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Thames

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We are proposing to move the funding of \$46.6M of debt on the Eastern Seaboard plants to be paid by rates rather than development. This is because some areas are growing slowly which means this debt would not be repaid until after the plant has been retired and latest capacity information shows much of the capacity of the plants is being used today.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 15 of the Consultation Document .

Do you agree with our proposal to move the funding of debt on the Eastern Seaboard wastewater plants from development to rates?

Yes, I agree

Stormwater is currently an activity which is paid for by ratepayers within each community board area. We are proposing that this should be funded at a district level as one of our essential services.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 19 of the Consultation Document .

Do you agree with our proposal that we move stormwater from being locally funded to district-wide funding?

Yes, I agree that stormwater should be funded district-wide.

Public toilets are currently paid for by a district wide rate. We are proposing that these facilities should be paid for by ratepayers within each of the local community board areas as they are a local service.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 20 of the Consultation Document .

Do you agree with our proposal that we move public toilets from being funded district-wide to being locally funded?

No, I do not agree. Public toilets should remain funded through a district-wide rate.

Cemeteries are currently paid for by a district-wide rate. We are proposing that these facilities should be paid for by ratepayers within each of the local community board areas as these are a local service.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 20 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal that we move cemeteries from being funded district-wide to being locally funded?

Yes, I agree that cemeteries should be funded locally.

All information centres are currently funded through a district-wide rate. We are proposing over the next three years that the funding for the Tairua, Pauanui, Whangamata and Coromandel information centres be funded locally by ratepayers in those community board areas and that the Thames and Whitianga information centers remain funded at a district-wide level as they are key visitor information locations for the whole of the Coromandel Peninsula.

Information relating to this guestion can be found on page 21 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to move Tairua, Pauanui Whangamata and Coromandel information and Coromandel information centres should remain centres to local funding over the next three years? district funded.

No, I do not agree. Tairua, Pauanui Whangamata

Do you agree with our proposal to move Tairua, Pauanui Whangamata and Coromandel information centres to local funding over the next three years? Please tell us why

I propose that the Tairua-Pauanui Community Board fund the Tairua Information Centre for the next three years.

We are proposing a new annual fixed rate of \$200 for all short term accommodation providers (e.g. Bed and Breakfast operators, Book a Bach owners) as a contribution towards economic development expenditure.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 23 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to charge a new annual fixed rate of \$200 for all short term accommodation providers?

Yes, I agree that short term accommodation providers should be charged an annual fixed rate.

We are proposing that Bed and Breakfast operators with four or more rooms for hire be reclassified as commercial properties.

Information relating to this guestion can be found on page 23 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to reclassify Bed and Breakfast operators with four or more rooms for hire as commercial properties?

Yes, I agree that Bed and Breakfast operators with four or more rooms for hire should be reclassified as commercial properties.

We are proposing a rates remission (refund) for residents in a retirement village who don't qualify for the central government rates rebate because of how they own their homes.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 24 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to give a rate remission to residents in a retirement village who don't qualify for the central government rates rebate because of how they own their homes?

Yes, I agree that residents in a retirement village who don't qualify for the central government rates rebate because of how they own their homes should be given a rates remission.

We are proposing that all second dwellings of 50 square metres or less (i.e. "Granny Flats") will receive a rates remission (refund) of 50% of their fixed rates charges (e.g. UAGC, water charges).

Information relating to this question can be found on page 24 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to give a rates remission to all second dwellings of 50 square metres or less?

Yes, I agree with giving a rates remission to second dwellings of 50 square metres or less.

We are proposing a new fee for the Hahei Park and Ride, and to extend fees for Mercury Bay boat ramps and trailer parking areas to all upgraded boat ramp areas.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 25 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with the proposed fees for the Hahei I agree with the new fee for the Hahei Park and Ride Park and Ride and for Mercury Bay boat ramps and but not the extended fees for the Mercury Bay boat trailer parking?

ramps and trailer parking.

We are proposing that the Thames Community Board make additional investment in economic development to be funded from the targeted local rate in the Thames Community Board Area at a total cost of \$140,000. The proposal, which is for the first 3 years of the Long Term Plan includes:

- A new position to promote Thames at a cost of \$90,000 a year
- An additional \$50,000 per year to facilitate economic development in the area.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 26 of the Consultation Document .

Do you agree with the proposed additional investment in economic development in the **Thames Community Board Area?**

No, I do not agree with either of the additional measures taken to support economic development in the Thames Community Board Area.

We are proposing that the Whangamata Community Board accelerates their current gradual programme of footpath construction and kerbing and channel to key roads so that the programme is completed in years 1 and 2 of the Long Term Plan.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 26 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with the proposal that the Whangamata Community Board accelerates their current gradual programme of footpath construction and kerbing and channel to key roads?

Yes, I agree that the Whangamata Community Board accelerates their current gradual programme of footpath construction and kerbing and channel to key roads to be completed in years 1 and 2 of the Long Term Plan.

We are proposing a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway. This would be a project funded by Whangamata Community Board ratepayers and would support economic development.

Information relating to this guestion can be found on page 27 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with the proposed consutruction of a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway, to be funded locally by Whangamata Community **Board ratepayers?**

Yes, I support the construction of a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway.

We are proposing a series of memorial native forests around the Coromandel Peninsula in order to commemorate the NZ soldiers who died in World War 1.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 27 of the Consultation Document.

here in the Coromandel?

Do you support a series of memorial native forests Yes, I support a series of memorial native forests here in the Coromandel.

Do you support a series of memorial native forests here in the Coromandel? Please tell us why.

But it should be all who have died in all wars (war memorial)

Have more to tell us? Record it below.

I propose that the Tairua-Pauanui Community Bothree years.	pard fund the Tairua Information Centre for the next
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rings will be scheduled for late April.	
uld you like to speak at a hearing in support of r submission?	No
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. Representation

Further comments on the Representation activity.

[Submitter addressed submission to the Mercury Bay Community Board.]

Just over two-thirds of respondents [youth in the Mercury Bay area responding to the Coromandel Youth Survey 2013] feel that it is important for young people to be involved in decision making. Only a very small percentage of youth feel they do not need to be involved in decision making. Just under one-third of respondents don't know whether they should be involved in making decisions or not

[Refer to submission for an overview of key results from the Coromandel Youth Survey 2013 which collected 788 total district responses and 252 responses from youth in the Mercury Bay area relating to youth priorities.]

We feel the 2015-2025 Draft Ten Year Plan is completely focused around rates, roading, and rubbish and the community factor is not present. We challenge Council as to what level of commitment youth can expect from you? How and what will you do? What level of resource do you intend to commit? Are you honouring your youth strategy? Youth are in a transitional stage, they will grow up - their experiences as youth may well shape their decision to stay in the district. We would like to reinforce that community and people are everything and we insist that Council members consider what the

priorities and issues are for youth when making decisions that will affect them. [Refer to submission for full detail].

Create more opportunities:

1 Give youth a voice and take their ideas seriously.

When putting projects in place to address issues impacting youth in the Mercury Bay area it is suggested that consideration be made towards:

Ensuring consideration is given to young people, particularly Maori, who may be hard to reach, may be isolated, may be impacted by unpredictable environments, and/or may be disengaged from marae/iwi.

Grants and Remissions

Further comments on the Grants and Remissions activity.

[Submitter addressed submission to the Mercury Bay Community Board.]

We would like to acknowledge some of the great things the Council is doing and we would like to see Council continue to support these and other initiatives including:

1 Ministry of Youth Development Partnership Fund administrator.

Provide financial support to the Whitianga Youth Centre / Space so they can offer a safe place for youth to socialise and access education and support services.

Strategic Planning

Further comments on the Strategic Planning activity.

[Submitter addressed submission to the Mercury Bay Community Board.]

Offer more youth focused activities:

- More activities bowling, mini putt, kayak racing, more action zones, tramping, and cooking classes
- 2 More after school / holiday / weekend programs for youth.
- 3 More youth entertainment such as social events, concerts, night life, productions, and music, dance and performance opportunities.
- 4 More sports, age specific activities, and workshops.

Upgrade current facilities:

Support the local high school by upgrading the classrooms, funding more education opportunities and free equipment; and classes for expelled students would be offered.

Create more opportunities:

1 Help promote youth activities.

Ensure there's more support for youth:

- 1 Respectful interactions with youth without discrimination.
- 2 Support for youth experiencing hardship such as poverty and lack of food.

The three most cited things [from the Coromandel Youth Survey 2013] that youth would change in Mercury Bay to better support youth include:

- 1 More entertainment.
- 2 More youth focused activities.

For Mercury Bay to remain youth-friendly it is suggested that:

- 1 Community relationships remain supportive and positive
- 2 Activities and options that youth enjoy remain available
- 3 There continues to be opportunities for community to unite.

In order to improve Mercury Bay to make it more youth friendly it is recommended that efforts are put into:

1 Motivating a desire in youth to participate in their communities.

When striving to include youth priorities in planning for future Mercury Bay developments it is recommended that consideration be made towards developing the following areas:

1 Respect young people and celebrate the valuable contribution they make to the community. More emphasis should be put into progressing the Youth Strategy.

We would like to acknowledge some of the great things the Council is doing and we would like to see Council continue to support these and other initiatives including:

- 1 Thames-Coromandel District Council Youth Strategy.
- 2 Supporting the 2015 Coromandel Peninsula Youth Awards Members in the Coromandel Peninsula Youth / Council Partnership.

District Plan

Further comments on the District Plan activity.

[Submitter addressed submission to the Mercury Bay Community Board.]

Provide a healthier environment:

- 1 Conserve the environment by allocating more beach/land reserves.

 When striving to include youth priorities in planning for future Mercury Bay developments it is recommended that consideration be made towards developing the following areas:
- 1 Create a lush and healthy environment that young people are proud to call their own, and that focuses upon sustaining natural resources into the future.

Community Health and Safety

Further comments on the Community Health and Safety activity.

[Submitter addressed submission to the Mercury Bay Community Board.]

Create more opportunities:

1 Relax certain laws such as fires and vehicles on the beach.

Ensure there's more support for youth:

- 1 More education around drugs, alcohol, sex, and sexually transmitted infections.
- 2 Free condoms that are easily accessible.

In order to improve Mercury Bay to make it more youth friendly it is recommended that efforts are put into:

1 Reducing incidences of crime, violence, and intimidation towards youth.

When putting projects in place to address issues impacting youth in the Mercury Bay ar

When putting projects in place to address issues impacting youth in the Mercury Bay area it is suggested that consideration be made towards:

1 Reducing the prevalence and impact of legal and illegal drug use.

When striving to include youth priorities in planning for future Mercury Bay developments it is recommended that consideration be made towards developing the following areas:

- 1 Create healthy public policies that challenge the factors identified by young people as making them feel unsafe and vulnerable, and ensure more action is taken to challenge unreasonable and unlawful behaviours.
- 2 Ensure young people have access to robust support and education around the aspects of youth health that are impacting their ability to prosper.

Coastal and Hazard Management

Further comments on the Coastal and Hazard Management activity.

[Submitter addressed submission to the Mercury Bay Community Board.]

Provide a healthier environment:

1 Stop the erosion of the beach frontage and swimming areas.

Economic Development

Further comments on the Economic Development activity.

[Submitter addressed submission to the Mercury Bay Community Board.]

Invest in new developments:

- 1 New outdoor facilities mountain bike and motocross tracks, camp grounds, a new skate park, and more parks and playgrounds, walkways, and outdoor entertainment areas.
- 2 Expand commercial areas to support new business ventures.

Offer more youth focused activities:

1 More community events.

Improve retail options:

- 1 More youth focused clothing shops skate I surf, menswear, Glasson's, Valley Girl, Jay Jays, and Cotton On.
- 2 More food outlets fast food, café's, Carls Jnr, Burger King, Kiwi Yo, juice bars, lolly shops, pizza parlours, and Burger Fuel.
- 3 Build a mall or shopping centre which would have included specific interest shops like science, pets, gaming.
- 4 Open a Z gas station.

Create more opportunities:

- 1 More employment.
- 2 More free WIFI hotspots and fast broadband.

The most cited things [from the Coromandel Youth Survey 2013] that youth would change in Mercury Bay to better support youth include:

1 More youth focussed clothing shops.

In order to improve Mercury Bay to make it more youth friendly it is recommended that efforts are put into:

1 Targeting youth interests when developing new facilities, shops and activities.

When putting projects in place to address issues impacting youth in the Mercury Bay area it is suggested that consideration be made towards:

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- 1 Increase opportunities for young people to get ahead in life, become more connected, independent and financially sound, and ensure their skills remain in our district.
- Invest in new developments that improve young people's access to activities that excite them and enable them to foster skills in what they are passionate about, and that encourage people to come to the area.

3 Advocate that new retail opportunities consider youth as a target market when setting up in the area.

Mercury Bay - Community Spaces

Further comments on the Mercury Bay - Community Spaces activity.

[Submitter addressed submission to the Mercury Bay Community Board.]

The findings have shown that although fifteen youth opted not to respond to the question, the majority or two-thirds of the youth that participated felt that the Mercury Bay area was youth friendly, compared with one-third that felt the area was not youth friendly.

The three things young people feel most make Mercury Bay youth friendly are when:

- 1 people are nice, friendly, caring and helpful
- 2 there are a variety of activities! options that youth enjoy available
- 3 everyone knows everyone.

The three things young people feel most make Mercury Bay non-youth friendly are when:

- 1 there is nothing to do and they were sick of the same old things
- 2 there is a lack of youth focussed facilities, shops and activities
- 3 they are impacted by legal and illegal drug use.

The biggest impacts on youth in the Mercury Bay area are (in order of responses to the Coromandel Youth Survey 2013):

- 1 Substance abuse
- 2 Unengaged youth
- 3 Vulnerability
- 4 Lack of opportunities
- 5 Isolation.

[Refer to full submission for more detail.]

[Survey] themes identified by young people are not necessarily core activities of local government, however, from a young person's perspective the Council should be able to influence and support activities to:

Invest in new developments:

- More entertainment an amusement I theme park which would include a bowling alley, an ice skating rink, dodgems, an arcade and game zone, jet skis, zorbing, a Luge, a Snow Planet, rollerblading, and a water park.
- 2 New indoor facilities built to provide safe places for youth to hang out.
- 3 All facilities to be affordable for young people to use.

Offer more youth focused activities:

1 More cool and safe places to hang out.

Upgrade current facilities:

- 1 Community pools deeper, heated all year, with hydro slides and wave and lap pools.
- 2 The skate park bigger with more gear, and the drain beside it would have been turned into a massive bowl.
- 3 Playgrounds expand them and add more gear.
- 4 Improve the bike park.
- 5 Improve the ferry.
- 6 Improve the wharf.
- 7 Repair important facilities such as the public toilets and footpaths.

Improve safety and security:

- 1 Add more street lights, police on duty, and security cameras and more action on crime.
- 2 Eliminate violence, aggression, bullying, cyber bullying, and drugs.

- 3 Alcohol made less available more consequences, improved regulations, increased prices, and liquor bans.
- 4 School policies should be improved to ensure that school was a fun, safe, healthy, drug free place.
- Have safety services available to the community, such as lifeguards at the beaches.

Provide a healthier environment:

1 Beautify the area by funding murals by youth.

Ensure there's more support for youth:

- 1 Ensure a great youth / family environment with good community spirit.

 When striving to include youth priorities in planning for future Mercury Bay developments it is recommended that consideration be made towards developing the following areas:
- 1 Develop plans to maintain and improve established facilities that young people use on an ongoing basis.
- 2 Offer activities and events targeted towards areas that interest youth and create safe areas for young people to socialize.

We would like to acknowledge some of the great things the Council is doing and we would like to see Council continue to support these and other initiatives including:

1 Support to local youth centres / spaces.

Roads and Footpaths

Further comments on the Roads and Footpaths activity.

[Submitter addressed submission to the Mercury Bay Community Board.]

Create more opportunities:

- 1 Free public transport ferry and buses. Improve safety and security:
- 1 Improve road safety by lowering speed limits, and allocating cycle lanes.

Solid Waste

Further comments on the Solid Waste activity.

[Submitter addressed submission to the Mercury Bay Community Board.]

Provide a healthier environment:

1 Clean up the beaches.

Other

Further comments.

[Submitter addressed submission to the Mercury Bay Community Board.]

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1 Community Development Officers youth focus.

Hearing

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Information relating to this question can be found on page 15 of the Consultation Document .

Do you agree with our proposal to move the funding of debt on the Eastern Seaboard wastewater plants from development to rates?

No, I do not agree.

Stormwater is currently an activity which is paid for by ratepayers within each community board area. We are proposing that this should be funded at a district level as one of our essential services.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 19 of the Consultation Document .

Do you agree with our proposal that we move stormwater from being locally funded to district-wide funding?

Yes, I agree that stormwater should be funded district-wide.

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Yes, I agree that residents in a retirement village who don't qualify for the central government rates rebate because of how they own their homes should be given a rates remission.

We are proposing that all second dwellings of 50 square metres or less (i.e. "Granny Flats") will receive a rates remission (refund) of 50% of their fixed rates charges (e.g. UAGC, water charges).

Information relating to this question can be found on page 24 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to give a rates remission to all second dwellings of 50 square metres or less?

Yes, I agree with giving a rates remission to second dwellings of 50 square metres or less.

Do you agree with the proposed additional investment in economic development in the Thames Community Board Area? Please tell us why.

N/A

Do you agree with the proposal that the Whangamata Community Board accelerates their current gradual programme of footpath construction and kerbing and channel to key roads? Please tell us why.

N/A

Do you agree with the proposed consutruction of a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway, to be funded locally by Whangamata Community Board ratepayers? Please tell us why.

N/A

We are proposing a series of memorial native forests around the Coromandel Peninsula in order to commemorate the NZ soldiers who died in World War 1.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 27 of the Consultation Document.

Do you support a series of memorial native forests Yes, I support a series of memorial native forests here in the Coromandel?

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Representation

Further comments on the Representation activity.

[Submitter addressed submission to the Coromandel-Colville Community Board]

[The submission outlines key results from the Coromandel Youth Survey 2013, particularly responses from youth in the Coromandel-Colville Community Board area. Refer to full submission].

Just under two-thirds of respondents [youth in the Coromandel-Colville area responding to the Coromandel Youth Survey 2013] feel that it is important for young people to be involved in decision making. Only one young person felt they did not need to be involved in decision making. Just over one-third of respondents didn't know whether they should be involved in making decisions or not.

[Refer to submission for an overview of key results from the Coromandel Youth Survey 2013 which collected 788 total district responses including 88 responses from youth in the Coromandel-Colville area relating to youth priorities.]

We feel the 2015-2025 Draft Ten Year Plan is completely focused around rates, roading, and rubbish and the community factor is not present. We challenge Council as to what level of commitment youth can expect from you? How and what will you do? What level of resource do you intend to commit? Are you honouring your youth strategy? Youth are in a transitional stage, they will grow up - their

experiences as youth may well shape their decision to stay in the district. We would like to reinforce that community and people are everything and we insist that Council members consider what the priorities and issues are for youth when making decisions that will affect them. [Refer to submission for full detail].

[Submitter addressed submission to the Coromandel-Colville Community Board]

When putting projects in place to address issues impacting youth in the Coromandel-Colville area it is suggested that consideration be made towards:

1 Ensuring consideration is given to young people, particularly Maori, who may be hard to reach, may be isolated, may be impacted by unpredictable environments, and/or may be disengaged from marae/iwi.

Grants and Remissions

Further comments on the Grants and Remissions activity.

[Submitter addressed submission to the Coromandel-Colville Community Board]

Create more opportunities:

1 Fund school books and other gear.

We would like to acknowledge some of the great things the Council is doing and we would like to see Council continue to support these and other initiatives including:

1 Ministry of Youth Development Partnership Fund administrator.

Strategic Planning

Further comments on the Strategic Planning activity.

[Submitter addressed submission to the Coromandel-Colville Community Board]

Create more opportunities:

- 1 Give youth a voice, acknowledged their ideas and act upon them to make a difference. Provide a healthier environment:
- 1 Ensure there's more support for youth.
- 2 Help for youth and families experiencing hardship such as homelessness.
- Present awards recognising the value youth bring to the community and their achievements.

For Coromandel-Colville to remain youth-friendly it is suggested that:

- 1 Community relationships remain supportive and positive.
- 2 Activities and options that youth enjoy remain available.
- There continues to be opportunities for community to unite.

In order to improve Coromandel-Colville to make it more youth friendly it is recommended that efforts are put into:

1 Motivating a desire in youth to participate in their communities.

When striving to include youth priorities in planning for future Coromandel-Colville developments it is recommended that consideration be made towards developing the following areas:

1 Respect young people and celebrate the valuable contribution they make to the community. More emphasis should be put into progressing the Youth Strategy.

We would like to acknowledge some of the great things the Council is doing and we would like to see Council continue to support these and other initiatives including:

- 1 Thames-Coromandel District Council Youth Strategy.
- 2 Supporting the 2015 Coromandel Peninsula Youth Awards Members in the Coromandel Peninsula Youth / Council Partnership .

District Plan

Further comments on the District Plan activity.

[Submitter addressed submission to the Coromandel-Colville Community Board]

Provide a healthier environment:

No mining.

When striving to include youth priorities in planning for future Coromandel-Colville developments it is recommended that consideration be made towards developing the following areas:

1 Create a lush and healthy environment that young people are proud to call their own, and that focuses upon sustaining natural resources into the future.

Community Health and Safety

Further comments on the Community Health and Safety activity.

[Submitter addressed submission to the Coromandel-Colville Community Board]

Improve safety and security:

- 1 Eliminate violence, abuse, bullying, theft, tagging, drugs, and smoking.
- 2 More police on duty, and security cameras.
- 3 Alcohol made less available to youth.
- 4 More consequences around drug and alcohol use by youth.
- 5 Reduce the amount of liquor stores and improve regulations around sale and supply.
- 6 A curfew to keep troublesome youth off the streets.
- 7 Improve policies to make schools safer, drug free places.
- 8 Expect better behaviour and role modelling by adults.

In order to improve Coromandel-Colville to make it more youth friendly it is recommended that efforts are put into:

1 Reducing incidences of crime, violence, and intimidation towards youth.

When putting projects in place to address issues impacting youth in the Coromandel-Colville area it is suggested that consideration be made towards:

1 Reducing the prevalence and impact of legal and illegal drug use.

When striving to include youth priorities in planning for future Coromandel-Colville developments it is recommended that consideration be made towards developing the following areas:

- 1 Create healthy public policies that challenge the factors identified by young people as making them feel unsafe and vulnerable, and ensure more action is taken to challenge unreasonable and unlawful behaviours.
- 2 Ensure young people have access to robust support and education around the aspects of youth health that are impacting their ability to prosper.

Economic Development

Further comments on the Economic Development activity.

[Submitter addressed submission to the Coromandel-Colville Community Board] Invest in new developments:

- 1 Grow the community more space, people, and employment infrastructure. Improve retail options:
- 1 More youth focused clothing and pet shops.
- 2 Thames Mall bigger, more exciting, take it off the market, stop shops from leaving, increase opening hours, and lower the rent.
- 3 More food outlets KFC and lolly shops.
- 4 Build a mall and ensure everything was affordable.

Create more opportunities:

More employment.

The most cited things [from the Coromandel Youth Survey 2013] that youth would change in Coromandel / Colville to better support youth includes:

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- 1 Targeting youth interests when developing new facilities, shops and activities. When putting projects in place to address issues impacting youth in the Coromandel-Colville area it is suggested that consideration be made towards:
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- 3 Advocate that new retail opportunities consider youth as a target market when setting up in the area.

Coromandel-Colville - Community Spaces

Further comments on the Coromandel-Colville - Community Spaces activity.

[Submitter addressed submission to the Coromandel-Colville Community Board]

The findings [of the Coromandel Youth Survey 2013] have shown that although three youth opted not to respond to the question, the majority or just under two-thirds of the youth that participated felt that the Coromandel/Colville area was youth friendly, compared with just over one-third that felt the area was not youth friendly.

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- 1 there is nothing to do and they are sick of the same old things
- 2 there is legal and illegal drug use
- 3 there is nowhere to hang out
- 4 there is tagging and littering.

The biggest impacts on youth in the Coromandel-Colville area are (in order of responses to the Coromandel Youth Survey 2013):

- 1 Vulnerability
- 2 Substance abuse

- 3 Unengaged youth
- 4 Lack of opportunities
- 5 Isolation.

[Refer to full submission for more detail.]

Improve current options:

- 1 The skate park make it bigger and add a bowl.
- 2 Support the local high school by upgrading the classrooms, and funding more education opportunities.
- 3 Community pools make it bigger and heat it.
- 4 Playgrounds expand them, and remove the bark and add softer material.
- 5 The wharf offer more docks for boats.

Provide a healthier environment:

1 Beautify the area through art, including graffiti art.

Create more youth focused activities:

- 1 More youth focused activities and sports.
- 2 More cool and safe places to hang out.
- 3 More youth entertainment.
- 4 More community events.

Invest in new developments:

- 1 More affordable indoor facilities to house sports, a professional dance studio, a cinema, bowling and ice skating rinks, and go karts.
- 2 Build a huge BMX I Skate Park in Coromandel Town.

The most cited things [from the Coromandel Youth Survey 2013] that youth would change in Coromandel / Colville to better support youth includes:

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Support to local youth centres / spaces.

Roads and Footpaths

Further comments on the Roads and Footpaths activity.

[Submitter addressed submission to the Coromandel-Colville Community Board]

Create more opportunities:

1 Free public transport.

Solid Waste

Further comments on the Solid Waste activity.

[Submitter addressed submission to the Coromandel-Colville Community Board]

Provide a healthier environment:

1 Remove rubbish from the community.

Other

Further comments.

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Yes, I agree with giving a rates remission to second dwellings of 50 square metres or less.

We are proposing a new fee for the Hahei Park and Ride, and to extend fees for Mercury Bay boat ramps and trailer parking areas to all upgraded boat ramp areas.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 25 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with the proposed fees for the Hahei Yes, I agree with the fees for the Hahei Park and Park and Ride and for Mercury Bay boat ramps and trailer parking?

Ride and for Mercury Bay boat ramps and trailer parking.

We are proposing that the Thames Community Board make additional investment in economic development to be funded from the targeted local rate in the Thames Community Board Area at a total cost of \$140,000. The proposal, which is for the first 3 years of the Long Term Plan includes:

- A new position to promote Thames at a cost of \$90,000 a year
- An additional \$50,000 per year to facilitate economic development in the area.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 26 of the Consultation Document .

Do you agree with the proposed additional investment in economic development in the **Thames Community Board Area?**

Yes, I agree with both of the additional measures taken to support economic development in the Thames Community Board Area at a total cost of \$140,000 per year.

We are proposing a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway. This would be a project funded by Whangamata Community Board ratepayers and would support economic development.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 27 of the Consultation Document .

Do you agree with the proposed consutruction of a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway, to be funded locally by Whangamata Community **Board ratepayers?**

Yes, I support the construction of a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway.

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Representation

Further comments on the Representation activity.

It is important for young people to be involved in decision making. This was supported by three out of five young people that participated in the Coromandel Youth Survey 2013.

Before decisions are made about what to change to improve the district for young people, it is important to assess what they [young people in the district] like most about the area. [Refer to submission for an overview of key results from the Coromandel Youth Survey 2013 which collected 788 total responses related to youth priorities.]

We feel the 2015-2025 draft Ten Year Plan is completely focused around rates, roading, and rubbish and the community factor is not present. Regardless of this, we would like to reinforce that community and people are everything and we insist that Council members consider what the priorities / issues are for youth when making decisions that will affect them.

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Grants and Remissions

Further comments on the Grants and Remissions activity.

We would like to acknowledge some of the great things the Council is doing and we would like to see Council continue to support these and other initiatives including:

1 Ministry of Youth Development Partnership Fund administrator.

Strategic Planning

Further comments on the Strategic Planning activity.

More emphasis should be put into progressing the Youth Strategy.

