouse onto TCDC reserve land in Joan Gaskell Drive, the Lions are currently working with staff on this project.

**Resolved**

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Receives the speakers in public forum.

**Moved/Seconded By:** Fox/Connell

### 1.3 Items not on the Agenda

**Resolved**

That:

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

**Item Description**

Item no. 2.4 from August 2015 Meeting - Whitianga Community Services Trust

**Reason Not on the Agenda**

Report remained on table at past meeting pending a meeting with Community Board, Staff and the Community Services Trust

**Moved/Seconded By:** BMcLean/McLean

### 1.4 Conflict of Interest

No Conflicts of Interest were declared

## 1.5 Mercury Bay Community Board 11 August 2015 Minutes for Confirmation

As per Council's Standing Orders, the Mercury Bay Community Board must confirm the Minutes of its previous meeting.

### Resolved

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Receives the report.
2. Confirms the following Minutes:  
Mercury Bay Community Board - 11 August 2015

Moved/Seconded By: BMcLean/McLean

## 1.6 September 2015 - Mercury Bay Community Board Work Programme

To provide an update to the Community Board on their 2015/2016 Work Programme.

### Discussion

Iiti lane outlet improvements - Allan advised that staff in the infrastructure team are currently reviewing this - staff to report back to Community Board.

Paul Hopkins queried whether the stormwater drain into Flaxmill Bay could be relocated. Steve Bremner advised this hasn't been considered but he will look into this and report back.

### Resolved

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Receives the 'Mercury Bay Community Board 2015/2016 Work Programme - September Update' report, dated 30 September 2015.

Moved/Seconded By: Connell/BMcLean

## 2 Governance

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### 2.1 Hot Water Beach Carparking Report

To provide options to the Mercury Bay Community Board (the Board) regarding fees for paid parking at Hot Water Beach.

#### Discussion

Deli Connell raised query of exemption permits being allocated to all rate payers in Mercury Bay.

Paul Hopkins agrees that Mercury Bay South should have exemptions - Paul would not like to see a variation on parking fees.

Bull Paddock parking exemptions will be allocated to all junior surf families.

#### Resolved

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Receives the 'Hot Water Beach Car Parking Fees' report, dated 11 September 2015.
2. Determines that exemptions from the Hot Water Beach paid parking system for residents and property owners within the area bounded by Hot Water Beach Road, Link Road, Boat Harbour Road and the Roby property is confirmed as a permanent component of the Hot Water Beach paid parking system.
3. Determines that paid parking exemptions will be granted based on proof of address being provided to the Thames Coromandel District Council.
4. Determines that it applies the paid parking fees of \$4 per hour and \$25 per day as contained within the 2015/25 Thames Coromandel District Council Long Term Plan to the Hot Water Beach Shop car parks and approves introduction of charging for te Taiwawe (Bull Paddock) carpark at \$2 per hour and \$15 per day subject to Council approval.
5. Recommends that in the next opportunity for review of the Thames Coromandel District Council Parking Bylaw that a one our parking time limit be introduced on all public parking areas adjacent to the Hot Water Beach Shop and Taiwawe paid car parking areas, excluding the car parks directly adjacent to the Hot Water Beach Store which are to remain limited to 20 minutes of parking duration.
6. Junior Surf families will be issued an exemption permit for Taiwawe (Bull Paddock) car parking.

**Moved/Seconded By:** McLean/BMcLean

## 2.2 Report to Community Board re minor works programme

To submit the final Parks and Reserves 2015/16 Works Programme to the Community Board for approval.

### Resolved

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Receives the report.
2. Approves the 2015/16 Parks and Reserves Works Programme as attached to the report submitted to the Board Meeting on 22 September 2015.

**Moved/Seconded By:** Connell/BMcLean

## 2.3 Report to Community Board re Lions Club Lighthouse Proposal

To consider a proposal from the Whitianga Lions Club to restore the Whakapenui Beacon on a site at the corner of Kupe Drive and Joan Gaskell Drive.

### Discussion

Allan Tiplady advised that there is no consent required.

