



Minutes

of the

Thames-Coromandel District Council

Ordinary Meeting

Date
Venue

31 January 2018
Mercury Bay Community Board Room
10 Monk Street
Whitianga

Present

SA Goudie (Mayor)

HD Bartley
SL Christie
S Peters
TM Walker

PA Brljevich
LA Fox
GR Simpson

In attendance

Name

Community Board Chairs

Dianne Connors, Ken Coulam, Paul Kelly, Peter Pritchard and Bob Renton.

Staff

Rob Williams, Angela Jane, Ariana Wickliffe, Scott Summerfield, Karl Dudley, Barry Smedts, Bruce Hinson, Donna Holland, Erin Clarke, Allan Tiplady.

Meeting commenced

9:06am

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1 Meeting conduct

1.1 Apologies

Deputy Mayor Brljevich chaired the meeting in the Mayor's absence.

1/18
CL

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives apologies for lateness from Board Chair Kelly, Councillor Fox, Chief Executive Rob Williams, and Mayor Goudie.
2. Receives the apology from Councillor McLean.

Moved/seconded by: Brljevich/Fox

1.2 Public forum

There were no speakers in the public forum.

Councillor Peters arrived at 9.08 am.

1.3 Items not on the agenda

2/18
CL

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council accepts that the following matters requiring urgent attention to be added to the agenda:

Item	Description
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2.9	Late item - 2018-2028 Long Term Plan Activity Structure.
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Reason not on the agenda

The report was not available prior to the Order Paper being distributed.

Reason cannot be delayed

The activity structure was needed to finalise LTP matters before the audit started on 12 February.

Item	Description
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3.1	Public excluded minutes - 21 November 2017 - Coromandel-Colville Community Board minutes.
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Reason not on the agenda

The report was accidentally omitted from the December Council agenda.

Reason cannot be delayed

Content of the minutes needs finalising for a business transaction to be completed.

Moved/seconded by: Simpson/Christie

1.4 Conflict of interest

No conflict of interests were declared.

1.5 Minutes for receiving and confirmation

3/18
CL

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council confirms the minutes for the Thames-Coromandel District Council meeting held on the 12 December 2017 as a correct record of proceedings.

Moved/seconded by: Christie/Simpson

2 Governance, Planning and Strategy

Items 2.1, 2.2 and 2.4 were considered with the Mayor in attendance.

2.1 Support for increased pest trapping in the Coromandel

Council was asked to form a position of advocating to the Minister of Conservation that, where possible, animal pest control be undertaken by trapping, hunting and ground-based use of non-residual poisons.

4/18
CL

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council

1. Receives the 'Support for increased pest trapping in the Coromandel' report, dated xx January 2018.
2. Notes the petitions and documents provided by Wendy Pond and Stephanie McKee on 12 December 2017 and the tabled item from them on 31 January 2018.
3. Council Reaffirms the Council resolution on pest control from 2009:
4. "Agrees to advocate to the Minister of Conversation that where possible animal pest control in the Thames-Coromandel District be undertaken by trapping, hunting and non-residual poisons".
5. Instructs staff to seek a copy of the reports from Worksafe and Ministry of Health on the storage of 1080 in Whitianga.

Moved/seconded by: Brljevich/Bartley

2.2 Thames-Coromandel District Council and Hauraki District Council Mangrove Management Bill - Council submission to the Parliamentary Governance and Administration Committee

Council was asked to approve the draft submission to the Parliamentary Governance and Administration Committee in regards to the Thames-Coromandel District Council and Hauraki District Council Mangrove Management Bill (the Bill).

5/18
CL

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the 'Thames-Coromandel District Council and Hauraki District Council
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Mangrove Management Bill - Council submission to the Parliamentary Governance and Administration Committee' report, dated 11 December 2018.

2. Approves the tabled submission provided by the Mayor to the Parliamentary Governance and Administration Committee in regard to the Thames-Coromandel District Council and Hauraki District Council Mangrove Management Bill and provides the Mayor with the delegation to finalise the wording following feedback from the Hauraki District Council;
3. Directs the Chief Executive to lodge two copies of the final submission with the Select Committee's Secretariat before the close of the submission period on 23 February 2018.

Moved/seconded by: Bartley/Walker

Councillor Christie and Councillor Peters voted against the motion.

2.3 Change to designated freedom camping site in Ferry Landing

Council was asked to approve an amendment the designated site for freedom camping in Ferry Landing in order to improve public access to the ferry service.

6/18

CL

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council

1. Receives the 'Change to designated freedom camping site in Ferry Landing' report, dated 8 January 2018.
2. Approves the proposal to relocate the designated freedom camping area in the restricted area of Flaxmill Bay, Ferry Landing and Front Bay from the Ferry Landing carpark to the carpark of the Ferry Landing cemetery as shown in **Attachment A** to the report, effective from 16 February 2018.

Moved/seconded by: Brljevich/Simpson

2.4 Adoption of Māori contribution to Council decision making policy

Council was asked to adopt the Maori Contribution to Council Decision Making Policy for inclusion into the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan. Council requested some changes to the policy statements.