For Thames / Coromandel to remain youth-friendly it is suggested that:

- 1 Community relationships remain supportive and positive.
- 2 Activities and options that youth enjoy remain available.
- 3 There continues to be opportunities for community to unite.

In order to improve the district to make it more youth friendly it is recommended that efforts are put into:

1 Motivating a desire in youth to participate in their communities.

When striving to include youth priorities in planning for future Thames / Coromandel developments it is recommended that consideration be made towards developing the following areas:

- 1 Create healthy public policies that challenge the factors identified by young people as making them feel unsafe and vulnerable, and ensure more action is taken to challenge unreasonable and unlawful behaviours.
- 2 Respect young people and celebrate the valuable contribution they make to the community.
- 3 Ensure young people have access to robust support and education around the aspects of youth health that are impacting their ability to prosper.

More emphasis should be put into progressing the Youth Strategy.

We would like to acknowledge some of the great things the Council is doing and we would like to see Council continue to support these and other initiatives including:

- 1 Thames-Coromandel District Council Youth Strategy
- 2 Supporting the 2015 Coromandel Peninsula Youth Awards Members in the Coromandel Peninsula Youth / Council Partnership.

District Plan

Further comments on the District Plan activity.

When striving to include youth priorities in planning for future Thames / Coromandel developments it is recommended that consideration be made towards developing the following areas:

1 Create a lush and healthy environment that young people are proud to call their own, and that focuses upon sustaining natural resources into the future.

Community Health and Safety

Further comments on the Community Health and Safety activity.

In order to improve the district to make it more youth friendly it is recommended that efforts are put into:

1 Reducing incidences of crime, violence, and intimidation towards youth.
When putting projects in place to address issues impacting youth in the Thames / Coromandel area it is suggested that consideration be made towards:

1 Reducing the prevalence and impact of legal and illegal drug use.
When striving to include youth priorities in planning for future Thames / Coromandel developments it is recommended that consideration be made towards developing the following areas:

- Develop plans to maintain and improve established facilities that young people use on an ongoing basis.
- 2 Offer activities and events targeted towards areas that interest youth and create safe areas for young people to socialize.

Economic Development

Further comments on the Economic Development activity.

In order to improve the district to make it more youth friendly it is recommended that efforts are put into:

- 1 Targeting youth interests when developing new facilities, shops and activities.
 When putting projects in place to address issues impacting youth in the Thames / Coromandel area it is suggested that consideration be made towards:
- 1 Utilising modern marketing systems and youth focused promotion when presenting youth targeted activities.
- 2 Involving youth in the planning and implementation of new developments.
 When striving to include youth priorities in planning for future Thames / Coromandel developments it is recommended that consideration be made towards developing the following areas:
- 1 Increase opportunities for young people to get ahead in life, become more connected, independent and financially sound, and ensure their skills remain in our district.
- Invest in new developments that improve young people's access to activities that excite them and enable them to foster skills in what they are passionate about, and that encourage people to come to the area.
- 3 Advocate that new retail opportunities consider youth as a target market when setting up in the area.

. Other

Further comments.

We would like to acknowledge some of the great things the Council is doing and we would like to see Council continue to support these and other initiatives including:

- 1 Support to local youth centres / spaces.
- 2 Community Development Officers youth focus.

Hearing

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Information relating to this question can be found on page 15 of the Consultation Document .

Do you agree with our proposal to move the funding of debt on the Eastern Seaboard wastewater plants from development to rates?

No, I do not agree.

Stormwater is currently an activity which is paid for by ratepayers within each community board area. We are proposing that this should be funded at a district level as one of our essential services.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 19 of the Consultation Document .

Do you agree with our proposal that we move stormwater from being locally funded to district-wide funding?

Yes, I agree that stormwater should be funded district-wide.

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Information relating to this guestion can be found on page 21 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to move Tairua,No, I do not ag **Pauanui Whangamata and Coromandel information**and Coromand **centres to local funding over the next three years?**district funded.

No, I do not agree. Tairua, Pauanui Whangamata and Coromandel information centres should remain district funded

Do you agree with our proposal to move Tairua, Pauanui Whangamata and Coromandel information centres to local funding over the next three years? Please tell us why

[Submission form was pre-populated with this statement.]

I propose that the Tairua-Pauanui Community Board funds the Tairua Information Centre for the next three years.

Do you agree with our proposal to charge a new annual fixed rate of \$200 for all short term accommodation providers? Please tell us why.

N/A

Do you agree with our proposal to reclassify Bed and Breakfast operators with four or more rooms for hire as commercial properties? Please tell us why

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We are proposing a rates remission (refund) for residents in a retirement village who don't qualify for the central government rates rebate because of how they own their homes.

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Ride and for Mercury Bay boat ramps and trailer parking.

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- A new position to promote Thames at a cost of \$90,000 a year
- An additional \$50,000 per year to facilitate economic development in the area. Information relating to this question can be found on page 26 of the Consultation Document .

Do you agree with the proposed additional investment in economic development in the **Thames Community Board Area?**

I only agree with the additional \$50,000 per year, not the new role at a cost of \$90,000 a year.

Do you agree with the proposal that the Whangamata Community Board accelerates their current gradual programme of footpath construction and kerbing and channel to key roads? Please tell us why.

N/A

Do you agree with the proposed consutruction of a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway, to be funded locally by Whangamata Community Board ratepayers? Please tell us why.

N/A

We are proposing a series of memorial native forests around the Coromandel Peninsula in order to commemorate the NZ soldiers who died in World War 1.

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No, I do not agree. Tairua, Pauanui Whangamata

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Information relating to this guestion can be found on page 23 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to charge a new annual fixed rate of \$200 for all short term accommodation providers?

No, I do not agree that short term accommodation providers should be charged an annual fixed rate.

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No, I do not agree. Bed and Breakfast operators with four or more rooms for hire should not be reclassified as commercial properties.

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No, I do not agree with either of the additional measures taken to support economic development in the Thames Community Board Area.

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Do you agree with the proposed consutruction of a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway, to be funded locally by Whangamata Community **Board ratepayers?**

Yes, I support the construction of a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway.

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Hearing

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Please select the option that best describes you. I own a property in the Thames-Coromandel District but I live elsewhere in New Zealand

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No, I do not agree. Tairua, Pauanui Whangamata district funded.

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Do you agree with the proposed additional investment in economic development in the Thames not the new role at a cost of \$90,000 a year. **Community Board Area?**

I only agree with the additional \$50,000 per year,

Do you agree with the proposed additional investment in economic development in the Thames Community Board Area? Please tell us why.

I am not a Thames ratepayer though.

Do you agree with the proposal that the Whangamata Community Board accelerates their current gradual programme of footpath construction and kerbing and channel to key roads? Please tell us why.

No opinion.

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Do you agree with the proposed consutruction of a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway, to be funded locally by Whangamata Community **Board ratepayers?**

Yes, I support the construction of a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway.

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[Comments on attached sheet - still to be located]

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Do you support a series of memorial native forests here in the Coromandel? Please tell us why.

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Have more to tell us? Record it below.

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Do you agree with our proposal to move Tairua, Pauanui Whangamata and Coromandel information centres to local funding over the next three years? Please tell us why

Request extension of funding Tairua Information Centre through district wide rates for three years - this is the gateway to the Coromandel.

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Submission by Ronald Annan

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Telephone

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No, I do not support a series of memorial native forests here in the Coromandel.

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There are a large number of homes that are underutilised and could be potential accommodation for special events at off peak times with everyone benefiting. Lets encourage rather than discourage. We don not want people to withdraw their properties.

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Economic Development

Further comments on the Economic Development activity.

Natural + Cultural Heritage relates to Economic Development Tourism

I would like to support the proposed Coromandel Heritage Region as a 20-50 year vision but with emphasis on having a specific natural and cultural heritage activity that will support this vision within the LTP.

To define Heritage: it is anything that someone wishes to conserve or collect to pass on to future generations.

Heritage Tourism: is defined as visits from persons outside the host community that motivated by the opportunity to enjoy the special values of the natural and cultural heritage activities. Tourism is a major economic contributor.

It is therefore disturbing that no reference to the continuation of the natural and cultural heritage activity is in the LTP, or the need to up the Council's Heritage Strategy (last reviewed in 2008) is included.

With the initiative for the Coromandel to become a heritage region is is disconcerting to read on page 22 that there are no project costs associated with this as it will only require staff resources. Not only should there be come financial commitment, but co-ordination and leadership is necessary. Heritage should be recognised as important in terms of Council's outcomes, "A prosperous district: The peninsula has a prosperous economy" and "A liveable district: is a preferred area of NZ in which to live, work, raise a family and have a safe and satisfying lifestyle."

I ask that Council enable the existing strengths and heritage opportunities be given a high priority in determining our future economic development while retaining our unique character both historically and culturally. Build on what we have.

Hearing

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Would you like to speak at a hearing in support of Yes your submission?

Telephone

Telephone 078668039

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Agree if the rates could be directed to the economic development of the town that it is drawn on - and used to support the Whangamata Information Centre and other economic development projects.

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Have more to tell us? Record it below.

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Thames - Community Spaces

Further comments on the Thames - Community Spaces activity.

Pedestrian safety issues in regard to the proposed Thames War Memorial Civic Centre/i-site project.

Proposed Thames War Memorial Civic Centre/i-site project

Clarification is requested as to where this is listed in the Consultation Document March 2015-2025 as ab item for Budgetary funding approval. How is it included within the chart on page 40-41?

Concerns about the need for pedestrian safety upgrade in view of the anticipated increase of foot traffic and heavy traffic use. ie. Intercity buses travelling along Mary Street.

Pedestrian "Refuges" which exist as crossings at present will not be sufficient to ensure the safety of pedestrians as heavy traffic increases congestion.

Hearing

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Would you like to speak at a hearing in support Yes of your submission?

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I agree with memorial forests but with over 60% of Coromandel in bush find it hard to believe we need to plant - use existing sites.

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1 April 2015

Long Term Plan Submission
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Dear Sir or Madam,

Submission on Consultation Document for the 2015/2025 Long Term Plan

Trust Waikato wishes to make a submission on your 2015/2025 Long Term Plan (LTP) consultation document. This submission was approved during the Trust's 19 March 2015 meeting and has been duly authorised by the chair and chief executive on behalf of Trust Waikato.

1 Trust Waikato (The Waikato Community Trust Inc)

Trust Waikato was established by government statute in 1988 to hold the shares of Trust Bank Waikato. These shares were sold in 1996 and the Trust now holds a range of international and domestic investments. Each year the Trust distributes a percentage of its profits generated from the global investment portfolio.

Our vision is for resilient and vibrant communities and, since 1989, the Trust has donated over \$147 million dollars to the greater Waikato community. Our funding area includes the districts of Thames Coromandel, Hauraki, Matamata Piako, Waipa, Waikato, South Waikato, Waitomo, Otorohanga, Ruapehu and Hamilton city.

Our strategic areas of focus support our aims of investing wisely and donating effectively. We focus on projects, programmes and organisations which contribute to the well-being of communities. We've traditionally had funding priorities around increasing participation in community activities; youth development; preserving our history and cultural identity and encouraging groups to work together and to share facilities for community benefit. We also have a particular focus on working with Maori, Pacific peoples and ethnic communities and their supporters.

2 Specific Feedback on the Long Term Plan

Trust Waikato (the Board) supports the **Waikato Spatial Plan project** and acknowledges the Council, as an observer in the process.





The Board notes and supports the Waikato Spatial Plan's primary objective of contributing to the Waikato's social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being through a comprehensive and effective long-term strategy for Waikato's growth and development.

The Board looks forward to increased collaboration of central and local government and the philanthropic sector within the Region, which is being demonstrated through this partnership model.

The Board also asks the Thames Coromandel District Council to consider further the results of **the sport and creative facilities infrastructure plans**, completed in 2014. The *Waikato Regional Sports Facilities Plan* and the *Waikato Creative Infrastructure Plan* represent an opportunity to collaborate, to bring parties together, and to develop and deliver the sports and creative facilities our communities need.

The Board also notes its support of the **Trust Waikato Hot Water Beach Lifeguard Service** and suggests to the Council the need for permanent life saving facilities at the Beach, given the extraordinarily high visitor and rescue numbers. As it has done previously, the Trust Board expresses an interest in collaborating with TCDC to assist in this development.

Trust Waikato does **not** wish to present its submission in person, but welcomes contact with our Chief Executive for further discussion.

Yours sincerely

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Submission to Thames Coromandel District Council
In the matter of the proposed Long term Plan 2015 to 2025

Submitter: Evan Penny

02.04.2015

To The Mayor and Councillors:



Against all resolutions over the last twelve years to recuse myself from all local government matters I am pleased to make the following submissions to the above referenced document.

I was encouraged to do so by the clear and simple style of the consultation document, and I congratulate you on it for this.

I also appreciate that you have formulated a simple set of objectives for the council's involvement in the future of the district, with clearly set out reasons for your interventions, and their likely costs. This is refreshing.

Your attitude to council spending is also appreciated. The legal ability of councils to levy rates across all ratepayers must be balanced by a sense that the ratepayer purse is not limitless. You appear to be taking that issue very seriously. I am appreciative of the clear desire of council to get a hold of spending, and to manage council debt to within realistic limits.

I appreciate the evident preference of council for the construction of good quality infrastructure, with a view to longevity and long term usefulness. It may seem something of a contradiction of conventional economic thinking, but as one gets older investments in the future gain rather than loose importance. The construction of good quality infrastructure is more important than scraping by with short term solutions. This appears to coincide with council's recent approaches, and I support this.

The following comments refer to specific parts of the Proposed Long Long Term Plan (LTP).

Essential Services: With reservations I support identification of the five essential services, and the principles guiding the 30 year strategy. My reservations concern firstly fair treatment of communities who have recently fully funded their own essential services, and secondly ensuring that moving away from area of benefit funding to general rating is fair to those sectors of the community who are not serviced by all of the essential services. I note in this regard that there has never been any assistance for rural house owner for installation of their stand alone water supplies, storm water disposal or sewage systems. More of that under the funding discussion.

Local Services: Restricting myself mainly to commenting on the Mercury Bay area I would firstly like to support the initiatives proposed here, and appreciate efforts to improve services of such as footpaths around out outlying communities such as Kuaotunu, but stress that when major work is undertaken, for such as a sea wall, that the finished result should enhance public access and enjoyment of the natural environment. The preoccupation with rip rap walling achieves neither of these objectives. These works are a real opportunity for council to showcase its determination to add to the attractiveness of the area for visitors and residents alike, and thus to contribute to economic development. I commend the style of walling evident along Auckland's North facing beaches, and as constructed within the Whitianga canal housing zone. The costs would initially be higher, but the results immeasurable better aligned with council's Vision and Outcomes.

Financial Prudence: I question whether it is sustainable to cap average cumulative district rate increases to no more than CPI. Council costs are comprised of internal administrative costs and contracted service costs. Capping these latter costs would be a good principle if council services remained constant over time, and no additional new facilities or services were provided in the District. Some increases in council budgets could be funded from an increase in development in the district and increases in the rating base, and these costs might be managed under the CPI cap, but the assumption would be that the levels of service pro rata would have to be frozen in time at the current levels.

The other component of costs used to be described as the council up factor. This factor used to be used to represented the costs of any service over the actual externally contracted costs. A public work might cost say \$1.00 but the final cost to ratepayers had to include all the internal council costs to administer the work. Up factors of in excess of 2.5 used to be common, meaning that the \$1.00 project cost would cost ratepayers \$2.50. Reducing the up factor is obviously where savings would have to be found.

I am certain that council does everything reasonably possible to get the best value for money out of its external contractors, but the real opportunity to get more for less is to reduce the up factor. With my background in local government I am well aware of the constraints and requirements placed on local government by law, and that this environment creates costs for the ratepayer that private individuals and normal commercial concern do not face, but if there is to be any way to squeeze more goods and services from local government it will have to come from reducing the internal democratic and accountability costs?

So what can council do? One thing that commends itself to me is that council coul press Local Government NZ to lobby the Minister Of Local Government to reduce the bureaucracy involved in territorial government. The Government seem well aware of the problem with bureaucracy with the Resource management Act, but the point needs to be made that the tortuous processes within the Local Government Act and the Local Bodies Rating Powers Act might also be worthy of his attention.

The third issue I raise is that with the best of intentions to hold rates you will come under pressure to agree to one additional project after another. With this pressure on one side and your aim of holding rates increases on the other side you will inevitably be tempted to fund vote winning projects by delaying infrastructure maintenance. You may get to do the small projects by deferring infrastructure maintenance, but future ratepayers will not thank you.

In summary, my submission concerning financial prudence is that council should work with Local Government NZ to reduce the complexity and cost of local governance, adopt a CPI objective for all existing projects without compromising infrastructure maintenance, but not tie council's hands where new project opportunities present or commend themselves.

Economic development: In general terms I agree with the scope of present activities, and with the intended developments. Anticipating infrastructural needs is good, and assisting communities to develop access to our natural and recreational amenities is also OK by me. Harbour development, however, is one area where council must step in as facilitator, so I support the Coromandel Harbour project..

Council already does a great many things to stimulate use and enjoyment of the district. Paying attention to the attractiveness of such as footpaths and wharves, attractive public open spaces generally, the provision of convenient parking, the provision of litter and toilet facilities and dog bag dispensers in open spaces are just some of the many ways that ratepayers money benefits residents as well as commercial businesses dependent on visitor activities. The maintenance of our local roads need to be mentioned here as well, and with my approval – it wasn't

always so. Managing infrastructure so as to facilitate use and enjoyment of the district is the baseline of economic development, and should be seen as part of council's contribution, rather than actively getting into the business of creating attractions. Councils cannot expect to do this well, and should stay right away from it.

The great walks project is an example I can agree with because it is council assisting communities, and assisting with management of access to the natural features that already exist. The Hauraki Rail Trail is a somewhat different issues where the demise of rail transport along the route has given rise to a unique and never to be repeated opportunity to retain a dedicated land access route in public ownership, and capitalize on a recreational trip experience of regional significance. Without local body involvement the trail would not get off the ground. On that basis I support it.

Creation of an all tide access into Coromandel township is also a project I support. My question is, however, who should pay for it. The clear advantage goes to Coromandel town itself and with some flow on benefit to Thames Coast and Mercury Bay. There would also be benefits to the aquaculture industry, the ferry service and fishing tourism operators. I support a partnership approach.

I question the medium to long term future role of the information centers, given the greatly increased use of the internet for the sorts of services currently provided by these centers. To that extent I support the proposed shift to full local funding but question whether anything is gained by spreading a \$19 to \$26 increase over three years.

Targeting B&B owners: I can't support an across the board targeted rate on short term residential properties. Firstly not all so called B&B properties are the same. Some offer whole house rentals, others only one room. Some are houses with three or more attached units – more or less self contained. All of this is overseas money attracted into the country and Coromandel that would not come to motels.

Some properties are offered for a short time each year and the \$200.00 would basically take away the incentive to bother at all. Others are available all year. It is unfair to target all these widely varying situations the same.

Secondly the B&B visitor is not a motel client. Many B&B visitors are overseas travelers who are not attracted to motel style accommodation. They are looking for the personal contact with a host in his or her own home.

Thirdly B&B owners typically do not rely on council provided information services at all. They attract internet clients who do their own research and booking totally on line. Clients tend to know what they want to do in the area before they get on the plane to come here. Fourthly rural B&B clients do not put any significant call on council services, as would visitors to motels in serviced communities or towns.

Lastly, council should make a clear distinction between what are in reality multiunit accommodation businesses and retired people making a little extra money so as to better provide for their old age. Government makes this distinction by not taxing some proportion of money earned by householders renting rooms out, yet the proposed charge would take away from this tax advantage.

It is probably fair to say that B&B owners do not seek council assistance with developments within the district, and so may not welcome councils economic development spend.

Having said all this the question for council is whether the B&B sector benefits from the economic development spend, and to what extent relative to the motel sector. On that score it cannot be argued that B&B visitors do not benefit, and generally in a similar way to motel visitors. However, council should not impose a carelessly conceived tax on retired people. The issues is how should council balance the benefits to a twenty room motel offering accommodation fifty two weeks of the year, versus a part time one room rental by a retired couple for a few weeks only. If council is determined to proceed with some form of taxing B&B owners, it needs to scale the tax to the number of rooms let, and the proportion of the year each room is available to let. If that is too difficult I suggest you confine yourselves to properties with two or more rooms let out, and leave the single room renters alone.

Broadband: The economic development strategy seems not to include boadband development at all yet council is already involved in improving services, with my wholehearted approval. Provision of functional broadband service to all parts of the district seems to me to be the single most pressing and important development to allow residents and small businesses to drive their own economic development. Increasingly these days businesses cannot hope to survive without this, in part because of the enthusiasm with which people worldwide have embraced the internet as their preferred means of searching for goods and services and for buying or booking them. The international accommodation sector is largely internet based now, with no other means of access!

Internet access these days is in the nature of a strategic infrastructural resource, every bit as essential to small businesses as roads, water supplies etc. In recent years there has been a boom in small rurally based businesses bringing visitors and money into the district – all at no direct cost to the community. Servicing the

large and growing number of grass roots businesses is one of the most important activities council can undertake to directly foster business growth. This growth is directly threatened wherever the Chorus system is unable to cope with the volume of business, and this is very directly hindering small rural business growth.

I am aware of the efforts council is now making to address this issue, but for some of us as we are not even on any kind of Chorus priority list we cannot even get in line! Council must take another look at this issue if rural development initiatives are not to wither away through simply lack of ability to get to the business start line.

I support the efforts being made by Council to facilitate internet improvements, and wish to see those efforts appropriately supported. As part of that support Ccouncil should ensure that it is in a position to implement local funding initiatives such as targeted rates, with a minimum of bureaucracy. To that end I ask that the Long Term Plan specifically include this activity area as a key part of its economic development plan, and foreshadow the use of targeted rates to speed up internet simprovements outside of built up areas.

Boat Launching Charges: I note with disappointment that a previous council blinked, when faced with the difficulty of levying boat launching charges on boat ramp users. The logic of doing so is overwhelming obvious. What interest can a pensioner with no boat have in helping people well healed enough to own and operate a power boat in provision of ramps, trailer parking and harbour safety systems. A previous council set up such a complicated system in an attempt to catch absolutely everyone that it became top heavy and unworkable. I would like council to have another go at this, but keep it simple. You don't have to catch absolutely every boat launching, every time. Just have contracted staff on boat ramps during high use weekends to take fees as boats approach the launch area.

Local Services: I agree that the stated local services should be decided on and funded locally. I therefore agree that public toilets should be funded locally, as should cemeteries. I note here in this last regard that increasingly people are choosing not to use whole body burial, but rather to scatter ashes where ever. In my recent past four family members have had their ashes spread either at sea or in some fondly remembered area. I'm not sure, therefore, why I should be paying for cemeteries at all.

Funding Essential Services: Once again council proposes the age old switcheroo on funding essential services. I may be being cynical, but it seems that whenever a small community need the construction of any essential service councils finds it essential to apply user pays, define an "area of benefit", and levy everyone in that area. However, when a larger community needs the same commitment suddenly council is worried about the ability of people to pay, and makes the case that the

community as a whole needs to chip in. Council is now proposing to put stormwater under the "whole of district" basis as well as other services already included.

The result of switching back and forward like this is that some communities pay for their own services AND contribute towards those of others. This is really unfair. It is also unfair to rural people who have had to provide their own water and wastewater systems without help from anyone, but under a general rate funding system we will have to help pay for town capital works as well.

I do not agree with the rather meaningless logic that everybody in our community, regardless of there they live, should have equitable access to (these) services based on need. How does this apply to rural ratepayers? How can we get "equitable access"? The only logical conclusion to be drawn from this piece of PR is that rural ratepayers have no equity in these services and therefore no access. Why then should we pay anything?

And before any urban councilors think that rural people somehow get off scott free I point out that a modern stand alone sewage system costs upwards of \$25,000 plus, together with annual maintenance. If we can pay why can't town ratepayers pay?

I therefore strongly object to any change from the status quo for stormwater, and want the funding for all essential services to be reverted to area of benefit.

Te Wao Whakamaumahratanga: Sympathetic as I am with this project I am struggling to see why this is a ratepayer issue. Enhancing the environment of the Coromandel is meaningless in this case given the huge natural forest reserves already all around us. If enhancing the natural environment was Council's intention you would do far more for the environment by removing all noxious and nuisance plant pests within our urban areas and along the Thames coast.

Besides, there are already a multitude of good environmental initiatives on the peninsular already, Thames Coast Protection Society, Forest and Bird, Kauri 2000, Whenuakite Kiwi Sanctuary to name but four. They already have "feet on the ground" and are more worthy of community support than an entirely new initiative by council.

Apart from all this, memoralizing WW I soldiers is an established fact in Whitianga with its soldiers memorial park in the middle of town, and in many other towns and public halls elsewhere in the district. In my submission this is a misdirected, if sincere, impulse that cannot find support anywhere in the Long Term Plan's general objective or principles.

I regret that I cannot support this as a council initiative.

Investigations:

- 1. Local government re-organisation. There is already considerable cooperation and resource sharing between regional and territorial government in the Waikato. I support this, and adoption of any new initiatives where the regional council can more rationally and cost effectively do once what currently is done by thirteen separate district and city councils.
- 2. Sub-regional aquatic Centre: I support this project, and Thames is the logical place for a sub-regional facility. I caution council however concerning a long running series of investigations and design studies. For my money simply decide whether to do it or not, and just get on with it.
- 3. Coromandel Harbour Facilities: I strongly support this initiative, and the objectives listed in the consultation document. This harbour has suffered perhaps more than most from the ravages of early European era land clearance and mining. It once hosted an astounding native shell fishery, but it is sadly no more, being over fished and smothered in thick deposits of mud. Notwithstanding this the harbour supports an important range of activities, and is the natural sea link with Auckland. I can see nothing but good coming from good quality improvements to its shore facilities, and an all tide access into Fureys Creek. Dredging a channel into Fureys Creek is doubtless an issue that will divide the town, with many concerned about the wisdom of disturbing contaminant laden sediment on the harbour floor. With appropriate on shore separation and disposal, however, I see no compelling reason to hold back.
- 4. Water Conservation And Demand Management: I strongly support this project also, and urge on council the wisdom and effectiveness of water metering. Property by property metering would enable council to charge on a proper user pays basis. Council could also use the water "in" metering to each property as a basis for charging for sewage, rather than counting pans and other such means of guessing actual use. Those who use water wastefully would pay for that, and those who do not will get lower water and sewage charges. This incentivises conservation, and that is a good thing. I also point out that a number of residents in Whitianga for instance have and maintain their own wells for the likes of garden watering. They should be rewarded for this. Many holiday homes use water very infrequently and they should not have to subsidize permanent residents. Those in retirement and on fixed incomes can gain the reward of water conservation with lower water bills. Dripping taps would no longer be ignored. A comprehensive water metering system would also enable council to pinpoint where their reticulation system was leaking and how badly. For those on low incomes the oneoff costs for installation of metering can be factored onto water bills over a number of years.
- 5. Coromandel A Heritage Region. I feel that technology has rendered this sort of image boosting and branding obsolete. Local government history is littered with attempts to create a point of difference, a unique marketing advantage, a memorable slogan, whatever. The internet has largely removed any benefits such

branding ever had. Visitors do not visit an area of New Zealand because the local council calls its area this or that. The only value council can make in this area is to provide whatever support it wishes to give to individuals and organizations developing their own attractions.

Lastly, I don't know whether I wish to be heard or not , but I will say that I do so that I keep that option open.

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Yes, I agree that residents in a retirement village who don't qualify for the central government rates rebate because of how they own their homes should be given a rates remission.

We are proposing that all second dwellings of 50 square metres or less (i.e. "Granny Flats") will receive a rates remission (refund) of 50% of their fixed rates charges (e.g. UAGC, water charges).

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Do you agree with our proposal to give a rates remission to all second dwellings of 50 square metres or less?

Yes, I agree with giving a rates remission to second dwellings of 50 square metres or less.

