



Minutes

of the

Thames-Coromandel District Council

Ordinary Meeting

Date	24 January 2017
Venue	Council Chamber 515 Mackay Street Thames

Present

SA Goudie (Mayor)

HD Bartley
SL Christie
MK McLean JP
GR Simpson

PA Brljevich
LA Fox
S Peters
TM Walker

In attendance

Name

Community Board and Committee Chairs

Ken Coulam, Peter Pritchard, Paul Kelly, Bob Renton.

Staff

Rob Williams, Angela Jane, Ariana Wickliffe, Scott Summerfield, Greg Hampton, Ben Day, Sam Napia, Paul Davies.

Meeting commenced	11:00am
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1 Meeting conduct

1.1 Apologies

1/17
CL

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council receives the apology from Board Chair Connors for the 24 January 2017 Council meeting.

Moved/seconded by: Goudie/Fox

1.2 Public forum

There were no speakers in the public forum.

1.3 Items not on the agenda

No further items were added to the agenda.

1.4 Conflict of interest

Councillor Fox declared a conflict of interest in item 4.2 Proposed District Plan Decision Version - Natural Character and Coastal Environment Appeals.

1.5 Minutes for confirmation

Councillor McLean noted that Scott Simpson would also like to attend any briefings that Council hold with New Zealand Transport Agency. He requested that a briefing be arranged urgently.

2/17
CL

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council confirms the minutes of the Thames-Coromandel District Council meeting held on 13 December 2016 as a correct record of proceedings.

Moved/seconded by: Fox/Walker

2 Governance, Planning and Strategy

2.1 Submission on Rate Rebate (Retirement Village Residents) Amendment Bill

Council was asked to approve the proposed submission on the Rates Rebate (Retirement Village Residents) Amendment Bill.

3/17 Resolved

CL That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the 'Submission on Rates Rebate (Retirement Village Residents) Amendment Bill' report, dated 23 December 2016.
2. Approves the proposed submission on the Rates Rebate (Retirement Village Residents) Amendment Bill, included as Attachment A, to be sent on behalf of Council.

Moved/seconded by: McLean/ Peters

2.2 Hauraki Gulf Forum - Governance review

Councillors were provided an opportunity to give their input to the Mayor on the governance review of the Hauraki Gulf Forum.

4/17 Resolved

CL That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the 'Hauraki Gulf Report - Governance review' report, dated 11 January 2016.
2. Does not support governance changes for the Hauraki Gulf Forum, and the consequent actions required to support those changes.
3. Supports the Hauraki Gulf Marine Spatial Plan, called Seachange, to be used as an information tool only to inform the strategic action functions of the Forum going forward and that any moves to change its status as a statutory document triggers a full resource management consultative process.

Moved/seconded by: Goudie/Fox

3 Projects

3.1 Hauraki Rail Trail Funding

Council was asked to approve the approach proposed for the three councils' collective funding of the Hauraki Rail Trail.

5/17 Resolved

CL That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the 'Hauraki Rail Trail Funding' report, dated 6 January 2016.
2. Endorses Option Three - the equal apportionment for strategic and overhead costs, plus proportionate costs based on length of Hauraki Rail Trail in the District Council area.
3. Agrees to the following seven principles to underpin the funding of the Hauraki Rail Trail as follows:
 1. That the Hauraki Rail Trail is recognised by the settlor councils (Hauraki District, Thames-Coromandel District and Matamata-Piako District councils) as shared local infrastructure, and one activity across the three Council boundaries, based on the Hauraki Rail Trail boundary being Kaiaua and Thames to the north, Waihi to the east and Matamata to the south (i.e. the current Trail, Kopu to Kaiaua and the proposed Te Aroha to Matamata trail).

2. That the settlor councils and the Hauraki Rail Trail Charitable Trust recognise that the Hauraki Rail Trail as a whole delivers shared benefits to the Hauraki, Thames-Coromandel and Matamata-Piako communities.
3. That the Hauraki Rail Trail must be managed, developed and maintained in a prudent and cost effective manner and to a standard required for it to be included in the New Zealand Cycle Trails Nga Haerenga national cycleway network.
4. That as the settlor councils support the Hauraki Rail Trail Charitable Trust as an appropriate governance model for the Hauraki Rail Trail and as such, if the Trust is unable to generate sufficient income to meet its management and operational obligations, the settlor councils agree to reasonably contribute to the fixed underwriting costs associated with the Trust being a going concern.
5. That strategic and overhead costs associated with operating the Hauraki Rail Trail funded by the settlor councils are apportioned equally amongst the three councils in recognition of the co-development and benefit approach between the three councils and support of the Trust model.
6. That other proportionate costs associated with operating the Hauraki Rail Trail funded by the settlor councils are apportioned, where possible, based on the length of Trail within each district council boundary.
7. That above the strategic, overhead and proportionate costs, each settlor council will, where possible, contribute to and facilitate the enhancement and promotion of the Trail for their local areas (i.e. the local urban area defined as within the 70km speed zone) for example, car parking, signage, drinking fountains.

Moved/seconded by: Goudie/Simpson

4 Members' report

Councillor Christie further supported Councillor McLean's request for a meeting with NZTA.

Councillor Fox queried if a legal assessment for Bluff Road had been completed and requested a formal report be brought back to Council. The Chief Executive noted he would follow-up on the request.

Councillor McLean noted the excellent work contractors Streetsmart Limited achieved during the peak period.

Councillor Bartley noted concerns with the level of policing at the Williamson Park New Year's celebration. Mayor Goudie noted that she would send information from Police on the level of policing to the Whangamata elected members

Councillor Simpson noted he was encouraged by the prompt response to fire break outs within the district throughout the peak period.

Councillor Peters suggested that a few key challenges that need to be addressed as part of the long term plan included the need for social housing and water demand strategies.

6/17 **Resolved**
 CL That the Thames-Coromandel District Council receives the Members' reports.

Moved/seconded by: Goudie/Simpson

5 Public excluded

7/16 **Resolved**
 CL That the public be excluded from the following parts of the proceedings of this meeting namely:

<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>
5.1 Public excluded 13 December Council minutes for confirmation -	(7)(2)(g) – Maintain legal professional privilege. 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)(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.
5.2 Proposed District Plan Decisions Version - Natural Character and Coastal Environment Appeals	(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.

Moved/seconded by: McLean/Bartley

12/17 **Resolved**
 CL 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 which are to remain in the public excluded minute book.

Item	Description
4.1	Public excluded 13 December Council minutes for confirmation -
4.2	Proposed District Plan Decisions Version - Natural Character and Coastal Environment Appeals

Moved/seconded by: Goudie/Fox

Meeting closed at 12:55pm

The foregoing minutes were certified as being a true and correct record of the meeting of the Thames-Coromandel District Council held on 24 January 2017.

Chairperson _____ **Date** _____