### Resolved

That the Mercury bay Community Board:

1. Consider the proposal to restore the Whakapenui Beacon and a location in a public place in Whitianga by the Lions Club to commemorate its 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary.
2. Approved the location of the Lighthouse to be on Reserve Land at 80 Joan Gaskell Drive, Whitianga.

**Moved/Seconded By:** McLean/Hopkins

## 2.4 Report - 2015-2016 Park and Ride Shuttle

To review and decide on the level of service to be provided for the 2015/16 summer season for the Hahei to Cathedral Cove Park and Ride service and the Ferry Landing to Hot Water Beach Shuttle Bus Service.

### Resolved

That the **Mercury Bay Community Board:**

1. Receives the 'Park and Ride and Shuttle Bus Service 2015/16' report, dated 29 September 2015.

2. Approves the following arrangements for the delivery of the Ferry Landing to Hot Water Beach Shuttle Bus and Hahei Park and Ride services for the 2015/16 summer period.
  - a) That the service be provided for a 39 day period from 27 December to 1 February plus Waitangi weekend.
  - b) That no change be made to the hours of operation for the Park and ride services for the 2015/16 summer with the hours for both to be from 10:00am to 6:00pm each day.
  - c) That the fares for 2015/16 be:  
Hahei Park and Ride return fare only:
    - Adults \$5
    - Children \$3
    - Family \$10
3. That the Programme Manager and Community Board members Bill McLean and Murray McLean be authorised to take all actions necessary to implement the services for the 2015/16 summer.
4. That a report be prepared for consideration at the November meeting of the Community Board on the long term future provision of bus services.

**Moved/Seconded By:** Kelly/BMcLean

## 2.5 Intersection Light - Gray Avenue, Kuaotunu

To seek a decision from the Mercury Bay Community Board regarding the lighting of the Gray Avenue/Bluff Road intersection in Kuaotunu.

### Resolved

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Receives the 'Intersection Light - Gray Avenue, Kuaotunu' report, dated 7 September 2015.
2. Recommends that the Report remains on the table until
  - a) further discussions to be had with TCDC staff and the Community.
3. The Community Board delegates Bill McLean and Murray McLean to oversee this item with staff.

**Moved/Seconded By:** BMcLean/McLean



## 2.6 Approval of road names for Longreach Developments, Cooks Beach

To consider an application for naming of roads for the new subdivision at Cooks Beach within the Mercury Bay known as Longreach Developments.

### Resolved

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Receives the 'Approval of road names for Longreach Developments, Cooks Beach' report, dated 13 August 2015.
2. Approves all the applicants preferred road name options

**Moved/Seconded By:** Fox/Kelly

## 2.7 Trust Deed Change

To review the purpose of the Mercury Bay Recreation Trust and its future role.

### Resolved

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Receives the 'Mercury Bay Recreation Trust Deed Change' report, dated 22 September 2015.
2. Considers whether to approve in principle the following proposals in relation to the future of the Mercury Bay Recreation Trust.
  - a. The objects of the Trust be amended to focus solely on the raising of funds from external sources for the delivery of services and facilities at the Mercury Bay Multi Sports Park.
  - b. The membership of the Trust to include two members of the Mercury Bay Community Board, in an advisory capacity - to be selected for their skills in identifying and pursuing funding opportunities and with sporting links to ensure communication and input from the perspective of the users.
3. Further consider how the users of the Multi Sports Park are engaged in the development of strategy, plans and their implementation.
4. Obtain legal advice on the appropriate process to follow to implement the principles approved under 2 above.
5. Initiate consultation and discussion with the Mercury Bay Recreation Trust on the proposed changes to the role of the Trust.
6. Acknowledge that any change to the Trust Deed is the sole responsibility of the Trustees which requires a resolution of the Trust carried by a majority of two thirds of the number of Trustees.