We are proposing a new fee for the Hahei Park and Ride, and to extend fees for Mercury Bay boat ramps and trailer parking areas to all upgraded boat ramp areas.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 25 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with the proposed fees for the Hahei Yes, I agree with the fees for the Hahei Park and Park and Ride and for Mercury Bay boat ramps and Ride and for Mercury Bay boat ramps and trailer trailer parking?

We are proposing that the Thames Community Board make additional investment in economic development to be funded from the targeted local rate in the Thames Community Board Area at a total cost of \$140,000. The proposal, which is for the first 3 years of the Long Term Plan includes:

- A new position to promote Thames at a cost of \$90,000 a year
- An additional \$50,000 per year to facilitate economic development in the area. Information relating to this guestion can be found on page 26 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with the proposed additional investment in economic development in the **Thames Community Board Area?**

Yes, I agree with both of the additional measures taken to support economic development in the Thames Community Board Area at a total cost of \$140,000 per year.

We are proposing that the Whangamata Community Board accelerates their current gradual programme of footpath construction and kerbing and channel to key roads so that the programme is completed in years 1 and 2 of the Long Term Plan.

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We are proposing a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway. This would be a project funded by Whangamata Community Board ratepayers and would support economic development.

Information relating to this guestion can be found on page 27 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with the proposed consutruction of a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway, to be funded locally by Whangamata Community **Board ratepayers?**

Yes, I support the construction of a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway.

We are proposing a series of memorial native forests around the Coromandel Peninsula in order to commemorate the NZ soldiers who died in World War 1.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 27 of the Consultation Document.

Do you support a series of memorial native forests Yes, I support a series of memorial native forests here in the Coromandel?

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Hearing

Hearings will be scheduled for late April.

Would you like to speak at a hearing in support of No your submission?

Please select the option that best describes you. I live in the Thames-Coromandel District

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It is clear the lack of Development Contributions has forced the use of rates to repay the E.S. Wastewater loans with their Australian bank interest, This particular rate should not be levied on ratepayers who provide their own wastewater systems (blue insertion).

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Will the monitoring and collection of the \$200.00 fee eat up any worthwhile income? Have you seen the figures?

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Any rates remission means all other ratepayers have to share the cost. Is that fair on them? The licence to occupy does not cover social housing providers with low income renters. Putting a case to the government about those missing out of the rates rebate would be the Council representing for fairness.

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Do you agree with our proposal to give a rates remission to all second dwellings of 50 square metres or less? Please tell us why.

How many 'granny flats'? Unfair as with the proposed rates remission for licences to occupy.

We are proposing a new fee for the Hahei Park and Ride, and to extend fees for Mercury Bay boat ramps and trailer parking areas to all upgraded boat ramp areas.

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Do you agree with the proposed fees for the Hahei Park and Ride and for Mercury Bay boat ramps and trailer parking?

Yes, I agree with the fees for the Hahei Park and Ride and for Mercury Bay boat ramps and trailer parking.

We are proposing that the Thames Community Board make additional investment in economic development to be funded from the targeted local rate in the Thames Community Board Area at a total cost of \$140,000. The proposal, which is for the first 3 years of the Long Term Plan includes:

- A new position to promote Thames at a cost of \$90,000 a year
- An additional \$50,000 per year to facilitate economic development in the area.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 26 of the Consultation Document .

Do you agree with the proposed additional investment in economic development in the **Thames Community Board Area?**

I only agree with the additional \$50,000 per year, not the new role at a cost of \$90,000 a year.

Do you agree with the proposed additional investment in economic development in the Thames Community Board Area? Please tell us why.

Was the position modelled on the Paeroa one? How will it be evaluated?

We are proposing that the Whangamata Community Board accelerates their current gradual programme of footpath construction and kerbing and channel to key roads so that the programme is completed in years 1 and 2 of the Long Term Plan.

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Do you agree with the proposal that the Whangamata Community Board accelerates their current gradual programme of footpath construction and kerbing and channel to key roads?

Yes, I agree that the Whangamata Community Board accelerates their current gradual programme of footpath construction and kerbing and channel to key roads to be completed in years 1 and 2 of the Long Term Plan.

We are proposing a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway. This would be a project funded by Whangamata Community Board ratepayers and would support economic development.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 27 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with the proposed consutruction of a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway, to Valley walkway and cycleway. be funded locally by Whangamata Community **Board ratepayers?**

Yes, I support the construction of a new Wentworth

We are proposing a series of memorial native forests around the Coromandel Peninsula in order to commemorate the NZ soldiers who died in World War 1.

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Good P.R. needs publicising of detailed planning

Thames - Community Spaces

Further comments on the Thames - Community Spaces activity.

Wharf renewals

Applies to Thames Wharf (Shortland) which is no longer fit for purpose. \$1.77m should not be spent on this facility for the following reasons.

The wharf channel is the Kauaeranga river which consistently brings sediment from forestry disturbance in its headwaters thus raising the river bed and also mangroves encroachment. In the 1980's the mangrove thickets to the east were an open beach

The long channel to the Firth of Thames is extremely shallow like the extensive and growing mudflats that surround it. Only usable at high tides by shallow draft.

Previous Community Boards wanted depreciation costs to cease after the concrete extension had extra costs. Ratepayers have continually subsidised.

The Wharf area has become a commercial area with the two business utilising the extra space for customer parking. Are they paying an appropriate rent which should cover maintenance costs.

The haul-out facility for boats crosses a reserve to service the hard-stand, which appears to have extended its area beyond the area leased from W.R.C by the yacht club.

The rents for the up-stream marina and storage on the hard-stand area should cover any costs for dredging the channel as ratepayers should not subsidise private recreation.

The wharf has minor use (see revenue from harbour master) and would be superseded by up-grading the all-tide boat ramp at Wharf Road, Kopu.

Where is the overview by the Harbour Committee?

Hearing

Hearings will be scheduled for late April.

Would you like to speak at a hearing in support of Yes your submission?

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Yes, I agree that cemeteries should be funded locally.

All information centres are currently funded through a district-wide rate. We are proposing over the next three years that the funding for the Tairua, Pauanui, Whangamata and Coromandel information centres be funded locally by ratepayers in those community board areas and that the Thames and Whitianga information centers remain funded at a district-wide level as they are key visitor information locations for the whole of the Coromandel Peninsula.

Information relating to this guestion can be found on page 21 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to move Tairua, Pauanui Whangamata and Coromandel information centres to local funding over the next three years? district funded.

No, I do not agree. Tairua, Pauanui Whangamata and Coromandel information centres should remain

We are proposing a rates remission (refund) for residents in a retirement village who don't qualify for the central government rates rebate because of how they own their homes.

Information relating to this guestion can be found on page 24 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to give a rate remission to residents in a retirement village who don't qualify for the central government rates rebate because of how they own their homes?

Yes, I agree that residents in a retirement village who don't qualify for the central government rates rebate because of how they own their homes should be given a rates remission.

We are proposing that all second dwellings of 50 square metres or less (i.e. "Granny Flats") will receive a rates remission (refund) of 50% of their fixed rates charges (e.g. UAGC, water charges).

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Mercury Bay - Community Spaces

Further comments on the Mercury Bay - Community Spaces activity.

Civic Centre Upgrade The Mercury Bay Community Board recognises the Civic Centre will require upgrade this is in consideration within year 6.

Destination Boatramp The Mercury Bay Community Board recognises the need for an all tide, multi purpose, well facilitated boat ramp within the Mercury Bay Area.

Hot Water Beach and Hahei The Mercury Bay Community Board recognises that Hot Water Beach and Hahei are two of the districts major tourism destinations and that there is a requirement to improve traffic management around Hot Water Beach and Hahei which may include car parking, pay and display, toilet facilities and associated revenue.

Ferry Landing The Mercury Bay Community Board recognises that Ferry Landing is the oldest operational stone wharf in Australasia. Lotteries funding has allowed the Community to restore the original stonework in 2014/15. Further funding has been investigated to allow for completion of the above ground work.

Roads and Footpaths

Further comments on the Roads and Footpaths activity.

Town Upgrade

- The Mercury Bay Community Board has discussed the extent of the town upgrade looking at the area between The Esplanade and Campbell Street with utilising a Navigational them concentrating on the foreshore and the pedestrian connectivity of the two areas.
- 2 Consideration will be given to a possible reclamation wall that could allow either reserve extension or aquatic activity.

Solid Waste

Further comments on the Solid Waste activity.

Whitianga Refuse Transfer Station The Mercury Bay Community Board recognises the need for an upgraded refuse transfer facility within the Mercury Bay Area

Hearing

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Would you like to speak at a hearing in support Yes of your submission?

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No, I do not agree.

Do you agree with our proposal to move the funding of debt on the Eastern Seaboard wastewater plants from development to rates? Please tell us why

Regarding the proposed change to funding the Eastern Seaboard wastewater plants from rates rather than from future development, moving \$46.6 million of debt repayments from future, to current ratepayers. The argument put forward in the Councils Long Term Plan Consultation Document to establish this change appears to have been made without understanding of, or reference to, the principle of 'intergenerational equity' as described by Local Government New Zealand (LGNZ) where (see attached document): "...each generation that benefits from an investment, such as an investment in a wastewater plant that is expected to serve the commuity for at least 50 years, should contribute to the cost of that service." and where this is best achieved by: "borrowing the cost of the construction of this plant and paying it off during (the term of) its operational life, ensuring that each generation that benefits also contributes." This form of repayment for this type of asset is fair to current ratepayers who may live in the District for only part of the 50 year operational life of a wastewater plant (before moving either through death or relocation). It also ensures that its future capacity is paid for by future

ratepayers through the collection of Development Contributions for up to that 50 year perod, depending on the speed of actual rather than predicted development. The projected life of the Eastern Seaboard wastewater plants is estimated by Council staff as being until 2059 (44 years hence), although their life is really infinite with gradual replacement of all the plants parts over time - and due to the high quality of the treated wastewater they produce, any future resource consent issues will not impede that ifinite life. Hence the Council, if it were to comply with LGNZ recommendations for funding this type of asset, should see no issues or problems in debt funding it for a 50 year period, certainly for at least for the 44 year period regarded by some staff, quite mistakingly, as the full operational life of it. However this logic is not apparent in the Consultation Document (see p.1 5) where the Council argues that when these plants were built in 2006, projections for future growth were much higher than at present, creating an expectation that their future capacity would be paid for by Development Contributions within 10 years - and because that would not now happen, current ratepayers should now pay all their development contributions amounting to a sum of \$46.6 million. The Consultation document is also wrong when it says that moving this \$46.6 million of debt to current ratepayers is justified because new growth projections far lower than those first estimated in 2006 means that it is: ...not financially prudent to expect all of this debt to be repaid by future development prior to the retirement of those assets" (see p. 16). I say this because one must consider fully the implications from the changes introduced in the Councils last Annual Plan (see pages 126-131 of that document) where nearly all the interest cost of \$5.6 million financing future capacity debt in all Council infrastructure (including wastewater) with a total value of \$86.6 million was moved from future development with collection through Development Contributions to current ratepayers through annual rate levys.

OZ The main consequence of this decision (which I do not object to as it creates a necessary 'safety valve' when there is doubt over the speed of development) is that now, all money received from development contributions can be used to directly pay down future capacity debt. So, using the Councils currently very conservative annual growth rate of half a percent (.5%), 28,229 current rateable units and an average Development Contribution fee of \$20,000 (an approxiamate assumption given recent rule changes regarding the collection of development Contributions in the LGA and the Councils reductions of future projects'- see p.17 Consultation Document) then all outstanding future capacity debt can be repaid through the collection of Development Contributions in about 30 years. The logic for this is simple: Current rating units = 28,229 0.5% of these rating units is $141 \times \$20,000 = \2.82 million \$2.82 million x 30.5 years = \$86.010 million Bear in mind that the repayment period of all current future capacity debt over 30 years is consistent with the time frame of most first home property mortgages taken out by private citizens and that it is also consistent with 'best practice' as recommended by LGNZ where long term debt for such infrastructure should be funded by long term debt which may comfortably exceed a 30 year or even 50 year period in creating 'intergenerational equity'. In this light, one must consder the only other option identified by the Council in their consultation document put up as an alternative to moving \$46.6 million of wastewater debt to current ratepayers from future development. This is for the status quo and is argued against in a way that is totally unjustified bearing in mind the above: "The only other option for the Council is to do nothing - the status quo. The rating impact of this option would be to lower the rates increase through-out the ten years of the Plan (for example by 1.8% on average in the 2015/2016 year) but we consider this option to be both finacially imprudent and incorrect. Based onforcasi growth, it would lead to ever accumulating debt, some of which has no realistic chance of being repaid before the plants have reached the end of their lives" (see p.16 of the consultation document, the words in bold are my highlights). As pointed out, based on assumed growth of .5%, the status quo, with the interest on nearly all future capacity debt now being borne by current ratepayers, will not lead to "ever accumulating debt" and the plants will in fact be repaid well before the end their useful lives. To summarise, the Councils consultation document regarding the apparent need to transfer \$46.6 million of debt from future development to current ratepayers, something that must surely be reagarded as a 'significant decision' under the Local Government Act, is deficient in factual analysis and bereft of a genuine cost/benefits analysis, especially bearing in mind the view of LGNZ regarding the creation of Intergenrational equity. Unsurprisingly, the conclusion of the consultation document to reject the 'staus quo' is deficient and laughable. Outcome sought That the Council either reject this proposal out of hand or defer consideration of it to next years Annual Plan through use of the Special Consultaive procedure laid out in the Local Government Act and that in the meantime they analyse all relevant material including what is mentioned above

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Information relating to this question can be found on page 20 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal that we move public toilets from being funded district-wide to being locally funded?

No, I do not agree. Public toilets should remain funded through a district-wide rate.

Do you agree with our proposal that we move public toilets from being funded district-wide to being locally funded? Please tell us why

Submission 4. Regarding the proposal to consider the provision of public toilets as a variable local service funded seperately by each Community Board Area. Public Toilets should constitute a rational District-wide network for tourist and local activity built to a uniform standard of quality. To not do this is to sell the District short on many levels including its potential for economic development through Tourism. Outcome sought Keep public toilets as a District resource built to a consistent standard of quality, constituting a sensible, relaible network throughout the Coromandel Peninsula.

We are proposing a new annual fixed rate of \$200 for all short term accommodation providers (e.g. Bed and Breakfast operators, Book a Bach owners) as a contribution towards economic development expenditure.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 23 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to charge a new annual fixed rate of \$200 for all short term accommodation providers?

No, I do not agree that short term accommodation providers should be charged an annual fixed rate.

Do you agree with our proposal to charge a new annual fixed rate of \$200 for all short term accommodation providers? Please tell us why.

Submission 3. Regarding the introduction of a new rate of \$200 targeted to all residential properties offering short term accomodation. This rate needs to be dropped or at least be better targeted as not all bach owners are competing with Moteliers as assumed in the Councils Consultation document (see p.28). For example, if bach owners make their bach available for permanent rent then they would, but if they made their bach selectively available for rent only over festival weekends such as Beach Hop. the Scallop Festival or Brits on the Beach, then they are not only helping the community when Motels are massively overbooked, but are also assisting with economic development at no cost to the Council by providing necessary accomodation to enable the success of these festivals. Beacause it is technically difficult to exclude a bach owner if they rent only for such things as festival weekends, it would be better to only impose the \$200 rate if annual rental were to exceed \$2,000 (excluding gst) or if baches were listed permantantly with a rental company such as Bach- Care, on Trade Me or with a Real Estate company This figure of \$2,000 would represent a low level of bach rental for which it would be unfair and unwise to tax at 10% unless you 'kill the market' and reduce potential for increased econmic development, especially for District festival events. Also, if people are only renting to recover rates, then it would also seem unwise to further rate them for attempting to do that! Note that the \$2,000 limit would allow most people to recover most of their rates and not provide a disincentive to invest in a bach. That disincentive would exist it if the investment were not at least able to be financially neutral through rates recovery through rent.

Outcome sought That this rate be either dropped or limited to those property owners who earn more than \$2,000 per annum from renting their property with the rate applying to all rental property permanently listed for rental through a broker such as Bach-Care, Trade Me, or a Real Estate agent

Rates/Debt

Further comments on Rates/Debt.

correct use of local government debt to create 'intergenerational equity'. This approach does not appear to be well understood by the TCDC as evidenced by their attempt to transfer all future capacity debt for their Eastern Seaboard wastewater plants from future users to current ratepayers.. Extract: Local government debt - why do councils borrow? There is nothing like the issue of debt to create interest in local government, yet without debt many communities would simply not have the infrastructure that enables them to exist and grow. The real question is not whether councils should have debt or not, but what should debt be used for and how do we determine when debt is too high? Debt and assets: how do councils determine the right level of debt? One of the major questions all councils grapple with is how to pay for capital expenditure - what proportion should be paid by operational income and what proportion should be paid for by debt, whether by bank loan or bond. In answering such questions councils apply the principle of inter-generational equity, which requires that each generation that benefits from an investment, such as an investment in a waste water plant that is expected to serve a community for at least 50 years, should contribute to the cost of that service. One way of doing this is to borrow the cost of the construction of the plant and pay it off during its operational life time, ensuring that each generation which benefits also contributes. But how much debt can a council afford? Councils employ a range of quantifiable thresholds so as to ensure debt levels remain sustainable. The Local Government Act 2002 requires councils to set, in consultation with citizens, financial strategies which include a statement of the local authority's quantified limits on rates, rate increases and borrowing. Financial strategies also outline expected capital expenditure on network infrastructure. In addition they must also adopt 'revenue and financing' policies which dictate how capital expenditure will be funded and 'liability management' policies, which set interest rate exposure, liquidity, credit exposure and debt repayment approaches. Councils must also balance their budgets on an accrual basis unless it is prudent not to. In order to assess whether councils are managing their debt levels LGNZ asked NZIER to look into the question of whether local government was fiscally responsible or not, with particular emphasis on debt. NZIER commented: Local government is generally obliged to balance their budget so debt is not used to fund operational expenditure. This is underpinned by the 'Golden Rule' of fiscal policy. The Golden Rule suggests that Government should only borrow to invest (in relation to local government this refers to investment in infrastructure, such as waste water schemes. rather than stocks and shares and not to fund current spending. This is consistent with intergenerational equity in that any debt inherited by future generations is matched by assets passed on. Debt can be used by local go'. ernment to spread the cost of long lived assets across generations. As a result of the sharp increase in capital spending since the mid-2000s, the sector is making more use of debt. The level of debt is not the problem though. The problem is whether or not the local government sector can deal with the amount of debt it has. To get an understanding for that, two measures can be used; the Gearing ratio - comparing debt to total assets (and) the Interest Cover ratio - comparing the interest being paid on debt with the revenue stream.(See

http://www.lgnz.co,nzlassets/LJp1oadsINZIER-Is-local-government-fiscally-responsible.pdf)

NZIER note that while the gearing ratio has been trending slowly upwards since 2000. As of 2010, the gearing ratio sat at 6.8 per cent, which compared with 30 per cent for central government (see figure 1). (The gearing ratio for 1992 stood at 8 per cent.) NZIER concluded that the level of local government expenditure financed by debt does not appear worryingly high. Figure 1: Gearing ratio: debt to assets (Source NZIER 2012) 70 6c-,-501-11-40, 0:,5040 //LC - Local Goernrn.et Cerra Governent 2000 2002 2004 2006 200S 2010 In relation to the interest cover ratio, NZIER found that councils were consistent with the Golden Rule, with the ratio of revenue being spent on debt servicing in 2011 sitting at 6.4 per cent, see figure 4 (provisional figures for 2013 put the figure closer to 8 per cent). Coincidentally, the Local Government Funding Authority, when assessing funding applications from councils, sets its maximum benchmark for debt servicing at 20% of total revenue. Figure 2: Interest cover ratio Total interest expenditure as a % of total operating revenue 10 9 S 6 4) 1 0 1q93 iJ4 I)20i0 1 Year (endediune)

Why do councils use debt? In their report on local government funding in 2007 the Local Government Rates Inquiry recommended that "local government look favourably on making more use of debt to

finance long- term assets" (Inquiry 2007 P. 21). International research backed the Inquiry's recommendations by showing that councils in both NZ and Australia had comparatively low levels of debt when compared to councils in the rest of the world (UCLG 2011). Councils primarily borrow to fund capital investments, such as the building of infrastructure and amenities that benefit current and future generations. Debt is one way of smoothing the cost of construction over the generations that make use of, or benefit from, the service. It is a way of meeting the principle of 'inter-generational equity.' Inter-generational equity occurs when the costs of an asset are spread over the life-time of that asset and paid for by the generations that benefit from, or consume, that asset. Not only would it be unfair if today's generation paid the full cost of building assets that last for 50 to 100 years, but such investments also tend to be well beyond the capacity of councils to fund out of their operational income alone.

Development Contributions Policy

Further comments on the Development Contributions Policy.

Regarding the level of Development Contributions, So as not to put an undue brake on development due to issues of affordability and to create a 'level playing field' for development demand across the District, no Development Contribution should exceed \$20,000 and 'subsidy' for this should be borne by all the District Ratepayers - not just those on Reticulated wastewater systems as that limitation is not consistent with the logic of creating this subsidy for District-wide economic benefit. Note: That \$20,000 is the average amount mentioned for the affordability of Development Contributions in Submission 1. That in our main urban areas they currently range from \$21,602 in Whitianga to \$40,265 in Whangamata (see p.16 of the Consultation Document). The \$20,000 cap could be moved up to say \$23,000 and still be considered reasonable. Outcome sought That a single Development Conribution should be capped at \$20,000 - \$23,000 using subsidy through a District UAGC so that that assistance for costs associated with this change are shared equally by all current District Ratepayers.

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Mercury Bay - Community Spaces

Further comments on the Mercury Bay - Community Spaces activity.
Toilet block on Buffallo Beach Reserve west end near barbeque and picnic tables along the reserve.
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Tar seal road Black Jack all the way to Opito Bay.
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No, I do not agree that short term accommodation providers should be charged an annual fixed rate.

Do you agree with our proposal to charge a new annual fixed rate of \$200 for all short term accommodation providers? Please tell us why.

We oppose the proposed targeted fixed rate of \$ 200.00 per annum for small bed and breakfast operations. Thames Coromandel District Council (TCDC) proposes to introduce this rate because of a "perceived inequity" between moteliers and short term accommodation providers. Under current regulations operating a small bed and breakfast accommodation is a permitted activity.

We objections are based on the following:

- 1 We object to the local authority changing the rules retrospectively for existing Bed and Breakfast operations;
- We are of the opinion that council is not the correct party to impose economic sanctions or relieve measures to certain parties;
- The dwellings operating as a B&B are fully suitable for human habitation and as such permitted/consented by the local authority. The dwellings are generally not occupied to capacity and not being occupied part of the year actually relieves the pressure on council's infrastructure. The occupation increase as a result of being rented out, only claims council services that are already calculated in when building permit/consent was given;

- 4 When a dwelling is "under-occupied", is TCDC prepared to consider a partial rates refund?;
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Nil in LTP for Hikuai.	
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Further comments on the Stormwater activity.

The development of Kopu appears to us as being in two parts: (a) Southern Kopu There are serious doubts about drainage efficacy even without future development. The ponding area in the surplus land has been destroyed by NZTA earthworks done (or advised as done but not done at all) or playing fast and loose with the Commission's findings. It is certain that the only solution to a drainage problem, made worse by NZTA's works, would be to install a high capacity flood pump fitted into Area A near the Southern floodgate and Area A will need to be dug out to the invert of the main K drain (K8). We estimate that cost as \$3 million dollars and it is required NOW, not 2022/23. Has the Board been advised of our faults list against NZTA & BECA. This sum should be paid by NZTA and NOT by landowners. We feel that a flood which we have not had up until now, due to low rainfall in the June 2014 storm and the Pam cyclone which did not affect Kopu. The relative rainfall on these dates were: 40mm & 50mrrL respectively. The latter falling as soft rain over 12 hours and the former over 3 hours with the tide full out over the rainfall of 3 hours. There are already too many properties untenanted and a flood will get Kopu a bad name.

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Telephone

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Further comments on the Strategic Planning activity.

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TCDC 10 year Plan Submission

2nd April 2015

To whom it may concern,

Regarding the Long Term Plan

At last year's TCDC District Plan submission round Age Concern Thames wrote highlighting the services Age Concern provides, our Thames office establishment and development over the recent two years. Katina Conomos was a key link from TCDC and a keen supporter of what Age Concern Thames provides as a means to implementing aspects of TCDC's Positive Ageing Strategy.

As a result of our submission we received a positive letter from TCDC (see enclosed) addressed to the Service Co-ordinator of Age Concern Thames.

Since our submission we have further progressed the standalone establishment of Age Concern Thames and have a well-established Accredited Visitor Service in Thames (entirely run on volunteers) and have since started Accredited Visitor Services in Whitianga and are focussing on Coromandel.

Our services (based from Thames office) cover the TCDC and Hauraki District Council areas.

We write this letter to highlight the valuable service we believe we provide primarily through volunteer coordination to far reaching isolated communities across the TCDC area. We continue to develop these support services.

We originally wrote in 2014 seeking financial support for our Service Co-ordination function within the community and wrote in our original letter that we propose a 3 year commitment from TCDC to the value of 25% of our operating costs equating to \$13,315 per annum.

We understand Community Boards may play a stronger role in funding allocation for local communities however point out that our services cover a number of towns within the TCDC area and respectfully request you give consideration to supporting us through a "top slice" or "across TCDC" fund. It would seem pointless to approach a number of individual Community Boards for services we provide across the entire district.

We are happy to speak in person to this submission as part of the Long Term Plan process.

We look forward to your reply.

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Kind regards,

Jenny Wolf, Chair Age Concern Thames

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Internal reference: Submitter #48

Julia Monrad Age Concern 609 Mackay Street Thames 3500

11 April 2015

Dear Julia

Thank you for your submission to our draft 2014/2015 Annual Plan.

We are very pleased to announce we have managed to achieve a district average rate increase of only 2.21%. In this new term (since elections in October 2013), the Council continues to commit to prudence. Council is signalling that economic development initiatives that were in the planning phases are now ready to go and we are making resources available to be able to complete these plans. Council would like to finish this current term by holding average rates at 2010/2011 levels. Meaning average rate rise over 6 years (two terms of Council) would be zero, while still having completed some big projects. That is Council's goal and we have achieved another step towards this goal with the 2014/2015 Annual Plan.

While this is an average figure, meaning some rates will be lower, some higher, this is all part of our journey to reduce costs while delivering quality services. You can get an indication of your rates for the 2014/2015 year on line through our Rates Information Database by going to www.tcdc.govt and going to the top of the web page "everything A to Z" and go to "R" for Rates Information Database. This database has been updated to include the 2014/2015 Annual Plan figures.

We received 171 submissions which provided valuable feedback about our proposed work programme and budgets. A summary of the feedback received and the decisions we have made at the deliberations on the draft 2014-2015 Annual Plan is attached for you.

In your submission you specifically requested that the Council:

Consider a 3 year commitment of a contribution of financial support for Age Concern Thames Coromandel to be put into the 2015/16 Annual Plan.

At its deliberations for the Annual Plan, Council considered all submissions and determined to work with the Age Concern over the course of the next six months to consider what the mutual benefits of a service level agreement would be, to inform any decision as part of the 2015-2025 Long Term Plan. This decision was made for the reasons that:

Having had initial conversations with the Age Concern, Council believe there is definitely

merit in pursuing a more formal relationship. The resource implications for Council (both personnel and funding) need to be considered further.

As part of the 2015-2025 Long Term Plan Council will consider its future direction of how the Council will support social development across the district and locally.

As part of the initial direction setting workshops held on the 16th and 17th of July for the 2015-2025 Long Term Plan, Council has indicted that it wants a review of its district service level agreements for the social development activity. Unfortunately it is too early in the process to give you any certainty around what levels of service Council will look to provide for the social development activity.