7/18

CL

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council

1. Receives the 'Adoption of Māori contribution to Council decision making policy' report.
2. Adopts the Māori Contribution to Council Decision Making Policy included as **Attachment A** to the report with the following amendments to the policy statement section:
 2. remove word "targeted" to read "those who have identified themselves as Maori will be specifically consulted when the Council decides that it wishes to consult"
 3. changed to: "the Council will work with Maori to identify key issues of particular interest to Maori" instead of "the Council will identify key issues of particular interest to Maori"
 5. "Council will consciously build good relationships with all groups of Maori in the district" instead of "the Council will consciously build on the good quality relationships that have already been established".

Moved/seconded by: Fox/Christie

2.5 Adoption of Rates Postponement Policy and Postponement and Remission of Rates on Māori Freehold Land Policy

Council was asked to approve the Rates Postponement Policy and Postponement and Remission of Rates on Maori Freehold Land Policy. Staff tabled an amendment to the Rates Postponement Policy with the removal of the postponement consortium and group insurance policy wording.

8/18
CL

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the 'Adoption of Rates Postponement Policy and Postponement and Remission of Rates on Māori Freehold Land Policy' report, dated 10 January 2018.
2. Adopts the Rates Postponement Policy included as **Attachment A** to the report with the following amendment to take effect on 1 July 2018.

Removal of the following text under the Insurance heading:

To assist ratepayers who are currently uninsured, the Council is arranging for the development of a group insurance policy to provide all risks cover, with an excess of \$2,500. This will achieve cover against catastrophic loss at minimum cost. The premium will be treated as part of the postponement fee and thus come within the postponement arrangements. The Rates Postponement Consortium, of which Council is a member, is still in the process of progressing this proposal. As such, at this stage this proposal is not an available option.

3. Adopts the Postponement and Remissions of Rates on Māori Freehold Land Policy included as **Attachment B** to the report to take effect on 1 July 2018.

Moved/seconded by: Christie/Peters

The Chief Executive arrived at 9.30am.

2.6 Revised climate change assumption for 2018-2028 Long Term Plan

Council was asked to approve the revised climate change assumption based on updated guidance from the Ministry for The Environment to be adopted as a part of the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan.

9/18
CL

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the 'Revised climate change assumption for the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan' report dated 10 January 2018.
2. Approves the revised climate change forecasting assumption in **Attachment A** to the report as the basis for the development of the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan.

Moved/seconded by: Christie/Simpson

The Mayor and Councillor Fox arrived at 9.40am.

2.7 Establishment of targeted roading rates

Council was asked to approve the establishment of new targeted roading rates to pay for all district and local roading footpaths activity costs.

10/18
CL

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the 'Establishment of targeted roading rates' report, dated 10 January 2018.
2. Approves the proposed targeted roading rates as per section 16 of the Local Government (Rating) Act 2002 to be included in the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan consultation document.

Moved/seconded by: Simpson/Peters

2.8 Investment and Liability Management policies

Council was asked to approve Investment and Liability Management policies for Council consideration and adoption. Staff noted that 7.1.5 postponed rates would be removed to align with the Rates Postponement policy changes.

11/18
CL

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the 'Investment and Liability Management policies' report, dated 23 January 2018.
2. Adopts the updated Investment Policy as included in Attachment A to the report with the amendment below and the updated Liability Management Policy as included in Attachment B to the report with the amendment below to take immediate effect.

Investment Policy amendment - delete the following sentence under 7.1.5 Postponed rates

The Council is a member of a consortium of Councils that offers postponement of rates to ratepayers aged 65 years and over.

Liability Management Policy amendment - delete the following sentence under 7.2 Total external core debt

The Council is a member of a consortium of councils that offers postponement of rates to ratepayers aged 65 years and over.

Moved/seconded by: Walker/Peters

2.9 2018-2028 Long Term Plan Activity Structure

Council was asked to approve the revised 2018-2028 Long Term Plan activity structure which removed the District Plan activity from the Planning and Regulation activity and absorbed it into the Council activity.

12/18
CL

Resolved

That the Thames-Coromandel District Council:

1. Receives the '2018-2028 Long Term Plan Activity Structure' report, dated 25 January 2018.
2. Approves the following revised activity structure for the 2018-2028 Long Term Plan:

Activity Group	Activity
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Roads and Footpaths	Roads and Footpaths
Stormwater	Stormwater
Wastewater	Wastewater
Water Supply	Water Supply
Rubbish and Recycling	Rubbish and Recycling
Council	Representation
	Grants and Remissions
	Property
	Economic Development
	District Plan
Planning and Regulation	Resource Consents
	Building Control
Protection of People and the Environment	Emergency Management
	Coastal and Hazard Management
	Community Health and Safety
Community Spaces and Development	Thames
	Coromandel-Colville
	Mercury Bay
	Whangamata
	Tairua-Pauanui

Moved/seconded by: Walker/Peters

3 Public excluded

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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>
3.1 Public excluded minutes for receiving and confirmation	<p>(7)(2)(h) – Enable any local authority holding the information to carry out, without prejudice or disadvantage, commercial activities.</p> <p>(7)(2)(c)(i) – 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 to prejudice the supply of similar information, or information from the same source, and it is in the public</p>	<p>(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.</p>

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	interest that such information should continue to be supplied.	

Moved/seconded by: Goudie/Christie

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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 public excluded minute book.

Item Business**3.1 Public excluded minutes for receiving and confirmation****Moved/seconded by:** Goudie/Simpson**Meeting closed at 10.29am**

The foregoing minutes were certified as being a true and correct record of the meeting of the Thames-Coromandel District Council held on 31 January 2018.

Chairperson _____ **Date** _____