**Moved/Seconded By:** Fox/Connell

## 2.8 2015-2016 Community Grants Report

The Community Board to consider and decide the allocation of the \$60,000.00 Community Grant funding, included in the 2015/2016 Annual Plan, to organisations who have applied for funding assistance through the 2015-2016 Community Grant round

Beach Hop Whangamata Rock 'n' Roll Festival Inc	Inaugural Day out in Whitianga - Rock n Roll Band and marketing	\$5,000
A Taste of Matarangi	Annual Charitable Community Festival	\$2,000
Mercury Bay Art Escape	Open Studio Tour Mercury Bay region	\$2,500
Matarangi Ratepayers Association Inc	Matarangi Annual Summer Carnival	\$2,080
Mercury Bay Events Trust - Big Little Circus	Big Little Circus FREE entertainment for the communities children	\$1,200
Mercury Bay Events Trust - Fireworks Display	Family Fireworks Display - If all other funds raised	\$2,000
Mercury Bay Events Trust - Santa Parade	Annual Santa Parade	\$3,000
Mercury Bay Events Trust - Rally Street Party	Rally Street Party - Entertainment	\$1,500
Whitianga Community Services Trust	Funding to assist keeping youth space doors open	\$2,000
St Andrews Community Church (Mercury Bay Co-operating Parish)	To assist with Lighting Upgrade	\$1,500
Mercury Bay Community Swimming Pool Trust	Installation of swimming pool covers and reel system	\$1,500
Whitianga Bike Club Inc	Contribution to the Whitianga Bike Park maintenance	\$1,000
Project Kiwi Trust	To expand the parameters of its trapping area.	\$1,000
Mercury Bay Gymnastics Club	Professional development Coaching Sessions	\$900
Mercury Bay Community Support Trust. (Day Camp Project)	To Assist with the "Day camp" programme.	\$2,000
Kuaotunu environment Action (Inc)	Quad bike Maintenance and trapping lines	\$1,230
Creative Mercury Bay Trust ( CMB)	Annual web hosting fee for Creative Mercury Bay	\$966
Mercury Bay Netball Centre	Concrete Pad materials Only Courtside shelter	\$1,700
Mercury Bay Museum	Lockable security Glass cases for artefacts display	\$1,800
Kuaotunu Hall	Restoration of the 1891 historic KFC banner	\$1,200
Mercury Bay Amateur Swimming Club Inc	To purchase a Competition Pace Clock.	\$1,035
The Parenting Place - Attitude Youth Division	Presentation to MBAS and Handbooks	\$600
Mercury Bay Speedway Club inc	Repairs to water truck and cost of first aid supplies and fire extinguishers.	\$5,000
Mercury Bay Community Choir	To assist with Venue hire, Music and sund costs	\$1,000

Coromandel Independent Living trust ( Artists in the making programme)	New laptop for participants and staff	\$999
International Day of the older Persons Committee (Whitianga Community Services Trust)	To assist in costs for Small expo showcasing assistance available to the Seniors in our community	\$300
Surf lifesaving New Zealand - Eastern Region	Regional Life Saving patrols -Fringe Week tidal service at Hot Water beach.	\$4,500
Coromandel Film Collective	Funding to support the production of a film on Kauri of Coromandel.	\$2,000

**Resolved**

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Receives the report.
2. Confirms the allocation of community grant funding from the 2015/2016 Community Grant budget to organisations who have applied for financial assistance as below:

**Moved/Seconded By:** Fox/Connell

## **3 District Activities**

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### **3.1 2016-2017 Annual Plan - legislative changes and approach - report to September 2015 Mercury Bay Community Board meeting**

To communicate to the Community Boards the intended approach in developing the 2016-2017 Annual Plan and to advise Community Boards on the effects of the amendments to the governing legislation on the required content and processes.

#### **Discussion**

Councillor Fox advised a key issue is that there is not enough time put aside for concentrated effort to get to an end point. Planning is needed, schedule in spare days for workshops and Council decision making. More effort to be made up front from the elected members.

Staff advised that there will be a code of conduct review at next Council meeting. There will be a review of this at the November elected members briefing on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November 2015.