We will keep you informed as this process continues; you will also be able to make formal submissions to the draft Long Term Plan in March 2015. If you have any further questions please contact Angela Jane, Manager Governance Support on 868 0200 or angela.jane@tcdc.govt.nz.

For further information on community grants please contact our newly appointed Activity Manager, Angela Jane on 07 868 0200.

If you would like further information on the decisions made, the decisions can be viewed online at www.tcdc.govt.nz under "Annual Plans', or please feel free to request a copy from the Council offices.

The adopted Annual Plan is available for viewing on our website at www.tcdc.govt.nz and can also be obtained from Council Service Centres by request.

If you would like further information or assistance, please contact Ross Ashby, Strategic Planner on (07) 868 0200 or email ross.ashby@tcdc.govt.nz

Again, we thank you for your contribution to our planning process.

Yours sincerely,

Glenn Leach

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We are proposing a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway. This would be a project funded by Whangamata Community Board ratepayers and would support economic development.

Information relating to this guestion can be found on page 27 of the Consultation Document.

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No, I do not agree. Tairua, Pauanui Whangamata

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People like to know what is available before they get to Whitianga.

Many visitors to Whangamata, Tairua, Hahei never go near Thames or Whitianga, so their only source of information is the local areas. Especially Tairua as it is on the main road and easily found. Council should contribute funding.

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Need more information

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Further comments on the Strategic Planning activity.

I have had a life-time interest in the arts, in particular, classical music, and have trained as a classical music pianist and teacher.

It is vitally important that all the arts, from theatre to visual arts, dance and music be encouraged to perform in our district so that as many people as possible will enjoy the benefits. For many years I organised the Whitianga Music Society which brought music to Whitianga audiences, and which always operated on a small scale owing to funding difficulties. The Society became absorbed into Creative Mercury Bay which has successfully carried out large-scale projects, but again these projects, like any event - whether sporting or carnival or festival - need adequate funding.

The township of Whitianga, unlike Thames, has no large-scale venue suitable for concerts, theatre and dance recitals. With the growth and development of the town, it is surely time to consider the possibilities of establishing such a building which would give a home to all the art groups here, which would encourage many other artists and musicians to visit, and which grace the township.

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THE ARTS:

The 2015-2025 plan does not mention the Arts which are proving to be an important draw for visitors to the region. We note that many organizations, individual artists, restaurants and other venues already present an attractive variety of events.

Economic Development

Further comments on the Economic Development activity.

[Events calendar]

The 2015-2025 plan does not mention the Arts which are proving to be an important draw for visitors to the region. We note that many organizations, individual artists, restaurants and other venues already present an attractive variety of [Arts] events. We find that often we hear of something that we would have liked to go to after it has happened. We have noted through the annual Mercury Bay Art Escape tours that many folk plan their visit to the area to coincide with specific events and think that many of these events and exhibitions would draw in more people if there was a continually updated Coromandel wide EVENT CALENDAR published each week in the weekly papers and available on line. The most useful event calendar - including all Events sports as well as arts - could be managed digitally. People could submit an on line form including Name of event, brief description, location, hours, open and closing dates. This would be free. Adding additional promo material such as photographs and extended text would be charged. Council funding could be directed to the establishment of the system with the additional promo material providing ongoing costs.

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Mercury Bay - Community Spaces

Further comments on the Mercury Bay - Community Spaces activity.

Grange Road and Cathedral Cove

The 2015-2025 Long Term Plan makes no mention of the continued problem of parking for visitors to Cathedral Cove. In our view this immediate and longstanding problem is best solved by creating access to the Cathedral Cove area via Lees Rd and establishing a capacious, pay parking lot with associated toilets and adequate directional signage. Whether or not there is eventually a comprehensive park and park and ride plan for walkways in the area this is a necessary first step. Visitors are put off by the present situation as are the residents of the area who watch a continuous parade of cars and campervans who go up and then immediately down the hill due to the parking area at the Grange Rd lookout being full.

Roads and Footpaths

Hearing

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Do you agree with our proposal that we move public toilets from being funded district-wide to being locally funded?

Yes, I agree that public toilets should be funded locally.

Cemeteries are currently paid for by a district-wide rate. We are proposing that these facilities should be paid for by ratepayers within each of the local community board areas as these are a local service.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 20 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal that we move cemeteries from being funded district-wide to being locally funded?

Yes, I agree that cemeteries should be funded locally.

All information centres are currently funded through a district-wide rate. We are proposing over the next three years that the funding for the Tairua, Pauanui, Whangamata and Coromandel information centres be funded locally by ratepayers in those community board areas and that the Thames and Whitianga information centers remain funded at a district-wide level as they are key visitor information locations for the whole of the Coromandel Peninsula.

Information relating to this guestion can be found on page 21 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to move Tairua, Pauanui Whangamata and Coromandel information and Coromandel information centres should remain centres to local funding over the next three years? district funded.

No, I do not agree. Tairua, Pauanui Whangamata

Do you agree with our proposal to move Tairua, Pauanui Whangamata and Coromandel information centres to local funding over the next three years? Please tell us why

Kopu centre only

We are proposing a new annual fixed rate of \$200 for all short term accommodation providers (e.g. Bed and Breakfast operators, Book a Bach owners) as a contribution towards economic development expenditure.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 23 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to charge a new annual fixed rate of \$200 for all short term accommodation providers?

No, I do not agree that short term accommodation providers should be charged an annual fixed rate.

Do you agree with our proposal to charge a new annual fixed rate of \$200 for all short term accommodation providers? Please tell us why.

We do not agree or support this proposal when considering the below reasons

- 1 The new annual fixed rate of \$200 does not meet with TCDC principles of FAIRNESS & EQUITY when comparing a BnB room paying \$200 and a Motel room paying \$65.00.
- 2 The income vs expense of renting out a room does in no way meet the term liveable income, rather it helps in a small way to top up an income which enables people to take up a lifestyle in the Coromandel.
- 3 Employment opportunities in the Coromandel are low with mostly seasonal jobs in the retail sector and these jobs are often taken by students wanting work during the summer break at the expense of local mature residents.
- 4 We say the BnB & Bach owners contribute to ED (Economic Development) through providing work for all the trades Builders, Plumbers, Electricians, including light industry businesses, eg, flooring, windows, landscaping etc, then its the recommending of Café's, Clubs, Restaurants and attractions for visitors to spend their money. Some of those businesses are reliant on to remain solvent throughout the year.
- 5 The proposed fixed rate of \$200 will drive Book a bach and BnB's owners underground, they will not advertise through the real estate operators who vet the people wanting to rent, ensuring they book a minimum of 5 nights and avoid the problems of the past where young groups of teenagers books for one or two nights and party up causing noise, damage and no regard for local residents or neighbours.
- 6 Whangamata has a large amount of accommodation available. Events, like Beach Hop (100,000), Pohutakawa Festival, the Summer Xmas season (60,000), Multi Sports Events, Fun Run, Brits

- at the Beach and more, require rental accommodation to accommodate the competitors and visitors, the motels are all full during these times and without the bach & BnB owners to pick up the balance the events would not be a success. Whangamata has this unique ability with over 3200 bachs available for rent at times.
- How will this be policed, and there is the fear of what next, will this fee increase year on year, we have already have substantial targeted rates for ED, EW & WRC Mangroves. Council need to remove this fixed charge and rethink their ED strategy.

We are proposing that Bed and Breakfast operators with four or more rooms for hire be reclassified as commercial properties.

Information relating to this guestion can be found on page 23 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to reclassify Bed and Breakfast operators with four or more rooms for hire as commercial properties?

No, I do not agree. Bed and Breakfast operators with four or more rooms for hire should not be reclassified as commercial properties.

Do you agree with our proposal to reclassify Bed and Breakfast operators with four or more rooms for hire as commercial properties? Please tell us why

We do not agree or support with this proposal when considering the below reasons .

- 1 The term for commercial operators refers to large operators and 4 room BnB's do not fall into that term either by size or income received.
- We would recommend relooking at the LARGE BnB operators which would more likely to be 6 rooms or more with incomes that may match Motel type operations

We are proposing a rates remission (refund) for residents in a retirement village who don't qualify for the central government rates rebate because of how they own their homes.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 24 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to give a rate remission to residents in a retirement village who don't qualify for the central government rates rebate because of how they own their homes?

Yes, I agree that residents in a retirement village who don't qualify for the central government rates rebate because of how they own their homes should be given a rates remission.

We are proposing that all second dwellings of 50 square metres or less (i.e. "Granny Flats") will receive a rates remission (refund) of 50% of their fixed rates charges (e.g. UAGC, water charges).

Information relating to this question can be found on page 24 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to give a rates remission to all second dwellings of 50 square metres or less?

Yes, I agree with giving a rates remission to second dwellings of 50 square metres or less.

We are proposing that the Whangamata Community Board accelerates their current gradual programme of footpath construction and kerbing and channel to key roads so that the programme is completed in years 1 and 2 of the Long Term Plan.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 26 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with the proposal that the Whangamata Community Board accelerates their current gradual programme of footpath construction and kerbing and channel to key roads?

Yes, I agree that the Whangamata Community Board accelerates their current gradual programme of footpath construction and kerbing and channel to key roads to be completed in years 1 and 2 of the Long Term Plan.

We are proposing a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway. This would be a project funded by Whangamata Community Board ratepayers and would support economic development.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 27 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with the proposed consutruction of a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway, to be funded locally by Whangamata Community Board ratepayers?

Yes, I support the construction of a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway.

Do you agree with the proposed consutruction of a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway, to be funded locally by Whangamata Community Board ratepayers? Please tell us why.

Agree with Wentworth Valley Walk Cycleway, however should be funded District Wide but under Economic Development and not by local ratepayers.

We are proposing a series of memorial native forests around the Coromandel Peninsula in order to commemorate the NZ soldiers who died in World War 1.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 27 of the Consultation Document .

Do you support a series of memorial native forests here in the Coromandel?

Yes, I support a series of memorial native forests here in the Coromandel.

Hearing

Hearings will be scheduled for late April.

Would you like to speak at a hearing in support of No your submission?

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From: Jan Dunlop [janmdunlop@gmail.com] Sent: Monday, April 06, 2015 6:16:40 PM

To: TCDC General Mail Address

Subject: New Rate Targeting Short Term Accommodation Providers

I wish to make a submission opposing the introduction of the above.

My neighbour lives at Hahei permanently. Our property is occupied possibly 5 months of the year for personal use and short term

rental. We use far less services and facilities than a permanent residence!!

How could you justify a \$200 new rate for us when our occupancy is so low compared to the permanent residence?

By renting our property more visitors can enjoy Hahei and spend money locally at the restaurants, shop ,garage and gift shop.

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From: Penelope Ridings [pennyridings@yahoo.com]

Sent: Monday, April 06, 2015 8:11:13 PM

To: TCDC General Mail Address

Subject: Long Term Plan for Coromandel: Waikato Biodiversity Forum

Submission on 2015-2025 Long Term Plan

I am writing on behalf of the Mana Manu Trust, a community group of landowners in Whangapoua which was established to rid our area of introduced pests so that kiwi may eventually return to the area.

We recently held our AGM, during which the Trust members expressed their support for the work that the Waikato Biodiversity Forum does in informing community conservation groups of events and action that we can take to preserve and enhance biodiversity in our area. Our concern is that the removal of the Natural and Cultural Activity stream in the TCDC 2015-2025 Long Term Plan appears to have the consequence that the Waikato Biodiversity Forum would no longer receive funding from TCDC.

As a community group committed to biodiversity protection, we consider that the Forum should continue to be supported. It provides us with valuable information and education on biodiversity programmes as well as strategies to deal with pests through baiting regimes, and to halt Kauri dieback disease, which is not yet present on our properties, but which is in the neighbouring Whangapoua forest. The Long Term Plan needs to rely on community groups to pursue the objectives of the TCDC - to make the Coromandel New Zealand's most desirable place to live, work and visit. Community groups such as ours need, in turn, to rely on activities such as the Waikato Biodiversity Forum where we can obtain advice and assistance in pursuing biodiversity aims.

The Trust hopes that the TCDC will reconsider this aspect of the Long Term Plan.

Yours sincerely

Penny Ridings Secretary, Mana Manu Trust From: Arthur Hinds [hindsaw@gmail.com] Sent: Tuesday, April 07, 2015 9:19:05 AM

To: TCDC General Mail Address

Subject: Submission to Long Term Plan

On behalf of the Whenuakite Kiwi Care Group I would like to submit to the TCDC Long Term Plan. As a conservation group we have been heavily involved in protecting biodiversity values since 2000 and our submission is based around ensuring that the TCDC plays its role to protect what we see as an essential part of this region.

Our understanding is that there is a requirement in the Regional Policy Statement that the TCDC develops a Biodiversity Strategy for its area. We are concerned that there is no reference to a planned strategy in the LTP .This region has high biodiversity values and they need to be protected in a meaningful manner on a longterm basis.

We would like to see this added to the LTP.

We are also concerned that it appears that the TCDC has removed the Natural and Cultural Heritage activity stream as the LTP has been reviewed. This we believe, has serious implications for the funding that was provided for the Biodiversity Forum on an annual basis. This forum plays an essential role in providing information to and linking with community groups through the Waikato region. Without these community groups biodiversity values will decline putting at risk even more of our native species.

The Whenuakite Kiwi Care group believes that it is essential that the TCDC continues to support the work of the Biodiversity Forum as we believe its previous record speaks for itself. In our view ratepayers get extremely good value from the \$3000:00 that the TCDC contributes. Bearing in mind that volunteers do the bulk of the conservation work in this area- our group puts in 1800 hours of volunteer time per annum-and as Al Morrison - the previous Director General of DOC stated " for every \$1 put into conservation volunteers add \$4 to \$5 " we consider that we get very good value from the Biodiversity Forum.

We request that funding for the Biodiversity Forum be continued.

Thank you for considering our submission.

Arthur Hinds Chair, Whenuakite Kiwi Care Group. 7-4-15



Submission to

Thames Coromandel District Council 2015 - 2025 Long Term Plan

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We would like to speak to our submission



Recommendations

- That Council appoint a staff member with specific responsibility for consideration of disabled people"s issues within the wider context of Council"s responsibility to it"s community.
- Council research the current availability of accessible homes and tourist
 accommodation, likely increase in such accommodation under the
 current District Plan, likely demand for such accommodation and
 consider how best to amend the district plan to address any shortfall
 that my be identified.

With respect to access to public buildings we recommend

- Ensuring that a percentage of staff involved with compliance issues have Barrier Free Trust certification.
- Council buildings be upgraded to modern access standards as exemplars to the wider community.
- Consultation channels with the disability sector be developed that allow access concerns to be identified and appropriate action taken. CCS Disability Action"s experience is that many access issues are resolved quickly once brought to the attention of building owners.
- There is an opportunity to improve access by stricter enforcement of emergency evacuation provisions for places of public assembly.

With a reported 27% of residents over 65 we recommend adding to the LTP 30 year Infrastructure Strategy document a further bullet point in section 6.4 as follows:

Persons with disabilities, including the elderly, will represent an
increasing proportion of our population. This will require additional
expenditure to upgrade pedestrian infrastructure to ensure it remains fit
for purpose as the needs of the population change.

We recommend TCDC review all its 83 public toilets and upgrade them as necessary to provide for those with disabilities.



With respect to parks and reserves we recommend.

- that the use of loose fill surfaces for children"s playgrounds be
 discontinued, in favour of the other surface alternatives and that where
 loose fill material has been used, a programme be instituted to replace
 it with a universally accessible safety surface.
- that signage and other information be made available in various formats so that people with vision impairment, and others, have equal access to the information.

We recommend Council work with the community, including persons with disabilities, to ascertain whether at least a limited accessible public transport service could be provided between the main centers.



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Appendix 1: Pedestrian Routes



1 About Us

CCS Disability Action is one of the largest disability services providers in New Zealand. We have been advocating for people with disabilities since 1935. Today, our organisation has a strong disabled leadership and human rights focus.

CCS Disability Action has a National Office and regional management structure, and provides services nationally from sixteen incorporated societies to about 5,000 people of all ages and with a range of impairments.

2 Introduction

Individuals have impairments, which include physical, sensory, neurological, psychiatric, and intellectual disabilities. Disability occurs when one group of people create barriers by designing a world only for their way of living, taking no account of the impairments other people have.

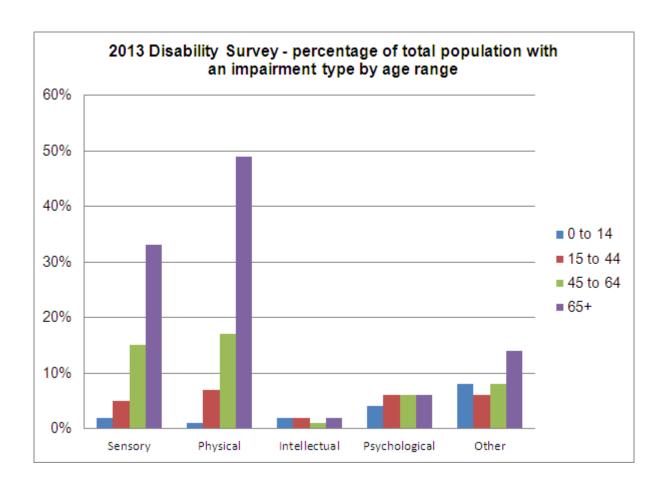
Underpinning the New Zealand Disability Strategy is a vision of a fully inclusive society. New Zealand will be inclusive when people with impairments can say they live in, "a society that highly values our lives and continually enhances our full participation". Collaborative relationships between central, regional and local government and the disability community are central to ensuring this vision becomes reality.

The Statistics New Zealand 2013 Disability Survey states that approximately 1 in 4 New Zealanders self identify with some form of impairment. Furthermore, the incidence of disability increases rapidly with age.



Accessibility issues affect everyone at some time in their life. We all experience different levels of mobility, sometimes due to temporary causes such as injury, pregnancy or sickness.

An issue we often face is that some people do not always recognise the full range of disabilities in the community. Although people with intellectual and psychological impairments are less common than those with sensory of mobility impairments, they do comprise a significant proportion of our population as shown on the following chart.



Article 9 of the UN Convention on the Rights of People with Disabilities requires that "States Parties shall take appropriate measures to ensure people with disabilities, **access**, **on an equal basis with others**, to the physical environment, transportation, information and communications, communications technologies and systems, and other facilities and services



open or provided to the public, both in urban and rural areas. These measures, which shall include the identification and elimination of obstacles and barriers to accessibility, shall apply to, inter alia (a) Buildings, roads, transportation..." (Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities) The Convention was ratified by New Zealand on 26th September 2008.

3 Disabled Persons Representation

We believe that Thames Coromandel District Council, TCDC, deserves congratulation on its efforts to engage with the disability community. By working with CCS Disability Action, significant access concerns in all the significant population centres have been identified in the Street Accessibility Audits completed in partnership with Taylored Accessibility Solutions.

Although it may be some time before the recommendations are fully implemented, an important aspect of these audits has been the establishment between Council, Community Boards and the disability community heralds the way for a more collaborative approach to improving access and safety for those with disabilities. Persons with disabilities wish to be involved in our communities, participate in everyday community activities and contribute to society.

To maintain the momentum we recommend Council also appoint a staff member with specific responsibility for consideration of disabled people's issues within the wider context of Council's responsibility to it's community. This would show meaningful commitment to TCDC's core values of empathy, compassion, and fairness when making decisions about how activities should be funded.

4 Accessibility in Thames Coromandel District.

CCS Disability Action has been privileged to work with TCDC on its early roll out of Street Accessibility Audits, and has recently taken the opportunity to evaluate the outcomes of its earlier audits. A copy of our evaluation report is



included as an attachment to this submission. As there is normally some time between receipt of an audit report and the implementation of its recommendations, we have noted improvements in communication methods when work is undertaken may be necessary.

We believe TCDC's recognition of roads and footpaths as one of five essential services is important. However there is very little detail included in the public consultation documents. Whilst we can understand the sentiments behind public consultation on the basis of much simpler documents than has previously been the case, we do believe they should include more meaningful commitment to persons with disabilities and the elderly. With a reported 27% of residents over 65 we recommend adding to the LTP 30 year Infrastructure Strategy document a further bullet point in section 6.4 as follows:

Persons with disabilities, including the elderly, will represent an
increasing proportion of our population. This will require additional
expenditure to upgrade pedestrian infrastructure to ensure it remains fit
for purpose as the needs of the population change.

We fully support Council in its commitment to management based on quality information. However it is unfortunate that although the quality of information may be excellent, it may not always cover everything that is important to the community. In this regard we believe particular attention should be paid to collecting quality information with respect to not only the movement of persons with disabilities, including the elderly, in the community, but also whether they can safely leave their places of residence as pedestrians to participate in society as they wish without encountering barriers.

We note that for some population centers there is a reluctance to commit funding to additional footpaths, and that pedestrians and motorized traffic currently share the roadway with no apparent problems. However we do recommend careful monitoring of this situation, particularly if the number of



elderly permanent residents was to increase and they found the lack of suitable footpaths a barrier. TCDC is not unusual in facing the dilemma that although new infrastructure is being built to modern access standards, it is difficult to find funds to upgrade legacy infrastructure to these standards. This is evidenced by, for example, narrow footpaths, the condition of kerb cuts, the lack of tactile pavers, and infrequency of level crossing opportunities with refuges. For information we include as an appendix design details from previous submissions on pedestrian routes.

5 Other Issues Concerning the Disability Sector

5.1 Public Toilet Facilities

TCDC covers an area that is recognised as having outstanding natural beauty and attracts significant numbers of visitors. To be fully inclusive, infrastructure should accommodate the needs of the disabled visitor and we suggest that although local community boards may have a role in allocating some funds, decisions on minimum standards should be made at Council level. For the visitor with a disability, and those caring for them, access to clean and adequate accessible toilet facilities significantly improves their experience.

Such facilities can also double as facilities for young parents and their babies. We realize these can attract anti social behavior but this can be improved by good design and monitored quite cheaply with the use of modern security cameras.

We recommend TCDC review all its 83 public toilets and upgrade them as necessary to provide for those with disabilities.

5.2 Accessible Housing and Tourist Accommodation

Whilst not including the statistics, it is well understood that the numbers of elderly in our communities are rapidly increasing and that in this age group the incidence of disability is significantly higher than for younger people. Councils are in the best position to research data for their populations, including



visitors, and to work out how best to match the housing stock and tourist accommodation to their needs.

Disabled people often require modified homes and accessible accommodation to have maximum independence however it is frequently difficult to find both suitable existing homes and tourist accommodation. We support planning processes that encourage the construction of accessible homes and tourist accommodation in all categories of housing and accommodation. Developers and builders may not immediately recognize the value of buildings that are accessible, and so local authorities have an important role to play in this area.

We therefore recommend Council research the current availability of accessible homes and tourist accommodation, likely increase in such accommodation under the current District Plan, likely demand for such accommodation and consider how best to amend the district plan to address any shortfall that my be identified.

5.3 Public Buildings

While access to new public buildings must meet current standards, there are many older buildings with significant barriers to access, sometimes to the point of them being completely inaccessible. Older shops with steps at their entrances are still being used. Councils can encourage removal of these barriers by providing suitable advice, perhaps unsolicited, to building owners on ways to remove barriers. We recommend:

- Ensuring that a percentage of staff involved with compliance issues have Barrier Free Trust certification.
- Council buildings be upgraded to modern access standards as exemplars to the wider community.
- Consultation channels with the disability sector be developed that allow access concerns to be identified and appropriate action taken. CCS Disability Action"s experience is that many access issues are resolved quickly once brought to the attention of building owners.



 There is an opportunity to improve access by stricter enforcement of emergency evacuation provisions for places of public assembly.

CCS Disability Action believes that all people benefit from improved accessibility not just those living with permanent disability.

5.4 Recreational Opportunities, Parks and Reserves

As TCDC is responsible for several significant townships, some with significant numbers of holiday homes, parks and reserves, including off road walks are a feature enjoyed by many. The condition of access to our parks and reserves is an important part of daily living. However there are some barriers to their use by disabled people, and others, which can often be resolved quite economically. As with footpaths beside our roads, it is important to provide kerb cuts for wheelchair users to access walkways and other facilities. Where paths are not suitable for adaption to provide full disability access, there may be opportunities to enhance the visitor experience for persons with access issues. Details would best be worked out in consultation with the local communities and other interested parties such as DoC, but could, for example include:

- Kauaeranga and Wentworth Valleys. There may be an opportunity to work with other interested parties to develop one or more short wheelchair friendly tracks in these historic areas, and include interpretive panels for visitors.
- Seaside towns fronting beaches. There may be opportunities for establishing all weather footpaths or boardwalks for those who cannot access the beaches.
- Whitianga Passenger Ferry. By working with the operator it may be possible to allow for those dependent on wheelchairs, especially heavy motorized wheelchairs to use this ferry.



When upgrading or building new playgrounds we note the SNZ HB 5828.2:2006: Supervised Early Childhood Facilities - Playground Equipment and Surfacing Handbook allows use of loose fill surface material, which needs to be contained. Unfortunately both the timber walls and the material itself create barriers to many persons with mobility issues entering play areas, denying them the opportunity to supervise children in their care. This is an issue we have taken up with Standards NZ who cannot change the handbook without additional funding. We recommend that the use of loose fill surfaces be discontinued, in favour of the other surface alternatives and that where loose fill material has been used, a programme be instituted to replace it with a universally accessible safety surface.

Good signage can significantly enhance the experience of users, especially visitors from other areas. We recommend that signage and other information be made available in various formats so that people with vision impairment, and others, have equal access to the information. QR codes that can be read by smart phones can provide spoken commentary and hazardous vehicle crossings can be defined by tactile pavers in the same way as used for normal roads.

5.5 Public and community transport services

At a local level there are very limited options for persons who do not hold a drivers license. We recommend Council work with the community, including persons with disabilities, to ascertain whether at least a limited accessible service could be provided between key locations. It is vital that people who do not have independent access to a private vehicle, including disabled people, are provided for in community and public transport services.

6 Conclusions

CCS Disability Action supports the right of disabled people to have good lives. TCDC already has some groups representing persons with disabilities who are helping disabled people at a local level to live as independently as possible, participate in, and contribute to, their communities. As our population ages,



the incidence of disability is rising and it is vital that local authorities and their partners recognise the vital role they have in providing a welcoming and accessible environment that all people can enjoy without barriers. Planning processes and operational activities should be able to demonstrate that all community members requirements are considered and catered for.

Thank you for considering our submission

ATTACHMENT: STREET ACCESSIBILITY AUDIT EVALUATION



APPENDIX 1: PEDESTRIAN ROUTES

"The NZTA Pedestrian Planning Guide recommends a footpath crossfall of 2% to 4%. Crossfall is the sideways slope of the footpath. Some crossfall is required for drainage, but excessive crossfall requires people using wheelchairs and walking frames to use extra energy to resist the sideways forces and maintain a straight line of travel.

We suggest a best practice maximum crossfall of 1% for most pedestrian routes, particularly those which are heavily used. This would guarantee that most people can independently use them. Traditionally, crossfall is used to enable drainage, however, the primary role of pedestrian infrastructure is to enable people to get around their community. Drainage should be a secondary consideration to access. A crossfall of 1% will enable people to retain control of their walking frames with less effort and also users of manual wheelchairs with impaired arm and shoulder function to move around independently without risk of their mobility aid rolling over the gutter and into the roadway. If water can"t be managed with a minimal crossfall on pedestrian routes it should be managed with channels and grates outside the accessible route. Steeper crossfalls, require manual wheelchair users to push their whole body weight with one arm and increase the risk of injury to users of wheeled mobility aids in rainy weather as handles and push rims become slippery and hand grip is easily lost for a second. This can be sufficient to permit the disabled person and their aid to fall over the gutter and into the road.

We recommend that pedestrian crossings are raised to be level with the footpath. A crossing designed in this way means that disabled pedestrians have a flat level journey to cross the road and can do so safely and quickly with no engineered hazards such as kerbs to negotiate. Raised pedestrian beds are safer for people with disabilities and "wheeled pedestrians" and they have the added advantage of slowing vehicular traffic. Currently, many courtesy crossings are designed in this manner.



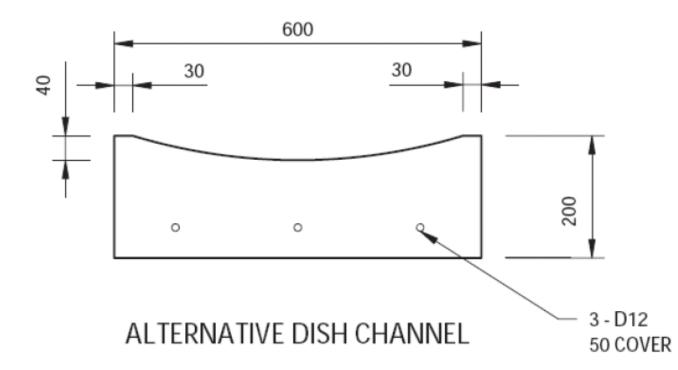
Clear sightlines into all traffic of at least 50m should be maintained for the seated "wheeled pedestrian"

Appropriately positioned and well designed kerb ramps and dish channels are essential to enable people using wheeled mobility aids to safely cross streets and reach their intended destination. Kerb ramps and dish channels should be provided at all crossing opportunities that do not have raised pedestrian beds, such as street corners, mid block on long streets and on both sides of the road at safe crossing points near bus stops so that "wheeled passengers" can safely cross streets without the need for lengthy detours. A flat area should be provided directly adjacent to the kerb ramp, and within reach of the push button at signalised crossing points if present, so that disabled people using wheeled mobility aids can wait safely, until a crossing opportunity arises.

Kerb ramps should have a best practice slope of 1:14 so that as many disabled people as possible are able to use them safely and independently. The general rule is, the steeper the slope, the fewer people that can independently and safely use it.

We suggest that a dish channel is used to provide the connection between the kerb ramp and the road when road crossing opportunities are not provided on raised pedestrian beds.





We do not recommend "v" shaped kerb cuts as they require a three step manoeuvre for the "wheeled pedestrian" to negotiate them. Crossing the road entails a careful, often slow, approach to the first "v" kerb cut, resting rear wheels in the bottom of the "v" with the wheelchair user"s legs in the path of vehicular traffic, then a slow push up the slope created by the road camber, quickly crossing the crown of the road and then slowing while still in the path of vehicular traffic to tackle the "v" shaped kerb cut on the opposite side of the road. Attempts to take the kerb at speed can end in disaster if the (typically small) front wheels of manual & power chairs hit the edge of a kerb and abruptly stop the wheelchair.

We suggest "at grade" pedestrian refuges at all road crossing opportunities as this is one less set of engineered barriers to negotiate when crossing the road

Foliage on any plantings should be no more than 30 cm in height to provide maximum visibility for, and of, the wheeled pedestrian.



Road surfacing material should be milled at the connection between the dish channel and the road so that vertical faces, which could potentially tip wheelchairs and other wheeled mobility aids, are minimised if not totally removed. Vertical faces pose a serious risk to people with mobility needs, particularly wheeled pedestrians. They are a trip hazard to people walking and pose a serious risk of "tipover" to the "wheeled pedestrian" because if they aren"t approached correctly they bring a "wheeled pedestrian" to an extremely abrupt halt, especially when tackled at speed."

Consideration should be given to the possibility of including kerb cuts in short stay parking spaces (ie 10 minute parking) so the footpath is safely accessible to everyone who wishes to use the parking space.

The rationale behind the bright BLUE paintwork on Mobility parking spaces is that the car park space itself stands out, as do users. Reductions in abuse by those not eligible to park in these areas has been significant and enforcement teams at the most recent National Parking Conference commented on this successful initiative and its immediate positive impacts.

We administer the Mobility Parking Scheme for well over 100, 000 users nationally. We are now able to provide reports, on request, detailing the number of Mobility Permit holders in particular townships and cities. We envisage that that this will be useful to local authorities as it will provide an indicator of those with mobility impairment living in a local community.



STREET ACCESSIBILITY AUDIT EVALUATION







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EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

Accessibility Audits are a tool used to report on the condition of transport accessibility in urban centres. This audit process was developed by Roger Loveless and Gerri Pomeroy in the Waikato branch of CCS Disability Action. The purpose of an accessibility audit is to identify deficiencies in the built environment that affect peoples' independent participation, and to rank their relative priority for improvement that can be funded through routine maintenance and low-cost capital investment budgets by a Local Authority.

This evaluation reviews the three earliest accessibility audits. The purpose of this evaluation report is to review and reflect on the outcomes of each audit, incorporating feedback from the local authorities and communities that participated.

The audits studied in this report were performed in defined urban centres in Otorohanga, Waipa, and Thames-Coromandel Districts. In all locations, the audit consisted of inspections of:

- Mobility parking spaces;
- Kerb ramps;
- Footpaths;
- Street crossing opportunities;
- Street furniture; and
- Temporary traffic management.

The first Accessibility Audit was undertaken in Otorohanga between April and August 2011. Otorohanga District Council (ODC) had made some accessibility improvements before the audit was conducted, but commissioned the audit to provide evidence for prioritising future works. The audit report was based on a site investigation and it included recommendations for ODC to improve accessibility and safety within its CBD for all people.

The report has given the local Otorohanga District Roading Manager some interesting directions to consider further in order to improve planning for accessibility over time. It has helped to focus on effective improvements which could improve peoples' independent participation by making their transport choices easier and safer.

Following ODC's accessibility audit, Waipa District Council (WDC) approached CCS Disability Action to undertake a similar audit for various urban settlements in the Waipa District. A joint project was performed with Taylored Accessibility Solutions (TAS), a private consultant based in Hamilton.

Community consultation meetings were held and audits were carried out in the CBD areas of Cambridge, Kihikihi, Leamington, Pirongia, and Te Awamutu. Recommendations were arranged into General and Specific Recommendations, with the specific recommendations ordered into serious, significant, and minor concerns.

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WDC were very impressed with the auditing process. They are able to now prioritise improvement works more effectively in an evidence-based way. Once the report was represented and accepted by Council, \$100,000 was diverted from other budgets to improvements in accessibility. A further \$400,000 is proposed in the WDC 2015-16 Annual Plan.

CCS Disability Action submitted to the Thames-Coromandel District Council (TCDC) Annual Plans. TCDC took the opportunity to trial an Accessibility Audit in Thames, with the option of extending the programme to other settlements on the Coromandel Peninsula. Following the initial consultation meeting, an audit was carried out in the CBD area of Thames.

The Accessibility Audit was designed to provide recommendations for construction priorities within their urban development strategy.

A good working relationship was developed between CCS Disability Action and TCDC. The report was well received by TCDC, with the roading department including the audit recommendations in their maintenance programme.

A number of improvements have been made by all three local authorities. Following the inspection of these improvements and interviews with community members, some learning outcomes have been identified. These include:

- More data would be useful for Authorities to understand the benefit of improvements.
 The Measuring Accessible Journeys project currently underway provides a tool to count people who use mobility aids, as a subset of all people present in an urban location.
 More use of this type of data over time would help Local Authorities justify the expense of the audit, and to demonstrate value of improvements to decision-makers.
- That contact details should be recorded for CCS Disability Action's reference, and that clear communication of improvement options can be achieved by using existing photos and overlaying recommendations text directly on these.
- Interviews with people living in affected communities can provide rich sources of information about the habits and experiences of local people living their daily lives.
- Councils and auditors will need to improve communication on local authority processes with local representatives of the disabled community

As well as the benefits to local authorities of the audit process, there are wider benefits to the transportation and disability sectors that are becoming apparent as the number of audits increases. The audits help to improve understanding generally of the nature of barriers in the built environment, and of the importance of social inclusion. Each individual audit helps to tell the wider story of changing approaches to accessibility over time.

It is recommended that the audits continue with continued refinement, and that the evaluation process is itself repeated as the number of completed audits increases. It is also recommended that audit findings be incorporated into broader research projects investigating the nature of accessibility, its measurement, and methods to improve peoples' independent participation.

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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Street Accessibility Audits

Street Accessibility Audits are a tool used to report to Local Authorities on the condition of accessibility in their district. It is a process that has been developed by Roger Loveless and Gerri Pomeroy in the Waikato branch of CCS Disability Action. Since 2012, CCS Disability Action has performed Accessibility Audits for various local authorities in the Waikato region. A total of 16 towns and settlements have been audited as at March 2015.

1.2 Evaluation

This evaluation is looking at the three earliest street accessibility audits. The purpose is to review and reflect on the outcomes of each audit, and obtain feedback from the local authorities and communities that participated in the three audits.

1.3 Communities

The audits studied in this report were performed in Otorohanga, Waipa, and Thames-Coromandel Districts. The settlements that were audited include:

- Otorohanga;
- Cambridge, Kihikihi, Leamington, Pirongia, and Te Awamutu,
- Thames.

1.4 Audit Areas of Interest

In all locations, the audit consisted of inspections in an agreed area of the Central Business District (CBD). Topics investigated were:

- Mobility Parking Spaces;
- Kerb ramps;
- Footpaths;
- Street Crossing Opportunities;
- Street Furniture; and
- Temporary Traffic Management.



2 OTOROHANGA

2.1 Audit Process

The first Accessibility Audit was undertaken in the CBD of Otorohanga in April - August 2011. This was a free of charge process as this was a test run for future audits.

The parties involved in the Audit process included CCS Disability Action (Roger Loveless and Gerri Pomeroy) and Otorohanga District Council (Martin Gould, Roading Manager and Sue Blackler, Councilor for Wharepuhunga Ward).

2.2 Prior Accessibility Improvements

Otorohanga District Council (ODC) had previously made some accessibility improvements before the audit was conducted. Improvements noted at the time included:

- Installing galvanized steel chequer plate over the channels to provide level access from the roadways to the footpaths;
- Surface improvements to CBD/Maniapoto Street Footpaths;
- Pedestrian crossings on Maniapoto Street were upgraded with barriers and roadside refuges to ensure pedestrians slow down and check traffic before crossing;
- Grinding of raised joins on concrete footpaths;
- Refuge islands had been installed on SH.3 adjacent to Beattie Home.

2.3 Further Accessibility Improvements

On completion of the site investigation, a report was finalised with future recommendations on how ODC could improve the CBD of Otorohanga for access users.

Recommendations included repairing cobblestoned footpaths, removing old services, and installing mobility parking spaces.

2.4 Otorohanga District Council Feedback

The audit has proven very useful for ODC. CCS Disability Action provided a good list of prioritised works to work through.

Of benefit to ODC is the ongoing planning around accessibility. The report has given the Roading Manager some interesting directions to consider further. It has helped to focus on efficient improvements which could prove effective.



3 WAIPA

3.1 Audit Process

Following ODC's accessibility audit, Waipa District Council (WDC) approached CCS Disability Action to undertake a similar audit for various urban settlements in the Waipa District. As CCS Disability Action has limited resources, a joint project was performed with Taylored Accessibility Solutions (TAS), a private consultant based in Hamilton.

The parties involved in the Audit process included CCS Disability Action (Roger Loveless and Gerri Pomeroy) and TAS (Steve Taylor). Dawn Inglis was the Client Representative for WDC.

Two community consultation meetings were held in September 2012 (Te Awamutu and Cambridge), with a small group gathering that covered a good range of mobility issues – Visual, wheelchair, mobility scooter, and elderly. Representatives from the local Mobility Transport Service also attended.

Following the consultation meetings audits were carried out in the CBD areas of:

- Cambridge;
- Kihikihi:
- Leamington;
- Pirongia; and
- Te Awamutu.

3.2 Prior Accessibility Improvements

WDC had previously made some CBD improvements well before the audit was conducted. Improvements included:

- Installing cobblestoned footpaths in Cambridge and Te Awamutu; and
- Installing 'at grade' crossing opportunities in Te Awamutu.

WDC was conducting an investigation of the usage and location of the mobility parking spaces which resulted in the request for an accessibility audit.

At the time of the audit, WDC was also investigating the design of Kihikihi CBD and expressed an interest in using the audit to finalise the design.



3.4 Further Accessibility Improvements

On completion of the site investigation, a report was finalised with future recommendations on how WDC could improve the CBD of the areas listed in Section 3.1 for access users.

Recommendations were arranged into General and Specific Recommendations, with the specific recommendations ordered into serious, significant, and minor concerns.

Recommendations were made in the following categories:

- Crossing Opportunities;
- Footpaths;
- Kerb Ramps;
- Mobility spaces;
- Street Furniture;
- Tactile pavers for the vision impaired; and
- Temporary Traffic Management.

3.5 Waipa District Council Feedback

WDC were very impressed with the auditing process. They are able to now prioritise the works in a more efficient manner.

Once the report was represented and accepted by Council, \$100,000 was assigned to improvements in accessibility. A further \$400,000 is proposed in the 2015-16 Annual Plan.

WDC Roading Staff recognise the value of the audit, and are recommending a similar partnership with CCS Disability Action for other departments within WDC, including Parks and Reserves, Building Consents etc.



4 THAMES

4.1 Audit Process

In the CCS Disability Action submission to the Thames-Coromandel District Council (TCDC) Annual Plan in 2012, . TCDC took the opportunity to trial an Accessibility Audit in Thames, with the option of extending the programme to other settlements on the Coromandel Peninsula.

The parties involved in the Audit process included CCS Disability Action (Roger Loveless and Gerri Pomeroy) and TAS (Steve Taylor). Christine Tye was the Client Representative for TCDC.

The group of people that attended covered a wide range of impairments. People with visual and intellectual impairments, as well as age and mobility issues were present. People using wheelchairs and mobility scooters also contributed to discussion on the day. Representatives from local disability support centres also attended.

Following the consultation meeting, an audit was carried out in the CBD area of Thames. Connection from the Tararu Retirement Village to Thames was also considered, as media attention focused on mobility scooters using the SH.25 carriageway instead of the footpath.

4.2 Prior Accessibility Improvements

TCDC had previously made some CBD improvements well before the audit was conducted. Improvements included upgrading parts of Pollen Street and Mary Street to create a more pleasant shopping environment. TCDC was also implementing the Thames Urban Development Strategy and were wishing to incorporate the recommendations into this strategy.

4.3 Further Accessibility Improvements

On completion of the site investigation, a report was finalised with future recommendations on how TCDC could improve the CBD of Thames.

Recommendations were arranged into General and Specific Recommendations, with the specific recommendations ordered into serious, significant, and minor concerns.



Recommendations were made in the following categories:

- Crossing Opportunities;
- Footpaths;
- Hauraki Rail Trail;
- Kerb Ramps;
- Mobility spaces;
- Street Furniture;
- Tactile pavers for the vision impaired;
- Tararu Retirement Village; and
- Temporary Traffic Management.

4.4 Thames-Coromandel District Council Feedback

A good working relationship was developed between CCS Disability Action and TCDC. The report was well received by TCDC, with the roading department processing the audit recommendations into their maintenance programme.

TCDC was successful in gaining further funding from the Ministry of Social Development's Make a Difference Fund to perform more audits, in:

- Coromandel township;
- Pauanui;
- Tairua;
- Whangamata; and
- Whitianga.



5 RECOMMENDATIONS UNDERTAKEN

5.1 Otorohanga

Appendix A.1: Otorohanga Improvements identifies the locations of completed improvements that have been made.

Mitre 10 has relocated which has eliminated the Delivery Vehicle conflict on Turonga St.

5.2 Waipa

WDC has made a number of improvements for accessibility. These are identified in Appendix A.2: Waipa Improvements.

5.3 Thames

TCDC has started making improvements to accessibility in line with the recommendations provided in the Accessibility Report. These are identified in Appendix A.3: Thames Improvements



6 COMMUNITY FEEDBACK

As well as the benefits to local authorities of the audit process, there are wider benefits to the transportation and disability sectors that are becoming apparent as the number of audits increases. The audits help to improve understanding generally of the nature of barriers in the built environment, and of the importance of social inclusion. Each individual audit helps to tell the wider story of changing approaches to accessibility over time.

Interviews with people living in affected communities can provide rich sources of information about the habits and experiences of local people living their daily lives.

Susan Mellsopp, from CCS Disability Action, interviewed a selection of the community to assess if and how the community has noticed the improvements.

6.1 Street Accessibility Audit Evaluations – Interviews

Susan interviewed 6 people who had attended the initial community meetings held before the audits were undertaken. Three people from the Te Awamutu area were interviewed, two from Cambridge and one from Thames. Obtaining an interview was difficult at times, several of those rung declined as they had experienced ill health in the intervening years and felt unable to comment on accessibility improvements. Of the six only two reported positive changes.

6.2 Cambridge

Respondent 3, a guide dog handler, reported little change but had also been unwell and seldom ventures out alone. She stated she would be surprised if there had been any real accessibility changes in Cambridge.

She did mention a minor change to the pedestrian crossing between the Anglican Church on the corner of State Highway 1 and Victoria Street saying it had been levelled out and there were no longer dips in it. Respondent 3 had fallen several times at this crossing and was not sure if it was repaired before or after the audits.

She has requested a pedestrian crossing further along Victoria St going towards Hautapu as she has to walk a distance back to the church to cross and then walk all the way up the other side to visit an aunt who lives almost opposite her. When this respondent moved to Cambridge she asked if a crossing could be put in near the Post Office as she is restricted to just one side of the road in the shopping precinct. She reported that a group of blind people, either with canes or guide dogs, met with the council engineer approximately 6



years ago to explain issues they were having with accessibility but nothing has been done about their suggestions.

Respondent 3 uses a mobility parking permit (for a friend's car) and has found this gives her more options in Cambridge, particularly now there is less illegal use of the parks.

Respondent 2, who uses a wheelchair, stated there had been no accessibility changes. He had attended the initial meeting to ask if footpath access to the high level bridge could be changed but said it had not been fixed. He stated the kerb was too steep and he risked falling out of his wheelchair.

While saying he is not particularly observant, this respondent has not noticed any changes in Cambridge and only travels routes and visits places he knows are accessible.

This respondent felt he was not welcome in some places due to his wheelchair and also wished the museum was accessible.

He had noticed there were less tables and chairs on the footpath which made his journey easier. He suggested that privately owned land made it difficult to enforce access issues.

Respondent 2 had reported trees lifting the footpath on Thornton Rd near his home to the council and this was repaired.

He also said there had been no changes to mobility parks and that the wrong people were using them. He felt it could be dangerous to approach these people and does not do so as he can usually find a mobility park.

6.3 Te Awamutu

Respondent 1 lived in Kihikihi and uses a wheelchair and a mobility scooter. She has been ill and has not been to Te Awamutu in her wheelchair so could not report any changes which may have occurred there.

She is extremely happy with changes made since the start of the street accessibility audit process. This respondent stated that the kerb cuts had been lowered in Kihikihi and were much safer to use. Previously she had been fearful of falling off her scooter but now she can now access all of Kihikihi. She also said they had reduced the gradient of the ramp at Kihikihi School used by students to get on the bus.

Respondent 1 was pleased there is now a mobility parking space in the main street of Kihikihi and reported that footpaths were not blocked now and therefore were easier to negotiate. Her daily life was now much easier as she could negotiate a trip to shops easily.



Her call to the Waipa District Council regarding foliage overhanging the crossing at Golf Road received immediate attention.

When asked if there were further accessibility improvements she would like Respondent 1 said hydrant covers in Te Awamutu were counter sunk by 2-3 inches; she was not sure if this had been fixed. While she felt that Kihikihi had improved its access Respondent 1 did suggest that she would like the top of Walmsley St fixed as the path stops and then she has to traverse grass to get to the next footpath and fears falling.

Respondent 2, who has no disability, had attended the initial meeting on behalf of mobility scooter users and friends who were in a wheelchair. He stated firmly that despite visits from council staff to look at concerns there had been no improvements to accessibility in Te Awamutu. He said that scooter users were going faster and faster, even along the footpaths in the main street and try to go silly places. He referred to a recent accident where an elderly man ended up in the Mangapiko Stream at night.

This respondent was extremely concerned about people living in Freemans Court Rest Home who negotiate fast traffic trying to access the footpath on the opposite side of the road, despite there being a safe, if circuitous route, into town. He also reported a lack of respect for mobility parking spaces.

Respondent 6 cares for a wife with MS who uses a motorised wheelchair. He reported that there had been no accessibility improvements in Te Awamutu apart from more mobility parking spaces.

The majority of his comments were around the difficulties with gutters at either side of pedestrian crossings, which he said are not straight, in the main street. He said the roads had been resealed and this had made the gutters deeper. The footrests on his wife's wheelchair grind and catch on the gutter pit. He believes metal plates over the gutter would be helpful as he is sure that people with prams and pushchairs must have similar issues. He has seen scooters caught in the gutter and unable to move.

The respondent has a large people mover to accommodate his wife's wheelchair. They belong to several organisations and go to town frequently to do banking or just for a social outing. His wife's wheelchair holds up traffic as they negotiate deep kerb cuts. His wife has frequently suggested putting a Waipa District Councillor in her wheelchair to see if he can manage the crossings.

They have noticed more mobility parks which are wider, better marked and longer but also found they seem to attract more illegal users. They have an issue taking the wheelchair from the back of their vehicle and often having to go along the road among the traffic to find a place to access the footpath.

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6.4 Thames

Respondent 5 uses a mobility scooter and reported there had been several street accessibility improvements in Thames including the walkway beside Pak'n'Save and access from Pollen Street onto the walkway. People are no longer getting stuck accessing footpaths and can cross the roads more easily.

This respondent suggested the next improvement has to be outside the butchery on Pollen Street as the kerb is too steep and wheelchair and mobility scooter users have to go around the corner to cross the road. He said both he and others were reporting problems to the council, these included an overgrown hedge blocking a footpath.

The new footpath/cycleway is not the legal width and all 4km will need to be fixed.

He reported improved mobility parking spaces which were more visible and had clear access from the footpath to the road. They are used illegally "all the time but if we speak to people as they get out of the car the response is verbal with one guy threatening to punch our heads in".

6.5 Interview Observations

Many of the people who attended the community meetings before the street accessibility audits took place were there to acknowledge their personal access difficulties. This may have been a broken footpath on their street and when being interviewed admitted they had not given much thought to difficulties those with other impairments experienced. One respondent said when he heard how difficult it was for blind people to negotiate the streets of Cambridge he was astounded.

A lack of assertiveness among all the respondents when I interviewed them surprised me. Many seemed unable to verbalise access issues and felt they were possibly being a nuisance. None were inclined to expand on the questions asked and offer further information.

The list of people who attended the meeting reflected how many people rely on the non-disabled to speak on their behalf. This included rest home residents, the vision impaired, IDEA services and even a historical society. While this is common practice little improvement will occur until those impacted voice their own concerns.



7 LEARNING OUTCOMES

7.1 Improvements Already Made

Since the first audit in Otorohanga, adjustments to the audit process have been made to each audit report.

Improvements to the report process has included:

- Breakdown of recommendations into Serious, Significant, and minor concerns;
- Introduction of costings; and
- Relating the report to various New Zealand and international guidelines, such as RTS 14, World Health Organisation etc.

CCS Disability Action is also developing their Measuring Accessible Journeys concept in conjunction with Traffic Design Group. This concept involves assessing the presence, or otherwise, of persons using visible aids in the community as a proxy for measuring how accessible the community is to persons with disabilities. This will help Local Authorities to apply evidence based asset management processes to manage the pedestrian in their region in a similar manner to the way they manage vehicle trips.

7.2 Further Improvements

Further improvements may be necessary for Local Authorities to achieve full results from the audit process.

- More data would be useful for Authorities to understand the benefit of improvements. The Measuring Accessible Journeys project currently underway provides a tool to count people who use mobility aids, as a subset of all people present in an urban location. More use of this type of data over time would help Local Authorities justify the expense of the audit, and to demonstrate value of improvements to decision-makers.
- That contact details should be recorded for CCS Disability Action's reference, and that clear communication of improvement options can be achieved by using existing photos and overlaying recommendations text directly on these.
- Councils and auditors will need to improve communication on local authority processes with local representatives of the disabled community
- Those involved with audits, including Councils and auditors, will need to consider how best to motivate representatives of the disabled community to bring forward their concerns.



7.3 Learning Outcome Recommendation

It is recommended that the audits continue with continued refinement, and that the evaluation process is itself repeated as the number of completed audits increases. It is also recommended that audit findings be incorporated into broader research projects investigating the nature of accessibility, its measurement, and methods to improve peoples' independent participation.