#### **Resolved**

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Receives the '2016-2017 Annual Plan - legislative changes and approach' report, dated 9 September 2016.
2. Communicate to their Area Manager any changes to the 2015-2025 Long Term Plan year two budget in preparation for reviewing the 2016-2017 Annual Plan budget.

**Moved/Seconded By:** Connell/Hopkins

## **4 Reports**

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### **4.1 Quarterly Rooding Update report to the Mercury Bay Community Board**

To update the Community Board on progress of key rooding activities for the first quarter of 2015/16.

#### **Discussion**

Chair Paul Kelly queried works on Black Jack Road, Steve Bremner TCDC Rooding Engineer advised that this was traction seal. The 309 Road will be having a dust seal, approximately 1 km. The dust seal policy allocates priority to kindergartens etc.

A request from the Community Board is to paint yellow lines on the hill at Hot Water Beach, Steve Bremner will follow this request up with the Roading Manager and advise back to the Board.

### **Resolved**

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Receives the 'Quarterly Roading Update' report dated 31 August 2015.

**Moved/Seconded By:** Kelly/McLean

## **4.2 WRC - Consent 5 - 2015-2016 Proposed Works Programme**

To review and provide comment on the Waikato Regional Council Proposed Annual Works Programme 2015/2016 Coromandel Area 5 Consent for the Tairua/Pauanui area.

### **Resolved**

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Receives the 'Mercury Bay Community Board Order Paper Master (Minutes)' report, dated 3 September 2015.
2. Reviews the Mercury Bay Community Board Order Paper Master (Minutes) for the Mercury Bay area and provides comments as it sees fit.

**Moved/Seconded By:** Connell/Hopkins

## **4.3 Members' Reports**

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

Written reports and Minutes of meetings attended are presented below.

### **Deli Connell**

Deli is currently working on the Youth Crime processes and will be attending a meeting in October to kick start this project into the community. Deli will be attending the youth forum hui in Whangamata in October regarding youth council.

### **Tony Fox**

Councillor Fox has raised concern on a drug issue in Whitianga, he would like an invite sent to Andrew Morrison asking him to attend the next public forum of the Community Board meeting in November. Councillor Fox would like updates to the Community Board at the next meeting regarding the Museum Lease, Aero Club, Speedway, Marina Society, Library. A letter was tabled from Louise Fellini regarding a pedestrian crossing at Continuing Care. Councillor Fox is also involved

with the Mercury 250 Trust. He believes this event will be the biggest event the town has ever seen and he would like a dedicated person for this project. Coast Erosion, Liquor Bans and Mike Harvards water are also waiting for updates. Councillor Fox would like to see all future leases to understand terms and conditions. Councillor Fox advised that communication is how we talk amongst ourselves, not what is sent to media outlets. An update on the Scouts Den is also required.

**Bill McLean**

Bill is pleased to see the trust deed taking a step in the right direction. Bill has advised he has been in contact with Scouts and advised them to contact staff and Speedway Club.

**Recommendation**

That the Mercury Bay Community Board:

1. Receives the Members' Reports.

**Moved/Seconded By:** Connell/Hopkins

## 5 Public Excluded

### Resolved

That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting for the reasons stated:

<i>General Subject of each matter to be considered</i>	<i>Reason for passing this Resolution in Relation to Each Matter</i>	<i>Ground(s) Under Section 48(1) for the Passing of the Resolution</i>
11 August 2015 - Public Excluded - Mercury Bay Community Board minutes for confirmation	<b>(7)(2)(i)</b> – Enable any local authority holding the information to carry on, without prejudice or disadvantage, negotiations (including commercial and industrial negotiations).	<b>(48)(1)(a)(i)</b> – 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:** Connell/Hopkins

### 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.

<b>Item</b>	<b>Description</b>
5.1	<b>Public Excluded Mercury Bay Community Board Minutes</b>

**Moved/Seconded By:** Connell/Fox

**Meeting Closed at 17:00**

The foregoing Minutes were certified as being a true and correct record of the meeting of the Mercury Bay Community Board held on 29 September 2015.

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