APPENDIX A: RECOMMENDATIONS ALREADY IMPLEMENTED



Appendix A.1: Otorohanga Implemented Recommendations

Otorohanga Location	Description of improvements
Otorohanga Club	Repair uneven and damaged cobblestones
Library	Repair uneven cobblestones at drainage grate
Maniapoto Street	Repair uneven cobblestones at water toby
Maniapoto Street	Maniapoto St crossings – re-grade to 7.1%
Maniapoto St/Pine St	Remove Natural Gas vent
Turonga Street	Delivery Vehicle Conflict at Mitre 10 & RD1
Kiwi House	Install accessibility parks



Appendix A.2: Waipa Implemented Recommendations

Cambridge:

Cambridge Location		Description of improvements
	n/w crossing Anzac	Install kerb ramp
Alpha/ Anzac	n/e, n/w, and s/e crossing Alpha	Re-grade ramps to 1 in 14 (7.1%)
Alpha St		Lower footpath to reduce gradient to New World building
Alpha St – opp. Pastoral Realty	Mobility Space	Install full length kerb ramp
Alpha/ Victoria	n/w crossing Victoria	Remove lip in kerb
Alpha St	Dick to Victoria	Footpath needs repair near Dick (north) Clear debris from trees Re-lay cobbles at driveway east of Vosper Law
Alpha St – opp. Victoria Sq.		Install edgeline on carriageway
Alpha/Dick	n/w and s/e crossing Dick	Re-grade ramps to 1 in 14 (7.1%)
Anzac St	Duke to Alpha	Repair footpath outside Rural Health
Bryce/ Dallinger	East crossing Bryce	Install kerb ramps
	n/w and s/w crossing Dallinger	Re-grade ramps to 1 in 14 (7.1%)
Commerce/ Victoria	n/e and s/e crossing Commerce	Re-grade ramps to 1 in 14 (7.1%)
Commerce/ Duke	s/w crossing	Re-grade ramp to 1 in 14 (7.1%)
Dick St – Police Station	Mobility Space	Mark traffic lane edgeline
Dick/ Duke	n/e crossing Duke	Re-grade ramp to 1 in 14 (7.1%)
Dick	Queen to Alpha	Repair footpath from tree root outside dentist
Duke St – Flying Dragon Takeaways	Mobility Space	Relocate street furniture (rubbish bin) Install full length kerb ramp
Duke	Victoria to Fort	Trim foliage south/east of Anzac, including refuge island
Duko / Holly /s / Wilson	n/w crossing Hally's	
Duke/ Hally's/ Wilson	s/w crossing Wilson	Re-grade ramps to 1 in 14 (7.1%)
Duke	Victoria to Dick	Re-grade west of Lower Duke St to 1 in 14 (7.1%)
Fort/ Victoria	n/e and s/e crossing Fort	Re-grade ramps to 1 in 14 (7.1%)
Fort	Duke to Victoria	Raise Telecom Manhole and repair footpath from tree root o/s #2 Re-grade east from Duke to 1 in 14 (7.1%)

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Cambridge Location		Description of improvements
Hally's	Duke to Alpha	Define pedestrian zone from toilets to Alpha
Hamilton	Bryce to Victoria	Replace footpath (south)
Hautapu/ Pedestrian Crossing	west and east crossing	Re-grade ramps & carriageway to 1 in 14 (7.1%)
James/ Wilson	n/w and s/w crossing James	Re-grade ramp to 1 in 14 (7.1%)
Lake/ Queen	n/w and s/e crossing Lake	Remove lips in kerb
Lake	Queen to Alpha	Re-grade north of AON and entrance to Briscoes to 1 in 14 (7.1%)
Milicich Pl Carpark (2)	Mobility Space	Relocate one park to west side
Milicich		Re-grade carpark path to footpath to 1 in 14(7.1%)
Queen St – I-site (on street)	Mobility Space	Re-mark with Hatching
Queen St (SH.1)	Pedestrian crossing between Victoria & Lake	Re-grade ramps to 1 in 14 (7.1%)
Queen St (SH.1)	Pedestrian crossing	Remove lip in kerb
	between Lake & Empire	Re-grade ramps to 1 in 14 (7.1%)
Queen St	Victoria to Dick	Re-grade east of petrol station to 1 in 14 (7.1%) Repair footpath between petrol station and
		crossing
Victoria	Hamilton to Queen	Repair join in footpath lengthwise (south) Replace kerb o/s café (east) Reduce al-fresco dining (west) Install footpath at carparks to Town Hall Repair footpath south of new footpath (west)
Victoria St – Town Hall	Mobility Space	Mark Hatching
Victoria	Pedestrian crossing point south of Hally's	Remove lip in kerb
Victoria St – Fran's Cafe	Mobility Space	Widen to 3.5m Mark Hatching
Victoria St – Florist	Mobility Space	Widen to 3.5m Mark Hatching
Victoria St – GPO Bar & Brasserie	Mobility Space	Widen to 3.5m Mark Hatching
Whitaker	Park to ped crossing	Align crossing point
Williams St – Cambridge East Primary School	Mobility Space	Install full length kerb ramp
Williamson St – Swimming Pool	Mobility Space	Mark Hatching

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Kihikihi:

Kihikihi Location		Description of improvements
Lyon	Whitmore to Balance	Repair footpath opp. #68 (east)
Lyon/ Whitmore	east crossing Whitmore	Align crossing point
Lyon	Galloway to Whitmore	Repair footpath between café and clothing shop (west) and o/s reserve (east)
		Install Tactiles at fruit and vege shop (west)
Lyon/ Galloway	s/e crossing Galloway	Re-grade ramp to 1 in 14 (7.1%)
Lyon	Leslie to Galloway	Repair footpath and trim foliage (west)

Leamington:

Leamington Location		Description of improvements
Lamb St – Leamington Primary School	Mobility Space	Re-mark and install Hatching
Kingsley St – James Gray Kindergarten	Mobility Space	Lengthen to minimum 6m
Shakespeare/ Raleigh	north crossing Shakespeare	Install kerb ramps
Shakespeare/ Thompson	n/w crossing Shakespeare	Re-grade ramp to 1 in 14 (7.1%)
	s/w crossing Thompson	Align crossing point

Pirongia:

Pirongia Location		Description of improvements
Franklin/ Crozier	n/w crossing Franklin	Remove lip in kerb
Franklin		Install footpath between Persimmon Tree Café and Four Square
Franklin St – Heritage & Visitor Centre	Mobility Space	Install full length kerb ramp



Te Awamutu:

Te Awamutu Location		Description of improvements
	Arawata/ Cambridge/ Ohaupo	Extend/ install directional and warning tiles
		at all crossing points
		Align Tactiles to match direction of crossing
Albert Park		Reduce shop clutter in Rogers Ln
Albert Park	Sloane/ Vaile	Relocate LP s/e corner
	Arawata to Sloane	Trim foliage from Sports Club to George
	East crossing refuge island south of George	Re-grade ramp to 1 in 14 (7.1%)
Alexandra St – Strawbridge 100%	Mobility Space	Mark Hatching
	Scout to Mahoe/ George	Repair footpath from Scout to church (south)
Arawata	Mahoe/ George to Alexandra/ Sloane	Repair dripping gutter o/s Shoemenders
Ardwald	Mahoe/ George to Alexandra/ Sloane	Remove redundant vehicle crossing outside Paper Plus
	Albert Park/ Cambridge/ Ohaupo to Scout	Re-grade n/w bridge to 1 in 14 (7.1%)
Bank/ Teasdale	North crossing Teasdale	Install kerb ramp
Dank Ctroot	Opp. NZ Post	Remove lip in kerb
Bank Street	Alexandra to Vaile	Trim tree opp. NZ Post
Bank St – opp. Waipa District Council		Mark hatching
Churchill St Carpark –	A	Re-locate bins
alleyway	Mobility Space	Mark hatching
Jacobs	n/w crossing at entrance to shopping centre	Align crossing point
Mahoe	Churchill to Mutu	Replace footpath (south)
Mahoe/ Selwyn	Crossing Selwyn	Relocate to intersection to align with footpath
Market	Alexandra to Mahoe	Remove carparking on footpath
Market St - ANZ	Mobility Space	Lengthen to minimum 6m
Mutu St – opp. War Memorial Gardens Entrance	Mobility Space	Widen to 3.5m
Palmer St – St John	Mobility Space	Lengthen to minimum 6m
Palmer/ Vaile	s/w crossing Vaile	Install kerb ramp
Rewi	Alexandra to Jacobs	Repair footpath behind Redoubt Cafe

ACCESSIBILITY AUDIT EVALUATION

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TE HUNGA HAUA MAURI MO NGA TANGATA KATOA

Te Awamutu Location		Description of improvements
Roche St - Library	Mobility Space	Lengthen to minimum 6m
Roche St – Waipa District Council (2)	Mobility Space	Install full length kerb ramp
Column In To Assessments	Mobility Space	Mark Hatching
Selwyn Ln – Te Awamutu Events Centre (2)		Connect footpath at vehicle entrance to Events Centre
Sloane	Albert Park/ Vaile to Alexandra/Arawata	Remove redundant kerb ramp o/s WINZ
Teasdale	Jacobs to Vaile	Repair footpath at #220 and between Gracelands and Invictus



Appendix A.3: Thames Implemented Recommendations

Thames Location	Description of improvements	
	Install full length kerb ramp at #546	
Pollen St	Install full length kerb ramp at #618	
	Install full length kerb ramp at Brian Boru	
Jellicoe St (SH.25)	Widen footpath to 2.4m	
Brown St	Re-align footpath crossing Pak'n'Save Loading Zone	
Mary St/Court St	Re-align footpath crossing	
Davy/Cochrane	Install kerb ramps	

Submission to the Thames-Coromandel district long-term plan

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Historic Heritage; with the recognition in the draft plan of the importance of heritage assets and the proposal for the whole district to become a Historic Heritage area, I submit that funding for historic heritage must be included in our 10 year plan.

As a founder member of, council supported, Heritage Hauraki Coromandel, member of the Australasia Mining history Association and the international Mineralogical Museum Professionals association, local historian who has contributed to visitor oriented interpretation such as the Farmers and Saxon mine signage in Thames and activist for Historic Heritage I feel I can offer council a well-informed view of how we can improve our district through its historic heritage. I have been fortunate to be able to see first-hand the benefits of preserving historic heritage has and is giving in places as diverse as Beechworth in Australia, Freiberg in Germany or Sapporo in Japan. All of these places derive not only economic benefits but also cultural and social ones from the preservation and promotion of their Historic Heritage.

Defined adequate funding should support the heritage policy areas already established in Coromandel town and the Grahamstown area of Thames as well as other aspects of our historic heritage. As with boat ramps, adventure playgrounds and swimming pools the funding of historic heritage supports economic development/tourism and community development. Council has been supporting historic heritage in recognition of its benefits, this needs to continue with funding budgeted in the LTP specifically for Historic Heritage. There is also I believe a need for support of councils historic heritage policies with the establishment from the historic heritage community of formal advisory groups and the allocation of formal responsibility for historic heritage to council staff. All of this needs to be supported by the allocation of specific sufficient funding in the LTP.

Regards

John Isdale



18 March 2014

Thames Coromandel District Council Mackay Street THAMES To CTS

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Submission: Roads and Footpaths - Footbridge / Walkway to adjoin a Kennedy Bay bridge

Please find enclosed the Whanau of Te Kura Kaupapa Maori o Harataunga submission with regard to the construction of a walkway / footbridge to adjoin the bridge in between the two marae in Harataunga (Kennedy Bay).

Naku noa

Mereana Maika Tumuaki / Principal

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SUBMISSION: ROADS AND FOOTPATHS Footbridge / Walkway adjoining Kennedy Bay Bridge (4th) (Between Harataunga & Te Paea Maraes)

This submission is in regard to a bridge in Kennedy Bay situated between the Harataunga Marae and Te Paea Marae.

It is of our opinion that the bridge be strengthened and something done about the loose boards on top. The boards loosen and break because of heavy trucks and traffic use. Summer always attracts more traffic.

We also recommend that an adjoining footbridge or Walkway be added. During the summer months this is the place to swim and recently (last five years) has become more so, thus the populace using the bridge increases tenfold. People jump off and fish from the bridge. The recommended changes will increase safety around the bridge.

We don't have a swimming pool nor do we need one. Our tamariki learn to swim in the water-hole under the bridge. It provides a platform for instruction and a viewing point for parents and teachers. Many schools that visit our kura and marae use it and comment on how safe and accessible it is for water sport such as kayaking, swimming and fishing. The recommended changes will increase safety around the bridge.

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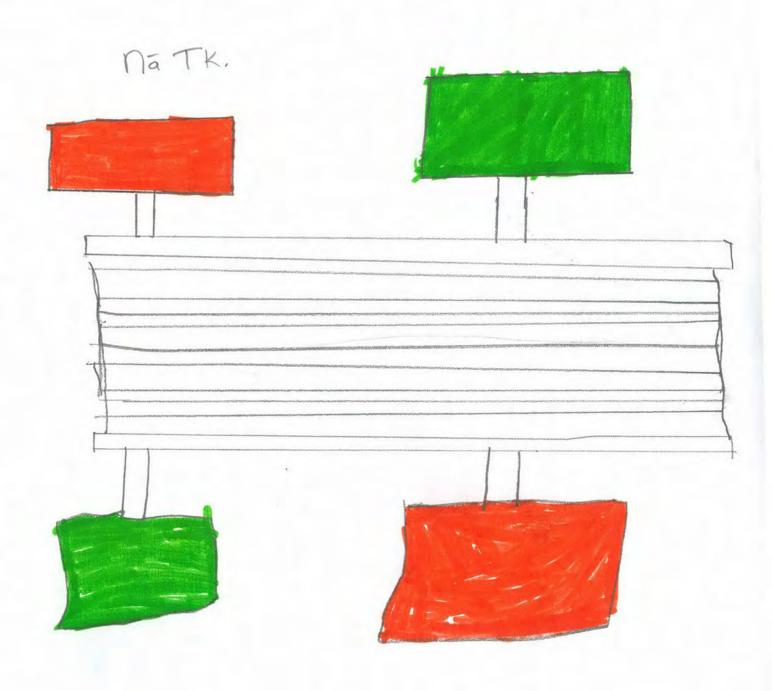
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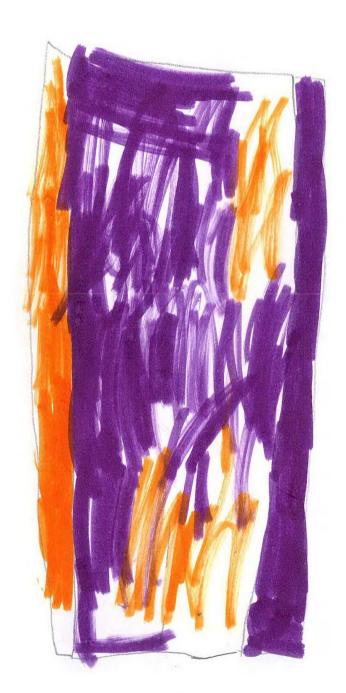


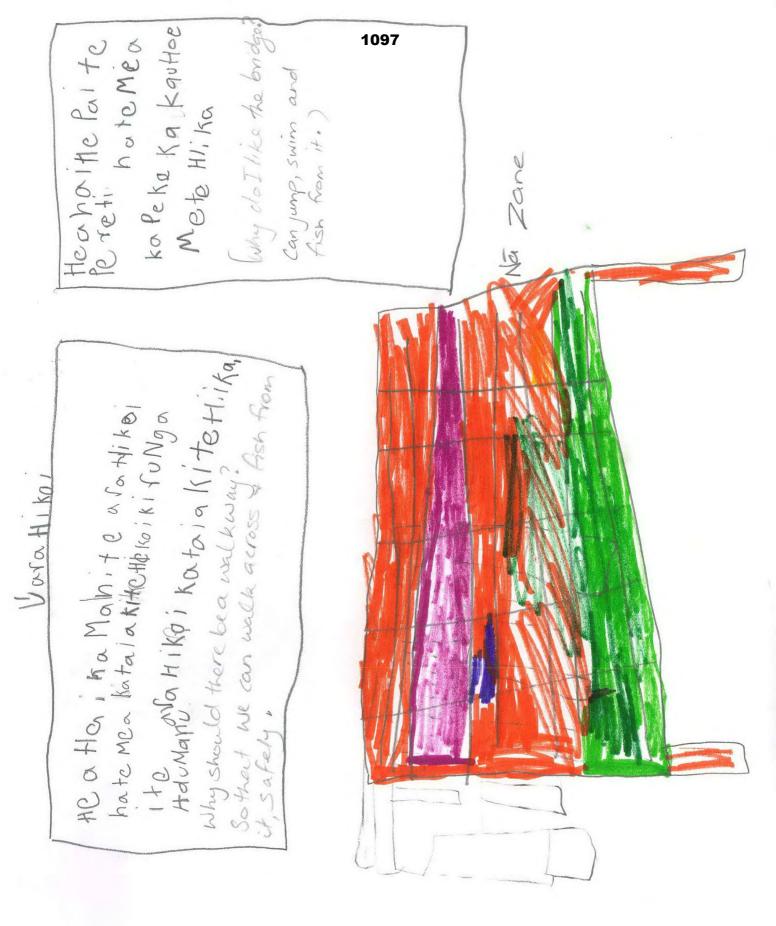
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Map O D A I learn to swim at the bridge





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Na Te-Amo-Ler

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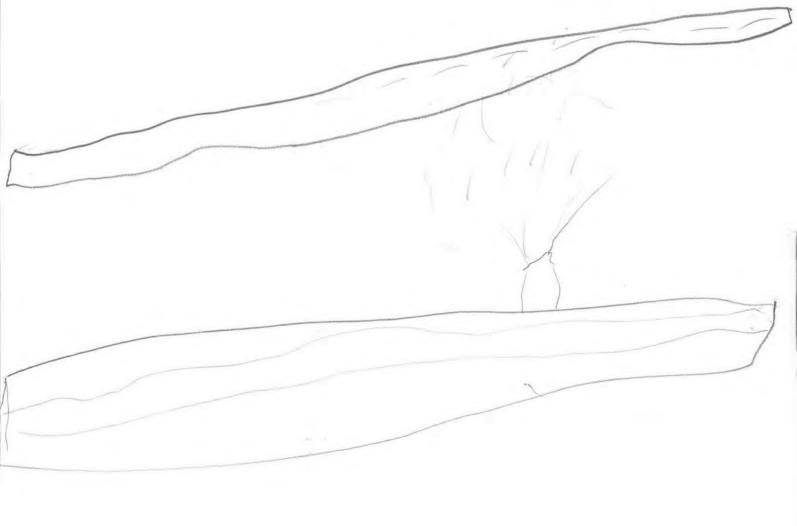
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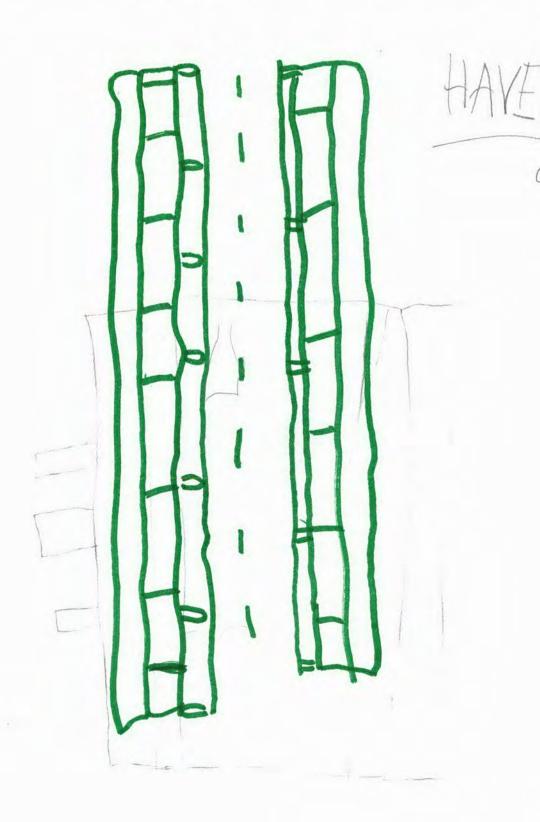


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[Submitter has bracketed the statement below (which was automatically on their form from The Local Advertiser) and stated "No."]

I propose that the Tairua-Pauanui Community Board fund the Tairua Information Centre for the next three years.

We are proposing a new annual fixed rate of \$200 for all short term accommodation providers (e.g. Bed and Breakfast operators, Book a Bach owners) as a contribution towards economic development expenditure.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 23 of the Consultation Document .

Do you agree with our proposal to charge a new annual fixed rate of \$200 for all short term accommodation providers?

Yes, I agree that short term accommodation providers should be charged an annual fixed rate.

We are proposing that Bed and Breakfast operators with four or more rooms for hire be reclassified as commercial properties.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 23 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to reclassify Bed and Breakfast operators with four or more rooms for hire as commercial properties?

Yes, I agree that Bed and Breakfast operators with four or more rooms for hire should be reclassified as commercial properties.

We are proposing a rates remission (refund) for residents in a retirement village who don't qualify for the central government rates rebate because of how they own their homes.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 24 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to give a rate remission to residents in a retirement village who don't qualify for the central government rates rebate

Yes, I agree that residents in a retirement village who

don't qualify for the central government rates rebate because of how they own their homes? because of how they own their homes should be given a rates remission.

We are proposing that all second dwellings of 50 square metres or less (i.e. "Granny Flats") will receive a rates remission (refund) of 50% of their fixed rates charges (e.g. UAGC, water charges).

Information relating to this question can be found on page 24 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to give a rates remission to all second dwellings of 50 square metres or less?

No, I do not agree with giving a rates remission to second dwellings of 50 square metres or less.

We are proposing a new fee for the Hahei Park and Ride, and to extend fees for Mercury Bay boat ramps and trailer parking areas to all upgraded boat ramp areas.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 25 of the Consultation Document.

Park and Ride and for Mercury Bay boat ramps and trailer parking?

but not the extended fees for the Mercury Bay boat ramps and trailer parking.

We are proposing a series of memorial native forests around the Coromandel Peninsula in order to commemorate the NZ soldiers who died in World War 1.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 27 of the Consultation Document .

Do you support a series of memorial native forests Yes, I support a series of memorial native forests here in the Coromandel?

here in the Coromandel.

Hearing

Hearings will be scheduled for late April.

Would you like to speak at a hearing in support of No your submission?

Please select the option that best describes you. I own a property in the Thames-Coromandel District but I live elsewhere in New Zealand

If Council received this submission via email or hard copy, you can copy and paste the link/s below into the address bar of your web browser to view the original submission.

http://docs.tcdc.govt.nz/store/default/3786105.pdf

From: Samantha Lee [mailto:slee@suplife.org.nz]

Sent: Tuesday, 7 April 2015 12:27 p.m.

To: Christine Tye **Subject:** Submission

I am writing to make a submission to the draft 2015-25 Long Term Plan.

I am the General Manager of Operations for the Supported Life Style Hauraki Trust, a not for profit, residential service for people with Intellectual Disabilities and Traumatic Brain Injuries.

We would like to request that it be considered to place another Pedestrian Crossing at the Grahamstown end of Queen Street either outside 900 Queen Street or Carnegie Hall.

The reasons for this request is the lack of safe crossing at this end of town for our service users and also other members of the community. On a daily basis there are up to 30 of our Life Stylers Crossing the main road and currently the staff need to escort Life Stylers, some with significant mobility issues, across the road quickly between rushes of cars. We feel this situation is not a safe one and may eventually lead to someone, be it staff or Life Styler, getting seriously hurt.

We believe that a crossing in either of these locations would benefit the community as a whole given the location is near the brick flats where many aged residents reside.

I believe that the submission speaks for itself and would not need to be present it to the council.

Kind Regards

Samantha Lee

General Manager Service Delivery

The Supported Life Style Hauraki Trust.

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From: Aaron Hailman [aaron@tagi.ca]
Sent: Tuesday, April 07, 2015 2:38:57 PM

To: TCDC General Mail Address

Subject: Economic Development Activity

We own a property at 80 Waihirere Drive, Tuatewa.

We are aware that there is a proposal to levy a \$200 annual fee to homes which may be available to rent for short term visitors.

We feel that this is an unfair fee, and should not be implemented in this way.

It is better to increase the rates overall if need.

Thank you.

Aaron Hailman

Elizabeth Smith

TCDC Long Term Plan 2015/2025 Submission

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www.pauanuionline.co.nz

Phone & Fax (07) 864 7101 & Mobile 027 281 8342

2nd April 2015

5. Information Centre funding changes

We agree

"to the 3 year phase-in period of additional targeted rates per rateable unit in each Community Board area",

However, we do not believe the rates from our communities should include having to support Thames & Whitianga i-Sites (this practice is normally referred to as "double dipping")

We wish to speak in support of our submission (NB the speaker may not be the signatory)

The reason why -

Council's conclusion that the Information Centres are primarily for the benefit of the local community is simply an assumption. Yes we do provide information for our local businesses, community and community events, but since the main Christmas holiday population returned to work our enquiries are predominately from the international and domestic holiday visitors.

Visitors want to know about the entire Coromandel area not just Pauanui, where to go, and what to see and do, so that they make the most of their time on the Coromandel Peninsula.

With Puka Park right on our doorstep and their associated Accor Vacation Club, we have internationals here for the best part of 9 to 10 months of the year. Pauanui Pines Motor Lodge, Ocean Breeze Resort and Lakes Resort International Golf Course also attract many International and domestic visitors to our town. These visitors do not go to the Thames or Whitianga – i-Sites for their information, they visit the Pauanui or Tairua Information Centres for expert local knowledge of the area and surrounds.

Furthermore, the tour operators around the region would not advertise with us if we weren't sending clients to them and making it worth their while. This goes for the majority of operators on the Peninsula and also goes as far as Hobbiton, White Island, and Rotorua operators because these are doable overnight options for people staying here in Pauanui for the duration of their New Zealand/Coromandel Peninsula experience.

Many of these visitors are based here in Pauanui for between one and two weeks.

We have also noticed a huge increase in the camper van market and we field numerous enquiries for them about what to see and do in the area, walks and places of interest, where they can freedom camp, and dump station availability.

Jewel/Hughes

Padanui Information Centre (Manager)

From: Stewart Warneford [stewwarneford@gmail.com]

Sent: Wednesday, April 08, 2015 7:39:29 AM

To: TCDC General Mail Address **Subject:** Rate Charge For Rentals

Morning, My name is Stewart Warneford & I reside @ 136 Opera Place Whangapoua. I rent my place out for about 3 weeks of the year to pay for rates, insurance etc. I am Against the proposed charge of \$200 a year.

As it is I pay around \$1300 a year to TCDC & get my rubbish collected & even need to pay for the bags.

The subdivision I am in has its own water supply & sewerage system which we all own & look after & also pay a levy each year into a fund for its upkeep.

We have no Hotels or Motels in the area so we are not taking business away from anyone.

Again, I do not want to see any charge (\$200) for renting my place out for a few weeks of the year.

Yours sincerely Stew Warneford 0211 955032 File No: Document No: Enquiries to: 01 12 15A 3315002/v2 Anthea Sayer

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Chief Executive Thames-Coromandel District Council Private Bag Thames

Attention: David Hammond

Tena koe David

Submission on Thames-Coromandel District Council's 2015 – 2025 Draft Long Term Plan

Thank you for the opportunity to submit on the Thames-Coromandel District Council (TCDC) 2015-2025 Draft Long Term Plan (LTP). We would like to be heard in support of our submission.

Firstly, Waikato Regional Council (WRC) would like to acknowledge the overall positive working relationship that exists between our organisations. This relationship is demonstrated by the progress being made over the last few years on key projects such as Grahams Creek, WWI Memorial Forest and Cook Stream.

WRC supports the following proposals in the LTP. We request that they be retained:

- The economic development anchor projects (page 21 of the consultation document).
- The inclusion of funds to resource water efficiency measures (page 30 of the consultation document).

WRC requests that the following proposals within the LTP be further considered as follows:

- Ensuring sufficient funds exist for further investigations into long term and sustainable community water supply systems, particularly for the rural Thames and Matatoki communities.
- Ensuring sufficient funds exist for TCDC wastewater treatment and water treatment plants to comply with consent conditions.
- We note Enviroschools funding has been cut but it is our understanding that funding may
 be obtained through community boards. We are concerned this may affect the long term
 stability of funding and the efficiencies of maintaining funding relationships with both
 your council and schools. WRC has valued and appreciated the positive partnership
 created by working together to successfully implement the Enviroschools programme for
 the past six years and acknowledge TCDC's funding contribution of \$11,000 pa.

WRC requests that the following matters be considered for inclusion within the LTP:

Waikato Regional Policy Statement - resourcing priority projects

The Proposed Waikato Regional Policy Statement (WRPS) will become operative later this year. The successful implementation of the Regional Policy Statement will be achieved through our organisations partnering together to achieve mutual outcomes. The following comments will ensure that together we can deliver on some key priorities for your district.

Local Indigenous Biodiversity Strategies

A key implementation method of the RPS is the development of local indigenous biodiversity strategies. These will enable a more strategic and collaborative approach to managing biodiversity. Our draft LTP budgets \$175,000 per year in years 2016/17 to 2018/19 to assist territorial authorities throughout the region to develop local indigenous biodiversity strategies.

We encourage TCDC to make provision in its LTP to support these strategies. We are seeking funding of \$50,000 in 2018/19 to enable the development of a local indigenous biodiversity strategy for the Thames-Coromandel district. We believe this strategy will assist the vision the community has for its district.

In addition, we request greater financial contribution to the ongoing enhancement, development and maintenance of the Hikuai Te Kouka forest.

Regional Heritage Forum

The Waikato Regional Heritage Forum is another RPS method that has direct applicability to the Thames-Coromandel district. WRC supports the allocation of resources in the LTP that are supportive of building regional heritage capacity.

Once again, thank you for the opportunity to be submit on TCDC's draft LTP.

Yours faithfully

Vaughan Payne Chief Executive

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A community conservation group based in the Northern Coromandel

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Our Submission

Moehau Environment Group was disappointed to find no mention of the Natural and Cultural Heritage activity stream in the draft Long Term Plan for the Coromandel. Council used to contribute \$3000 annually under this activity towards the Waikato Biodiversity Forum. We want support for the Forum to continue.

The Waikato Biodiversity Forum provides crucial support to community conservation groups throughout the Coromandel and wider region. Moehau Environment Group benefits from the knowledge and technical support this Forum offers, as well as the networking opportunities the Forum events provide. Our group operates in a relatively isolated part of the Coromandel, but the Forum keeps us well-informed and connected with the wider conservation community. We understand the Forum also supports the Council by keeping staff informed of biodiversity issues. It would be a huge loss to local community groups, if funding for the Forum was halted.

The Council states in the LTP, as one of three outcomes, it aims to achieve; "A clean and green district – The Coromandel Peninsula's natural environment provides a unique sense of place". Our naturally rich biodiversity and pristine environment is a key part of what makes the Coromandel special, and a holiday destination. Moehau Environment Group would like the Council to increase its support of biodiversity protection initiatives across the Peninsula.

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We support the continued funding of the Tairua Information Centre by the Tairua-Pauanui Community Board for the next three years.

Hearings will be scheduled for late April.

Would you like to speak at a hearing in support Yes of your submission?

Telephone

Telephone 078647575

Email

Email info.tairua@xtra.co.nz

Please select the option that best describes you. I am submitting on behalf of an organisation/company

which is based in the Thames-Coromandel District

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Submission by Veronica Lomas

Submission ID LTP15_291

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he	re in	the	Coron	nandel [*]	?			

No, I do not support a series of memorial native forests here in the Coromandel.

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Submission by Max Eder

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I feel that memorial forests should be in memory of all NZ wars, otherwise we dont honor those in WW2, Vietnam etc etc.

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Council should not lose overall control of the Sugarloaf even if CMF contribute to upgrade.						
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- I totally oppose this project.
- We already have very fine war memorials throughout TCDC District + active ANZAC Day services.
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- They also rely hugely on volunteers.
- Well, guess what? The volunteers are already flat out planting Kauris, picking up rubbish and doing pest trapping.
- We already have wonderful memorials to our past. Our forest remnants.
- If Council is so keen to bring people to look at nature the PLEASE spend this money on paying for more pest control, extending bird corridors, extending kiwi sanctuaries and maintaining the tracks that are real great walks in our hinterlands.
- Weed eradication would also be a very worthwhile activity.
- If you want a true memorial, then put this money towards keeping Wainuiototo/New Chum in the public domain.
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Have more to tell us? Record it below.

Strategic Planning

Further comments on the Strategic Planning activity.

I fully support the development of a district-wide arts strategy, with funding being allocated to consultation and development of the strategy.

I am a founding member of the Mercury May Community Choir which is now in its 11 th year. The response of the community as participants: - 25-35. The choir now after starting with 8-10 members and the audience we get for our concerts 100-300 illustrate a very clearly that cultural experiences are very important to residents here. (We are not all petrol heads!!) I am attaching a brochure for out next project (with a value of approx \$10,000) which indicated the level of interest in cultural events here. As you can see "A Winter Sing" is designed to draw participants from throughout the region. Initial registrations have come from Mercury Bay itself, Colville, Auckland, Te Aroha and Christchurch. So if you have to see every activity in terms on money this is an excellent example of cultural tourism. The art Escape also shows that our creative residents should be acknowledged by a TCDC Arts Strategy. Furthermore the diverse cultural events organised by Creative Mercury bay draw packed houses. My strong personal view is that against the background of climate change and sea level rise we must switch from carbon burning activities to new ones such as Arts and culture.

Coastal and Hazard Management

Further comments on the Coastal and Hazard Management activity.

Is there budget for sea level rise mitigation? Should Whangamata be moved? Climate change is costly - need a policy and budget for this.

Economic Development

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- This 'Great Walk' is silly. It's a 'stroll' yes of course it would be nice to walk from Hot Water Beach to Cathedral Cove but why bring even more people to an area which is already overloaded.
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- Camping grounds we still need these.
- Bike trails seriously, the trail from Thames to Paeroa is pleasant but boring. It needs to be enhanced with planting, restoration of drains (oops waterways) and interpretation. An extension to Kaiaua admirable idea but comments as far as Thames to Paeroa.

Tourism

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Events

- These can be overdone and have a negative impact on residents (eg. Road closures impact on travel to Saturday sports; we have to put up with drunks in a scallop festival)
- It was totally wrong to give \$40,000 to a private Hahei Raceway event and ot fund The Guy Fawkes, the only for locals event.
- All events should incur a small levy per participant that can go to a fund to help look after our environemnt.

Events need to move away from high-carbon use activities as quickly as possible if we are to honour our commitment to being a sustainable district.

- The Heritage Region concept is great - however, our environment, underpins that concept.

Mercury Bay - Community Spaces

Further comments on the Mercury Bay - Community Spaces activity.

Mercury Bay Community Board

- How can we properly comment on our Community Boards proposals when we dont know what they are?

- I would like to see a genuine effort by the Board to engage with and communicate with residents.
- What is the Destination Boat Ramp? \$615,000 is a lot of money to spend and ask approval for when we don't know what is proposed!!
- I would hate this to become another "Taylor's Mistake" fiasco. (3 or 4 plans at huge cost and over many years and hey! It's almost the same as when I first arrived here 25 years ago).

Main Street/Town Upgraded

- Believe it or not most of us find our town perfectly nice the way it is.
- Again any number of plans have been done will there be another one?
- My understanding was there would be no main street upgrade until the underground work (to lay larger water/wastewater pipes to the Mill Road and Esplande area) was completed.
- \$3.4 million could be used to pay down the wastewater expenses, plant trees beside the footpaths from MBAs to town along Cook Drive, and provide cycleways and bike racks in and around town. (See picture P6 under Essential Services).
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There should be no charge.

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Reasons:

- Hotels/motels and large accommodation providers apparently have asked that the playing field be levelled so that home businesses are also charged a contribution for economic development expenditure. Naturally the big boys will want to get rid of competition. They suffer from high vacancies over winter, but nothing can change that fact. Winter attractions can be devised, but enough visitors would not stay overnight to increase the bed occupancy rate a great deal.
- Home Businesses are very necessary. They are a different kind of business from the hotels/motels so the playing field can never be level. During the summer months there is often a shortage of accommodation and they fill in the gaps for the larger businesses. Home businesses offer different accommodation experiences to the hotels and motels. They provide a more personalised service and introduce our tourists to New Zealand hospitality and New Zealanders. Often the accommodation is in areas where there are scenic views of the sea and bush in premises that the hotels and motels would consider too far from the centre of business life. The number of rental days will probably be between 30 or 45 days per annum spread across the summer months of November, December, January, February, March, and April after Easter. So there are many days with no visitors wanting accommodation, although family and friends might want uncharged accommodation over their holidays.
- No one in these small home businesses will make a living unless there is income from other sources. The following are some costs in running these units:
- 1 .Book a Bach and other such services, will, of course, do the work but will charge.
- 2. Advertising is another cost, the minimum being a web site and advertising cards to hand out. Note that all this advertising by private accommodation businesses gives a very big boost to travel knowledge about the Coromandel.
- 3. Information Centre advertising, and accommodation bookings. This booking service is 10% of the accommodation fee. (Coromandel Town Information Centre).
- 4. \$30 membership fee to the Business Assoc. giving membership also to the Coromandel Town Information Centre.
- 5. \$460 membership to Destination Coromandel. (Not obligatory). Enabling accommodation to be advertised on its web site, and other benefits. The fee helps to pay for the international and New Zealand-wide promotion of the Coromandel Peninsula.
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For those who own two separate houses on one land title, which is our position concerning our granny cottage, we have been advised by TCDC that if we make any money offering paid accommodation then we would be charged \$1,714 annually for rates. Thus our total annual rates, just for TCDC would be \$4,384 plus the usual separate two annual charges for water and the Waikato rates.

A glance at web sites for the Coromandel Peninsula show charges for accommodation by home businesses are usually less than \$200 a night. One Councillor said that the \$200 surcharge was only one night's accommodation costs. This is incorrect. Accommodation providers are limited in the amount they can charge. Most people simply won't pay high prices. They cannot afford them. There is a small group of visitors who will pay high prices, i.e. over \$200 and on to over \$300 and more per night but they are a small minority, usually from overseas. Some of the bach rentals may be high depending on type of property.

So do the small business providers make a profit? Probably they are covering their costs and generating a cash flow that is spent across the local economy. For people on NZ Super, the extra cash flow is very helpful.

The Mayor has said he wants to encourage economic growth in the Coromandel. Also, TCDC has stated that it will try to be fair in its decision making. We do not think it is fair to load small home businesses with extra costs and administrative red tape. How will the collection of this money be policed? Probably everyone, where possible, will just put their heads down and say nothing in the hope of being overlooked. Businesses are started by people who see a need and have the imagination and initiative to use what presents itself, in this case visitors needing accommodation on the one side, and empty rooms on the other. This is a grass roots effort. Councils can't establish businesses they can only provide the flexibility and freedom (within the law) for citizens to be the creators. Our small home businesses are something that the Council should support for all our benefit.

[Submitter has attached letters to the editor from the Hauraki Herald dated 20 March 2015]

We are proposing that Bed and Breakfast operators with four or more rooms for hire be reclassified as commercial properties.

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We are proposing that all second dwellings of 50 square metres or less (i.e. "Granny Flats") will receive a rates remission (refund) of 50% of their fixed rates charges (e.g. UAGC, water charges).

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Yes, I agree with giving a rates remission to second dwellings of 50 square metres or less.

Do you agree with our proposal to give a rates remission to all second dwellings of 50 square metres or less? Please tell us why.

The remission of rates on a second unit used only by family and friends on a no-profit basis is a step in the right direction, as is also the reduction of certain specified rates on a 50sqm unit to 50%. Good though these may be, some similar reduction should also apply to a second unit that is not attached to the main house as these houses are usually also small e.g. a granny cottage. The rate charge of 50% should only apply to those units that are leased on a full time basis with a proper, written lease replete with all the other legalities of leasing. So far so good. However, the principal of Council rating policy should remain....

• Rates should not be charged twice on the same asset. Just because there happens to be two habitable units built on one land title is no reason to charge rates twice even if later under a policy it can be reduced by 50%.

To achieve a fair administration of this policy taking account of the ins and outs of other people's lives as they use the various assets built on their land is almost impossible. To implement this requires a lot of expensive administration and policing. This policy is in practice unjust and almost impossible for a bureaucracy to deal with.

Here are some of the situations known to these submitters that make the double rating policy unjust:

As permanent residents but having emigrated to NZ some years ago we do not have any family here who would use our second unit. Friends live in the local community so would not need to stay with us. To avoid being double rated we would have to sign an affidavit that we would not rent this unit for financial gain. It looks as though the property would stay permanently empty as we could not afford TCDC double-wammy annual rates - for this year \$4,384. We all know what happens when a property is uninhabited; bugs, mould, decay a possible fire hazard. It would be better to demolish the place. We did not want it in the first place, we bought this property because we liked the main house and its situation on McGregor Bay.

Used as a rental property with a good tenant and a proper lease, our granny cottage would not deteriorate and in the future could be used for carer's accommodation, or some such, as we grow seriously old.

Apart from the fact that the property is already being fully rated according to its QV valuation, all full year rental accommodation should not be charged the specified second TCDC rate as this charge would have to simple get passed on to the tenant as part of their weekly rental. In Coromandel our renters usually cannot afford to save the deposit to buy a house let alone paying a high rent, so the property would probably stay empty.

An alternative would be to let out the cottage to one or two night holiday-makers. The season is short, November to April. That is actually only over one month in the whole year. Visitors would be out all day looking at the sights. At night they would go out to eat or buy takeaways. Second units that are used for short-term visitor accommodation (Home Businesses) should not be rated at all either. Because of the short-term nature of these businesses the annual rates charged on the one property easily cover the short-term usage for visitor accommodation. In act family or friends might be using the second unit on a full-time basis.

We ourselves have only in the last several months learned our property would be rated under this policy - first it would be would be double-rated because of an enquiry made by us to the Council concerning full time renting. Their response that we would be double-rated if we received any money from non-family users was a huge shock. This situation highlights the difficulty the Council has in actually knowing what people are doing on their properties. Short of establishing a police state w

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No, I do not agree with either of the additional measures taken to support economic development in the Thames Community Board Area.

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Subject: submission for the long tern Plan

Hi

I would like to support the attached submission from the Eco Design Advisor Network.

I am a retired architect interested in sustainable design and was an Eco Design Adviser for the Wellington City Council before I retired. While working there I saw many people with poor living conditions due to lack of knowledge about sustainable building, and felt very satisfied to be able to help them make their living conditions better and save them money by reducing energy and health costs.

My husband and I have a bach at 27 Puriri Rd Te Kouma Coromandel Town and we have been driving there from Lower Hutt for nearly 30 years because we like the area so much. Lately we have retired and are spending between 4 to 6 months there and are getting to know it well. I heartily endorse the EDA service as a way of helping the TCDC work towards the objectives in the proposed long tern plan for 2015 to 2025

Coromandel has a warmer climate than Wellington but its climate, especially the high humidity, creates its own problems that the national building code does not cover adequately, what I have seen and read there are still many people living in houses with dampness, ventilation, heating and cooling problems. I feel that an Eco Design Advisor in the TCDC area could do a lot to lift the quality of living for them. At the recent public discussion in Coromandel Town about the Long Term Plan, the CEO noted the difficulty with the district because of its wide spread population and the fluctuations because of the tourism. The long term plan proposes to build up the strengths of each community in order to overcome problems from this, which I endorsed to him as being an excellent idea. This could be helped enormously by having an EDA working through the communities with Thames as a base.

Each EDA around New Zealand has different experience and qualifications behind them but that is one of their strengths because they share their knowledge and experience between them. It is an extremely good service and the TCDC would only benefit from it.

I will be in Coromandel for most of May and would be very happy to meet council officers in Thames to discuss it further with them if it would help in any way.

regards

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1 April 2015

Eco Design Advisor Network Submission to Thames Coromandel District Council Long Term Plan 2015-2025

The Eco Design Advisor Network is pleased to have the opportunity to comment on the Thames Coromandel District Council Long Term Plan and submits:

- We urge the Council to budget for the provision of an Eco Design Advisor. Eco Design Advisors undertake free or low cost in-home consultations with homeowners, provide free phone advice on new home or renovation plans, or on upgrading existing homes, and increase the understanding of sustainable building in the local Council area. Seven councils already provide this service, including Hamilton City Council.
 - Demonstrated success the 2013 national customer survey (see Supporting Information)
 indicates high satisfaction and high rates of improvements as a result of the advice.
 - Positive feedback indicates this is appreciated by participants as a constructive service provided by Council.
 - Contributes to upgrading the condition of the District's housing stock, reducing household running costs (energy/water) and improving residents' health.

There are numerous benefits to Thames Coromandel District Council. These include:

- raising the condition of the housing stock in the District to World Health Organisation standards and improving the energy and water efficiency of all houses, delivering an improved health and quality of life to current and future residents
- meeting the Council's vision that "Coromandel will be New Zealand's most desirable place to live, work and visit."
- encouraging and educating about water conservation as part of the Council's water demand strategy
- promoting sustainable building in design and construction, as required under the Building Act 2004 (sections 3, 4 and 172)
- being a key mechanism for championing sustainable design within the Council and feeding back into the development of council policy
- generating positive feedback by offering free, impartial advice and assistance to residents, designers and the building trade – the EDA service is one of the few "carrots" Council can offer in the building compliance area
- showing the Council as proactive and leading in sustainability issues.



Supporting information

Why Eco Design Advisors? A BRANZ study found there was a lack of factual, independent, tailored advice for homeowners, consumers and industry about sustainable building and how to improve house performance. They initiated the Eco Design Advisor service to fulfil that need.

Eco Design Advisors work within Council, usually associated with the Building or Environmental Services areas where there are strong work synergies. They undertake free or low cost in-home consultations with homeowners, provide free phone advice on new home or renovation plans, and present to industry and community groups and local professional and industry organisations to both promote the service and increase the understanding of sustainable building in the local Council area.

The location of the service inside Council is a key factor in providing homeowners with confidence that the advice is independent, trustworthy and meets Council policies and the requirements of the Building Code. Furthermore, the advisors undertake regular training, attend industry conferences and share resources with each other to keep abreast of industry trends and latest research.

The need for sustainable homes

New Zealand homes are generally cold, damp, unhealthy and inefficient in energy and water use:

- New Zealand homes are on average 6°C below World Health Organization recommended minimum temperatures in winter
- 45% of all New Zealand homes are mouldy
- New Zealand has the second highest rate of asthma in the world, and an excess winter mortality of 1600, a much higher rate than in other OECD countries
- Cold, damp homes pose serious health risks, particularly for the most vulnerable groups in the community who spend the most time at home.

Demonstrated success – National Customer Survey 2013

- Making their homes more energy efficient was the primary motivating factor for participants, while making it warmer and reducing running costs were also high priorities.
- There was a very high degree of satisfaction from participant homeowners and designers with the service offered 94% said the advice was either: useful, quite useful or very useful
- The service was having a significant impact on participant choices 81% indicated that they had made changes to their house following the advice, with 83% planning additional changes. Most popular change was installation of ceiling insulation (48%) followed by underfloor insulation (45%), curtains (38%), energy efficient lighting (23%), draught proofing (22%) and accessing Government funding (21%).
- Advice on changing behaviour is well-received, with habits like closing curtains at sunset, drying clothes outside, and opening windows to ventilate the house being followed.
- The service was resulting in significant improvements to the designs and performance of the dwellings which had been the subject of in-depth consultations.
- The method of delivery of the service (free consultations including in-home visits) was an effective method of achieving these outcomes.



Feedback - National Customer Survey 2013

"The advice I had was wow, the gentleman showed up on time though it was winter & he understood & gave perfect advice, I implemented everything except to control the draught from the doors etc because I do not know where to find the solution, I am really, really happy I got your services free of cost, I have also advised a few of my friends to benefit from it, you guys are really good at creating wow solutions, I ended up having a more functional home & a better way of life, thank you very, very much :):):)"

"Very happy with service. Was a big help in making decisions, especially with order to do things in, and also importance of each project."

"Fred Braxton [former Auckland Council EDA] was brilliant educator and identifier of commercial myth, I was utterly impressed by his breadth of knowledge and also his unabashed way if he did not know a topic - he said. A credit to the council, nice to see science based logic for a change."

"Fantastic service, would like to see solar power encouraged by government and have financial incentives for it or some financial assistance."

"This is a great service, and should be more available, as many people don't know that this is available and without cost."

"This service was very helpful for us in planning and has helped us to be clear about what we want and communicate this to our architectural designer. If our budget was larger we would do more..."

"Keep doing what you are doing, I have recommended the service to friends, so encourage word of mouth."

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We are proposing to move the funding of \$46.6M of debt on the Eastern Seaboard plants to be paid by rates rather than development. This is because some areas are growing slowly which means this debt would not be repaid until after the plant has been retired and latest capacity information shows much of the capacity of the plants is being used today.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 15 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to move the funding of debt on the Eastern Seaboard wastewater plants from development to rates?

No, I do not agree.

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I only agree with the new role at a cost of \$90,000 a year, not the additional \$50,000 per year.

We are proposing that the Whangamata Community Board accelerates their current gradual programme of footpath construction and kerbing and channel to key roads so that the programme is completed in years 1 and 2 of the Long Term Plan.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 26 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with the proposal that the Whangamata Community Board accelerates their current gradual programme of footpath construction and kerbing and channel to key roads?

Yes, I agree that the Whangamata Community Board accelerates their current gradual programme of footpath construction and kerbing and channel to key roads to be completed in years 1 and 2 of the Long Term Plan.

We are proposing a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway. This would be a project funded by Whangamata Community Board ratepayers and would support economic development.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 27 of the Consultation Document.

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Submission Draft Long Term 10 Year Plan. 9th April 2015

- 1. Oppose the proposed fixed \$200 charge on short stay accommodation providers. This is an unnecessary tax penalising small economic enterprise. Everyone benefits from economic development and to target one small group with a tax is unfair and unnecessary. As the entire community benefits from economic development then the entire community should pay via their rates...as it is now. This is the fair and appropriate method to support economic development.
- 2. Ensure the 46 million wastewater debt is not rated per the land value of properties. It would be most unfair if properties who did not receive wastewater services from the Council ended up paying more than their fair share. For example many rural properties have high land values and any rate to recover the debt based on land values would see rural properties paying more than urban properties receiving the wastewater services. There should be a number of rating methods available to Council to ensure the debt is fairly proportioned.
- 3. The same argument as above would also apply to any move to a district storm water charge. Properties with high land values especially in the rural areas should again not pay more than their fair share.
- 4. Support Council efforts to bring the "blue highway" into Coromandel Town. Support the dredging of Fury's Creek and a business case looking at both bringing the Ferry into Coromandel Town and the reclamation of land between Fury's Creek and the Coromandel Wharf. This is all about developing a vision with effective leadership. Without Council taking leadership on developing this vision then a status quo "of putting it into the too hard basket" will prevail. This project is too big for the Coromandel Community Board to drive it. It has to continue be driven, resourced and project managed at a District Level.
- 5. Every year via the Annual Plan process I always ask for funding to be budgeted for a new stream culvert on Rabarts Road at Tuateawa. I assume under this Plan my request would be seen as an operational matter. But whatever the process I would take this opportunity to state my case again. The current culvert is way undersized and requires replacing. Every heavy rain it overflows spilling down Rabarts Road. A larger culvert would fix this problem plus straighten the creek some which would allow a greater turn around area for vehicles. Rabarts Road is increasingly being used to access the sea and the current turn around area at the culvert struggles with a lack of turn space.

Thanks

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being locally funded?

No, I do not agree. Public toilets should remain funded through a district-wide rate.

Do you agree with our proposal that we move public toilets from being funded district-wide to being locally funded? Please tell us why

Our public toilets are extensively used by visitors passing through or staying in Tairua. Far more so than local use. These should be district funding.

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Do you agree with our proposal that we move cemeteries from being funded district-wide to being locally funded?

Yes, I agree that cemeteries should be funded locally.

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These are exclusive to Tairua district and should be funded locally.

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Do you agree with our proposal to move Tairua, Pauanui Whangamata and Coromandel information centres to local funding over the next three years? Please tell us why

Ref. 5 Tairua Information Centre. This is definitely NOT a local benefit only centre. The two biggest tourist attractions on the Peninsula are Cathedral Cove & Hot Water Beach. Huge numbers of visitors from Auckland by-pass Thames and head directly to Tairua as the gateway to the eastern coast of the peninsula. Our information centre is the first centre they arrive at and is always extremely busy giving out not only information on Tairua but also Cathedral Cove & Hot Water Beach. They want to know when high tide is, how they get there, where do they stay, where do they park, where do they eat and where do they camp? Tairua is becoming more and more a base from which to explore the whole coast line from Whangamata to Whitianga. Both of which are 40 minutes' drive away. Our Centre has some great events planned to encourage this and deserves to be recognised as a vital economic driver not only for Tairua but the whole eastern region. The funding for this should be district not local.

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No, I do not agree that short term accommodation providers should be charged an annual fixed rate.

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We oppose this unless we have a guarantee that all the funds collected from Tairua would be used exclusively for economic development projects in Tairua such as visitor centre initiatives and local walkways.

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Information relating to this question can be found on page 27 of the Consultation Document .

Do you support a series of memorial native forests here in the Coromandel?

Yes, I support a series of memorial native forests here in the Coromandel.

Tairua-Pauanui Community Space

	. Water Supply
Further comments on the Water Supply activity.	
on our water supply situation. We require T.C.D	We are extremely concerned at the lack of information 0.C. to guarantee that we will have all the water holding one enough water from winter /autumn rainfall to prevent estrictions.
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Yes, I agree

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I agree in part

[submitter attached 16 pages of signatures in support of the following statement]

We the undersigned are in full support of TCDC providing funding to support the sustainability and growth of InfoPlus and Whangamatanz.com as part of council's long term decision and planning procedures.

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Please select the option that best describes you.

I am submitting on behalf of an organisation/company which is based in the Thames-Coromandel District

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Submission to the Long Term Plan (LTP) 2015-2025

Please accept this submission on behalf of an ahi kaa roa (long time established/tangata whenua/Māori) group in Harataunga (Kennedy Bay) called Te Roopu Tautoko o Harataunga (TRT). We would like to make the following points about the draft LTP:

- 1. We support submissions that have previously been made by Te Kura Kaupapa Māori o Harataunga and other members of our community for a footbridge to be built next to the bridge that crosses Harataunga River on Kennedy Bay Road (locally known as Potae's Bridge"). The bridge has been a central meeting point and swimming place for our tāmariki and whānau for many decades but it is becoming increasingly dangerous. During summer, the number of people swimming at the bridge can swell to 50 or more - the situation is high risk and the writing is on the wall - THIS IS AN ACCIDENT WAITING TO HAPPEN. The problem has been created by tarsealing the roads, sub-division and housing development of our community. Tarsealed roads have reduced dust and increased the longevity of our cars but they have also increased the speed at which cars are travelling - the bridge is situated on a main highway that feeds traffic to settlements further north eg; Tuateawa, Little Bay and Waikawau. In addition the increase of whanau, tourists and holiday-makers have also been a contributing factor. Immediate action is needed to ensure the safety of our children and others in the community. We urge TCDC and the Coromandel-Colville Community Board to include this in the Coromandel-Colville Footpath Programme and make it a priority for funding.
- 2. Whilst the footbridge is a priority, there is also an urgent need for footpaths in our community because, as mentioned above, the roads are an increasingly dangerous place for walkers or cyclists to be, and that is what people in our community do in their spare time. That's how it's always been. Children, teenagers, elderly people and whānau walk or cycle to the bridge, and the beach and we walk or cycle to each other's houses. That is how we get around in our community. The changes that development is bringing to our community is introducing hazards that never used to be there in the form of speeding cars and the constant zoom, zoom, zoom of trucks, campervans, trailers with building materials, concrete trucks, water tankers and tourists and holiday makers and book-a-bachers. We urge TCDC to invest in footpaths throughout our community for the sake of our babies, families and future generations.

- 3. As with the previous two points, the volumes of tourists and holiday makers who pass through our community, on our lovely new tarsealed roads, are having another derogatory impact that needs to be addressed. The sacred maunga of Tokatea is desecrated by human defecation. With its stunning views of the Hauraki Gulf, Tokatea is promoted by local authorities, DOC and tourism operators as a marvellous place to visit, part of the beautiful Coromandel we supposedly treasure so much and so they come and they go for walks and they have picnics and they drink and eat and then they desecrate the whenua because there are no toilet facilities. When we go to these sacred places we are greeted by a zillion flies and pile after pile of stinking toilet papered kaka. We realise the provision of toilet facilities is not TCDC's sole responsibility but we ask that you take the lead in discussions with DOC and other relevant agencies to get the toilet built immediately. Again, this is a priority for our community.
- TRT has not had the opportunity to discuss issues raised by LTP in full but we
 vehemently oppose any and all changes that will increase the rates in Māori ancestral
 land.
- TRT supports the LTP proposal to plant World War 1 Memorial Forests around the Coromandel.

ngā mihi

Moana Hale Secretary Te Roopu Tautoko o Harataunga

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Economic Development

Further comments on the Economic Development activity.

No consideration has been taken into account of FREEDOM CAMPING on the services, public conveniences, reserves and the need for services provided for free with costs.

The Reason: The services provided to FREEDOM CAMPING is funded by the increase in public good in the Ten Year Plan funded by the general rates.

Decision Sought: Consideration and indication of this economic activity development in the plan.

	Thames -	 Community 	/ Spaces
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Further comments on the Thames - Community Spaces activity.

- . Coromandel-Colville Community Spaces
- . Mercury Bay Community Spaces
- . Tairua-Pauanui Community Space
- . Whangamata Community Spaces

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No, I do not agree. Tairua, Pauanui Whangamata district funded.

Do you agree with our proposal to move Tairua, Pauanui Whangamata and Coromandel information centres to local funding over the next three years? Please tell us why

Tairua Info Centre, not Whitianga and Thames, are the key info centre for Coromandel tourism.

TCDC proposals tend to suggest you continue to miss the POINT that TOURISM is the basis of wealth here.

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Yes, I agree with giving a rates remission to second dwellings of 50 square metres or less.

We are proposing a new fee for the Hahei Park and Ride, and to extend fees for Mercury Bay boat ramps and trailer parking areas to all upgraded boat ramp areas.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 25 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with the proposed fees for the Hahei I agree with the new fee for the Hahei Park and Ride Park and Ride and for Mercury Bay boat ramps and but not the extended fees for the Mercury Bay boat trailer parking?

ramps and trailer parking.

We are proposing that the Thames Community Board make additional investment in economic development to be funded from the targeted local rate in the Thames Community Board Area at a total cost of \$140,000. The proposal, which is for the first 3 years of the Long Term Plan includes:

- A new position to promote Thames at a cost of \$90,000 a year
- An additional \$50,000 per year to facilitate economic development in the area.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 26 of the Consultation Document .

Do you agree with the proposed additional investment in economic development in the **Thames Community Board Area?**

No, I do not agree with either of the additional measures taken to support economic development in the Thames Community Board Area.

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Hearing

Hearings will be scheduled for late April.

Would you like to speak at a hearing in support of No your submission?

Please select the option that best describes you. I live in the Thames-Coromandel District

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The Waikato Biodiversity Forum is a partnership between research and management agencies, Councils, iwi groups, private landowners, communities and projects to protect native biodiversity in the Waikato region. It operates independently of these management agencies and works for all members to increase biodiversity through running events and workshops, advocacy, information sharing, advisory service, public education and media articles.

1. Waikato Biodiversity Forum support

The Forum would like to thank the Council for its financial contribution over the past year. The Forum submits to continue the Council's annual \$3,000 contribution. The Forum will continue to provide the Council, community conservation groups and ratepayers with the following services and opportunities:

- Keep Council staff informed of opportunities to attend Forum events with other staff from Councils across the region who work on environmental issues;
- Provide biodiversity information to community conservation groups across the Coromandel Peninsula;
- Provide community groups and landowners with opportunities to attend Forum events to meet with others undertaking similar work;
- Provide Council staff and community conservation groups with Forum newsletters and other relevant biodiversity information;
- Provide information, feedback and assistance to Council staff on biodiversity aspects of plans and strategies;
- Run workshops for community conservation groups and landowners;
- Give support and advice to the management team driving the community response to the containment of kauri dieback disease on the Coromandel Peninsula;
- Provide the 0800 biodiversity advice to landowners and community conservation groups on the Coromandel Peninsula;
- Provide funding assistance and support to community conservation groups and landowners in preparing funding applications to undertake their conservation projects;
- Work with the Council's communications and media staff on biodiversity related material for the website and other publications.

2. Provision for Council's biodiversity related work

It is unclear in the LTP where the provision for undertaking biodiversity related work is carried out as mandated under the RMA.

3. Review of the Biodiversity Strategy

The review of the Council's Biodiversity Strategy isn't mentioned in the LTP. The updating of this Strategy is needed to meet the requirements of the Regional Policy Statement. The Forum offers its assistance with the review.

4. Tourism on the Coromandel

The Forum notes the development of the Great Walk to attract tourism to the Peninsula and submits that the community groups who work to improve the biodiversity adjacent to the Great Walk be recognised as contributing to this tourism project.

5. World War 1 Memorial Forests – Te Wao Whakamaumaharatanga

The Forum supports the Memorial Forest project to increase the flora on the Coromandel.

6. Coromandel - A Heritage Region

The Forum supports the concept of investigating a future Coromandel as a heritage region that "celebrates and cherishes its rich heritage and unique geography" including the regions natural heritage. Reviewing the Councils Biodiversity Strategy would act as a starting point to reach this vision.

7. Annual grant to Enviroschools

The Forum submits for the continued financial support of Enviroschools. This is a positive way of educating young people in environmental and conservation values and providing a link with schools on planting projects that the Council undertakes on its reserves around the Peninsula.

8. The Forum submits to continue the Councils annual \$3,000 plus (GST) contribution so that the ratepayers of the Coromandel have access to support and advice.

The Forum wishes to be heard.

Moira Cursey Waikato Biodiversity Forum Coordinator

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Information relating to this question can be found on page 20 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal that we move cemeteries from being funded district-wide to being locally funded?

No, I do not agree. Cemeteries should remain funded through a district-wide rate.

Do you agree with our proposal that we move cemeteries from being funded district-wide to being locally funded? Please tell us why

Funding for District Libraries, Info Centres, Public Toilets, Cemeteries should be district funded not at whim of local body elections every 3 years.

All information centres are currently funded through a district-wide rate. We are proposing over the next three years that the funding for the Tairua, Pauanui, Whangamata and Coromandel information centres be funded locally by ratepayers in those community board areas and that the Thames and Whitianga information centers remain funded at a district-wide level as they are key visitor information locations for the whole of the Coromandel Peninsula.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 21 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to move Tairua, Pauanui Whangamata and Coromandel information and Coromandel information centres should remain centres to local funding over the next three years? district funded.

No, I do not agree. Tairua, Pauanui Whangamata

Do you agree with our proposal to move Tairua, Pauanui Whangamata and Coromandel information centres to local funding over the next three years? Please tell us why

Funding for District Libraries, Info Centres, Public Toilets, Cemeteries should be district funded not at whim of local body elections every 3 years.

We are proposing a new annual fixed rate of \$200 for all short term accommodation providers (e.g. Bed and Breakfast operators, Book a Bach owners) as a contribution towards economic development expenditure.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 23 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to charge a new annual fixed rate of \$200 for all short term accommodation providers?

Yes, I agree that short term accommodation providers should be charged an annual fixed rate.

We are proposing that Bed and Breakfast operators with four or more rooms for hire be reclassified as commercial properties.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 23 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to reclassify Bed and Breakfast operators with four or more rooms for hire as commercial properties?

Yes, I agree that Bed and Breakfast operators with four or more rooms for hire should be reclassified as commercial properties.

We are proposing a rates remission (refund) for residents in a retirement village who don't qualify for the central government rates rebate because of how they own their homes.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 24 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to give a rate remission to residents in a retirement village who don't qualify for the central government rates rebate because of how they own their homes?

Yes, I agree that residents in a retirement village who don't qualify for the central government rates rebate because of how they own their homes should be given a rates remission.

We are proposing that all second dwellings of 50 square metres or less (i.e. "Granny Flats") will receive a rates remission (refund) of 50% of their fixed rates charges (e.g. UAGC, water charges).

Information relating to this question can be found on page 24 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to give a rates remission to all second dwellings of 50 square metres or less?

Yes, I agree with giving a rates remission to second dwellings of 50 square metres or less.

We are proposing a new fee for the Hahei Park and Ride, and to extend fees for Mercury Bay boat ramps and trailer parking areas to all upgraded boat ramp areas.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 25 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with the proposed fees for the Hahei Park and Ride and for Mercury Bay boat ramps and trailer parking?

Yes, I agree with the fees for the Hahei Park and Ride and for Mercury Bay boat ramps and trailer parking.

We are proposing that the Whangamata Community Board accelerates their current gradual programme of footpath construction and kerbing and channel to key roads so that the programme is completed in years 1 and 2 of the Long Term Plan.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 26 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with the proposal that the Whangamata Community Board accelerates their current gradual programme of footpath construction and kerbing and channel to key roads?

Yes, I agree that the Whangamata Community Board accelerates their current gradual programme of footpath construction and kerbing and channel to key roads to be completed in years 1 and 2 of the Long Term Plan.

We are proposing a series of memorial native forests around the Coromandel Peninsula in order to commemorate the NZ soldiers who died in World War 1.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 27 of the Consultation Document.

Do you support a series of memorial native forests No, I do not support a series of memorial native here in the Coromandel?

forests here in the Coromandel.

Do you support a series of memorial native forests here in the Coromandel? Please tell us why.

Should not be looking at funding luxuries i.e cycle/walking tracks, forest planting when dont have basic infrastructure in place. ie. water drainage, footpaths, industrial areas etc.

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Further comments on the Economic Development activity.

Should not be looking at funding luxeries i.e cycle/walking tracks, forest planting when dont have basic infrastructure in place. ie. water drainage, footpaths, industrial areas etc.

Tairua-Pauanui Community Space

Further comments on the Tairua-Pauanui Community Space activity.

Tairua Wharf Replace: Safe all tide boat launching facility: Provision of trailer boat parking and upgrade of Mary Beach Reserve;

More funding needs to be allocated for this long outstanding and URGENTLY needed project. The funding of \$1.2 million planned and costed for in 1998 and approved by Council in 2002 cannot be expected to complete this long delayed project in 2015. Unlike other towns, Tairua a seaside town, does not have a safe all tide boat launching ramp. The wharf is a TCDC asset depreciated over many years and should be replaced from the Council depreciation fund account.

Not included in this budget.

Redbridge Road Industrial Area;

Over 20 years and still not titles for the tenants of the TCDC owned industrial area. There is no sewage or water and the road access is an embarrassment. Tairua is the only town without a proper industrial area. Real estate agents advise that they are constantly receiving enquiries from people requiring industrial sites. Tairua is losing out on much needed economic development and employment. Money and resources are URGENTLY required to enable this area to become a viable and vibrant much needed industrial are NOW!!!!

Indoor Recreation Centre:

Funding needs to be reinstated for this much needed facility in Tairua. Our Community Hall is used to capacity. Tairua is a town. Our population is increasing. The primary school roll not stands at 136 with more children to enrol during the year. The kindergarten roll is closed because it is at capacity and there is a waiting list. Tairua does not require a \$3 million grandiose facility. A concrete block building attached to the fabulous Hornsea Road Bowling Club facility on recreation reserve land would be cost effective.

Water Supply

Further comments on the Water Supply activity.

TAIRUA WATER SUPPLY......Funding urgently required to be allocated to Tairua water supply. Water restrictions still apply that were put in place at beginning December 2014. If all property owners lived permanently in area there would be insufficient water supply. Rates are being collected to provide basic services that are not in place. We do not have a water problem —just a storage problem. In 2001 a dam was due to be constructed for \$1.1 million which would have given Tairua sufficient storage capacity for 6 months without rain. At last minute Council decided they wanted a combined system with Pauanui. Now in 2015 this has not happened and costs have risen for Tairua alone to over \$4 million. We have a third world system which is unacceptable. What would happen in the event of a major fire??

Hearing

Hearings will be scheduled for late April.

Would you like to speak at a hearing in support of Yes your submission?

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Please select the option that best describes you. I live in the Thames-Coromandel District

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Speak at a hearing in support of your submission? Yes

In Summary

We request that:

- Due to the confirmed presence of the unwanted organism kauri dieback disease
 (Phytophthera taxon agathis PTA) on the Coromandel Peninsula, TCDC must develop a plan
 and set aside a budget to *prevent* infection of kauri on Council land and reserves and to
 manage the disease should it be identified on Council-owned or administered land.
- 2. Retain the \$3000 per year currently allocated towards the operation of the Waikato Biodiversity Forum on the Coromandel Peninsula

1 Kauri Dieback Disease

Kauri dieback is a soil-borne disease that threatens kauri and the kauri ecosystem. This microscopic pathogen infects and kills the fine feeding roots of kauri. It is inevitably fatal to kauri of all sizes and ages, and is spread through soil and ground water movement. The key vectors have been identified as soil movement due to human activity and animals (feral pigs and goats, livestock etc.), and streams. Non-vector spread has been estimated at around 3m p.a. through natural soil water transmission.

Because it can take many years for symptoms to become evident it is not possible to state with certainty that an area is not infected simply because there are no visible signs. Spores produced in infected tree roots or living in the soil are known to survive for many years, and any disturbance of infected roots and soil simply helps move the spores further, faster.

There is no known cure.

In 2008 PTA was declared an Unwanted Organism by the then Ministry of Agriculture and Forestry (now Ministry of Primary Industries) under the Biosecurity Act 1993, and a long term national management programme was initiated the following year to contain the spread of the disease and protect uninfected kauri.

The only way New Zealand's kauri forests can be saved is to contain the disease in existing locations and prevent it spreading into healthy areas by limiting access to infected areas and to significant stands of kauri, and by ensuring people stay off kauri roots and clean footwear, equipment and vehicles and machinery before and after visiting or working in and around kauri forests.

Economic contribution of kauri

The Coromandel Peninsula contains significant areas of exceptional biodiversity values, with more than half the Thames-Coromandel District in native bush and a third of the District in public conservation land. However TCDC is also responsible for approximately 2000 ha of parks and reserves containing significant biodiversity. This includes 107 known nationally threatened species

(51 flora species and 56 fauna species) within the District, some of which are not found elsewhere* and stands of significant mature native kauri.

There are numerous kauri existing on private and public land on the Coromandel and a high number of visitors walking within kauri lands on the Peninsula from outside the district where PTA is present.

Kauri not only merit protection for their biodiversity and cultural value, but also because they contribute to the prosperity of the Peninsula as a special component of the Coromandel experience for visitors. Take kauri out of the equation due to track closures etc and that is one less visitor attraction to encourage people to stay longer on the Peninsula, with a potential impact on local tourism and accommodation providers. Due to the high value of the native bush environment to the wellbeing and economy of the District, and taking into account the projects proposed elsewhere in this plan to increase the number of visitors to the Coromandel Peninsula's network of walking tracks (operational and proposed), the Forum submits that the Thames-Coromandel District Council must set aside a budget to develop and implement a plan to prevent infection of kauri on its land and manage the disease should it be identified on Council-owned and managed land.

We believe that TCDC has a responsibility to partner with the national dieback programme, the Coromandel community and Tangata Whenua to protect kauri and kauri ecosystems on Council land to ensure that this unwanted organism is not spread. To manage this biosecurity risk, the network of protection for kauri on the Peninsula must be comprehensive, including all sites containing kauri, natural and planted, regardless of ownership or tenure. Council owned and managed sites are inevitably public places, readily accessible, heavily visited by locals and visitors alike and therefore at high risk of the disease being imported.

Measures could and should include the establishment and improvement of boardwalks where necessary to keep people off kauri roots, installation and maintenance of trigene stations that allow visitors and users of the forest to clean their gear prior to entering kauri lands, a communications and marketing programme that includes advertising budgets targeting visitors and ratepayers, and support for community groups and volunteers – notably the ongoing work of the Coromandel Kauri Dieback Forum – which is undertaking practical measures and public awareness campaigns and events to protect kauri on the Coromandel Peninsula.

Other councils where kauri dieback is present - including Northland Regional Council, Waikato Regional Council and Auckland City – have committed to a partnership with the national Kauri Dieback Management Programme (KDMP), a joint agency partnership that also comprises the Ministry for Primary Industries, the Department of Conservation, Bay of Plenty Regional Council and Maori.

Action sought: For TCDC to effectively manage its land and work with community volunteers and with the national Kauri Dieback Management Programme partnership, a budget must be identified and a plan of action drafted by the appropriate staff with input as required by partner agencies and the community, and carried out with appropriate and realistic staff resourcing.

2 Support for Waikato Biodiversity Forum

The Forum submits that TCDC should reinstate the \$3000 per year currently allocated towards the operation of the Waikato Biodiversity Forum on the Coromandel Peninsula. This organisation has been operating for 12 years to link and support community conservation groups and landowners throughout the Coromandel Peninsula with information, workshops, advocacy at a central

Government level, and assistance to Council staff on biodiversity aspects of plans and strategies. The Waikato Biodiversity Forum is an invaluable resource for environmental and conservation groups on the Coromandel Peninsula, and delivers practical value at least equal to - probably exceeding - the annual \$3000. The services and knowledge provided by the Forum enable Peninsula conservation, landowner and ratepayer groups to function more effectively, delivering benefits directly back into local communities and in the process also ensuring these groups use funding from Council and elsewhere more efficiently. It was the support of the Waikato Biodiversity Forum that helped the community response to the containment of kauri dieback disease on the Coromandel Peninsula become a reality in the form of the Coromandel Kauri Dieback Forum, and we are also aware of other projects, such as the Matarangi Reserve walking track, that have benefited from the WBF expertise.

Action sought: The \$3000 per year currently allocated towards the operation of the Waikato Biodiversity Forum on the Coromandel Peninsula should/must be reinstated.

^{*} TCDC proposed District Plan 2013 PART II - OVERLAY ISSUES, OBJECTIVES AND POLICIES Section 6.

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Grants and Remissions

Further comments on the Grants and Remissions activity.

I wish to make a submission to the Draft Long –term Plan on an area that is not covered under the headings in your document. I am the deputy principal of St Francis School and the teacher leading the Enviro-School programme for our school.

My submission relates to the on-going centralised funding of the Enviro-Schools facilitator in this area as the importance and relevance of her work to this district is paramount to our school and other schools and education centres throughout the Peninsula. The facilitator for the last 5 years in this area is Beccy Dove.

It is so important that students learn about caring for our planet and know that they can take action that contributes to this. We have been empowered to do this with the support of the facilitator who has worked with the whole staff, led student meetings and been involved with the students on many occasions with hands- on projects in the school and around the community.

We have enjoyed over five years of being involved in the Enviro-Schools movement, and have recently been awarded Silver enviro- schools status.

From 2011 the students have led a vision for the school that has seen a steady improvement in actions to make our school and town a more sustainable community. We have enhanced and beautified our environment and been involved in wider community projects. As our facilitator's work is also backed

by funding and support from the Waikato Regional Council, we have enjoyed the opportunity to be involved with the wider Waikato Enviro-Schools family with days visiting other schools and attending workshops.

The major emphasis has always been on empowering students to take responsibility for sustainable practises and in caring for the environment and the facilitator's role in leading the students and teachers is so important.

Some of the actions we have been involved in are:

- Growing native trees from locally sourced seeds and planting these in the town at the William Hall Reserve, Transfer station, the Hauraki Tce playground area and the Totara Cemetery.
- 2 Vegetable gardening
- 3 Growing fruit trees
- 4 Worm farming
- 5 Art projects to beautify our school
- 6 Fundraising for communities and national charities
- 7 Working with other schools on Inquiry-based projects and actions
- 8 Learning about our Maori culture and aspects of culture that relate to the environment
- 9 Reducing waste
- 10 Education about healthy eating
- 11 Litterless lunches

St Francis School want to move forward on the Enviro-Schools journey and ask for continued support for the facilitator in the form of centralised funding. This will benefit our students, our school and the wider Thames Coromandel area.

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We are proposing a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway. This would be a project funded by Whangamata Community Board ratepayers and would support economic development.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 27 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with the proposed consutruction of a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway, to be funded locally by Whangamata Community Board ratepayers?

Yes, I support the construction of a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway.

Do you agree with the proposed consutruction of a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway, to be funded locally by Whangamata Community Board ratepayers? Please tell us why.

We request that Council bring the Business Case investigation of this proposal forward to year one of the district plan (2015/16). The undersigned welcome and look forward to contributing to the investigation process. Following the Business Case outcome make a commitment to begin capital works in year two (2016/17).

We also request that Council immediately submit to NZTA to change the speed limit on Wentworth Valley Road to 50km/h.

Wentworth Valley Road, Whangamata is zoned rural-residential and is a No Exit Road. The road is predominantly used by residents, tourists, campers, local day trippers, walkers, cyclists and school parties to access the many walks, camp, picnic areas and education facilities at the end of the road. Thames Coromandel District Council, Destination Coromandel, Department of Conservation, Visitor Centre and local accommodation establishments all promote the area. The TCDC has used a photo of Wentworth Valley waterfall on the front of the 2015-2025 district plans, demonstrating its iconic status within the area.

[submitter attached signatures from Wentworth Valley Road residents in support of submission] [submitter outlined a number of reasons in support of their submission]

Health and Safety issues that we wish to highlight

- 1 Motorists travelling from a temporary 70km/h tar sealed state highway into a 100km/h narrow, loose gravel road with many blind corners.
- 2 Dust, causing visibility issues for motorists; respiratory and visibility issues for cyclists / walkers and farming issues for residents.
- 3 Continuous and expensive potholing week on week.
- 4 Increase in foreign tourists using the road unaware which side to drive on.
- 5 Poorly cambered road edges creating slope hazards for vehicles, cyclists and walkers forcing them to fail to keep left, creating further hazard to oncoming road users.
- Blind corners causing visibility issues which, when combined with the 100kmph speed limit, poorly cambered road edge construction and narrow width all multiply to create vehicle and human safety hazards.

The Department of Conservation has a foot traffic counter situated 1km up from the start of the waterfall track which unfortunately is currently out of order however historical data supplied by Greg Van Der Lee of DOC shows that the figures for foot traffic:

2010/11 Financial year first six months: 5179 persons

2011/12 Financial Year: months 7-12 = 4083 persons:: months 1-6 = 7516. Total persons 11599

2012/13 Financial Year: months 7-12 = 4237 persons:: months 1-6 = 10185 persons. Total persons 14422

These figures are for the waterfall track alone and do not take into account users of the campground, picnic areas, swimming holes, mines track walkers, Gold Mountain walkers and users of further amenities in the area located below the counter.

Mrs Nicola Flanagan, Lease owner of the Doc Campground has provided figures for the campers using the campground showing a 257% increase January 2015 compared to January 2014. The indicative trend is a continual increase in numbers of persons using the road and the residents are adamant that the Wentworth Valley Road is no longer fit for purpose having grown from a quiet rural road to a high user tourism road.

The Wentworth Valley Road in its current state makes it unable to be driven on by hirers of motor vehicles and camper vans as their insurance is null and void in this situation. This insurance issue impacts on the amount of visitors staying within the area and the visitors using the facilities that Whangamata Township provides, thereby decreasing potential revenue for the area. This will only get worse if the only other campground left in Whangamata (Barbara Avenue) which is currently for sale is sold and redeveloped. Russet Grove Magnolias leaf business situated alongside Wentworth Valley Road has advised us that they have to fully wash all of their product before taking it to market due to dust degradation. Russet Grove which is also used for horse grazing and breeding has also advised an escalation in respiratory health problems with the horses. Wentworth Valley Orchards growing Persimmons advise that tree growth and fruit quality is compromised due to dust and all fruit require washing before market. Farmers have advised dust is compromising pasture quality and therefore feed loss and condition loss of cattle grazing the roadside which in turn results in a downturn in revenue for these farms.

All residents of Wentworth Valley are 100 per cent behind the Council vision of promoting tourism in the Coromandel and are pleased that the area we live in does its part in this promotion.

We are all willing to meet and assist in planned upgrades as the residents are daily users of the road and have a vast knowledge of the evolving use of the road, environmental impact and storm issues.

We look forward to working with Council to resolve this escalating issue.

[submitter attached photos in support of their submission which show condition of Wentworth Valley Road]

	Whangamata	Community	Spaces
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Hearing

Hearings will be scheduled for late April.

Would you like to speak at a hearing in support of your submission?

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Please select the option that best describes you. I am submitting on behalf of an organisation/company which is based in the Thames-Coromandel District

Yes

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Rates/Debt

Further comments on Rates/Debt.

2. FINANCIAL STRATEGY Council's emphasis on maintenance and maintaining current service levels is supported. The constraint on rates increases in recent years has been valuable to the rural community. We appreciate the extensive challenges faced by Council in the area of core infrastructure, and believe that Council is doing a good job of managing the situation pragmatically. The revenue shortfall in development contributions to fund the debt on the Eastern Seaboard wastewater plants is acknowledged, and it is positive that Council has directly addressed the problem in this LTP. Development contribution shortfalls are affecting a number of councils and can potentially drive up debt. Federated Farmers totally supports council's target of future average cumulative rate increases of no more than CPI. While this is not achieved across the life of this LTP it is important that the affordability of council services is not out of line with the cost of living, and council should continue to strive toward this objective. The forecast decline in external debt from 2016/17, shown on page 9 of the Consultation Document is encouraging. 3. CHANGES TO THE RATING SYSTEM TCDC makes extensive use of the rating mechanisms available in the Local Government (Rating) Act, producing what we believe to be a reasonably balanced and equitable rating system. The combination of a general rate, uniform annual general charge, local rates and other targeted rates reflects TCDC's philosophy of spreading the rates burden fairly and equitably "... ensuring that those who cause the need for the service are, as far as possible, contributing to those costs" (p.8 consultation document). This approach contributes a lot to the sustainability of what council is doing - as everyone in the community experiences the real cost of maintaining local and general services.

Revenue and Financing Policy

Further comments on the Revenue and Financing Policy.

4. REVENUE AND FINANCING POLICY Overall we support the mix of changes to the funding of stormwater, information centres, cemeteries, and economic development. These changes, including the proposed short term accommodation charge of \$200, fall within the rating philosophy mentioned above. Federated Farmers supports the extensive use of targeted rates and uniform charges within the rating system. This ensures that the rating system is transparent and balanced between the communities making up the district.

Hearing

Hearings will be scheduled for late April.

Would you like to speak at a hearing in support Yes of your submission?

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TCDC Long Term Plan 2015 – 2025 Submission

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9 April 2015

We wish to speak in support of our submission (please note the speaker may not be the signatory)

Ken Bush (Chairperson)

1. Funding Debt on the Eastern Seaboard Wastewater Plants with Rates

We agree (with conditions)

This should be reviewed annually based on the level of development contributions being received, which may offset future rate increases.

2. Stormwater changing from Local to District Funded

We do not agree...

As this will be applied retrospectively. Retained earnings should be 'retained 'within the community they have been collected from, to ensure projects previously identified in LTPs are delivered as per TCDC policy.

Pg 26 Statement of Financial Reserves - "RETAINED EARNINGS

Year end surplus or deficit rate revenue which can only be applied to fund either operating, capital renewals or capital increased levels of service expenditure in the area of benefit which the rate was collected."

Specific Pauanui projects i.e. Holland Close and Mount Avenue flooding have been deferred from previous LTP despite numerous investigations carried out and without work being undertaken to rectify flooding issues.

3. Public toilets changing from District to Locally Funded

We agree

4. Cemeteries changing from District to Locally Funded

We agree

5. Information Centre funding changes

We agree (with conditions)

For equity and fairness to all ratepayers, subsequent to the 3 year phase in period (where a proportion of the funding is still district) ALL information centres and i-sites including Thames and Whitianga should be <u>locally</u> funded. Best business practice would be to situate a discovery centre for the whole of the Coromandel Peninsula at Kopu, funded by TCDC, DOC and lwi whilst still retaining smaller satellite information centres where they are currently located.

6. Annual Fixed Rate of \$200 for B & B operators

Neutral submission

7. B & B operators with four or more bedrooms to become commercial

Neutral submission

8. Rates Remission for Retirement Village Residents

Neutral submission

9. Rates Remission for second dwellings of 50m2 or less

We agree

10. Hahei Park & Ride Fee Change

Neutral

11. Thames Community board Economic Development Additional Investment

Neutral

12. Whangamata Community Board Footpath Construction Acceleration

Neutral

13. Wentworth Valley Cycleway Construction

Neutral

14. WWI Memorial Native Forests

We agree

FURTHER COMMENTS

15. Coastal and Harbour Erosion Funding

Our Association requests that funding be included in the LTP Why?

a) Mayor Leach has acknowledged that erosion is one of the biggest issues related to the Peninsula

- b) Ministers of the Crown have identified during Treaty negotiations, that Pauanui specifically is an erosion zone.
- c) Health and Safety issues are being ignored as no action is being taken to remedy dangerous 4 5 metre ocean beach dune drop offs (sheer dune faces) that have been created by erosion.
- d) Health and Safety issues are being ignored as a recent storm driven dune wave breach was very close to inundating a beach front property due to dune erosion.
- e) Health and Safety issues Beach Access ways are not being properly maintained to an acceptable standard. Inadequate and short term repair is undertaken by using sand taken directly from the dune adjacent to an access way (thus increasing the dune damage) to make repairs when sand ladders are undermined by wave action. Beach access ways should be constructed at a 45 degree angle from the esplanade down to the beach level and be less than 1m in width. Current perpendicular sand ladders are requiring too much maintenance and many have timber slats that are too widely spaced for safety. Our association believes that with community input a cost effective, lower maintenance design can be achieved.
- f) Property and amenity values could be jeopardised by no implementation of any erosion control programme.
- g) Health and Safety issues Royal Billy Point Boat Ramp Silting. This council maintained facility is constantly rendered unusable due to wind/water borne sand that has been eroded from the Ocean Beach. In the event of an emergency, launching of the Coastguard Boat located there would have been impossible due to sand build up. Concerns from our Association, the Coastguard and Local Harbour Master and accompanying correspondence have been relayed to TCDC. None of the aforementioned parties wish to see a water fatality occurring due to lack of ramp maintenance and request that urgent attention is given to addressing this issue.

A working group in Pauanui consisting of TCDC Staff, Coastal Scientist Jim Dahm, Community Board Members and Local Residents has been established to provide a long term erosion strategy for Pauanui. Despite this and the issues listed above, no funding has been allocated in the LTP to prevent, remedy and manage erosion as it occurs.

INTERRELATED ISSUE

Our Association also requests that more effective boat ramp management be implemented, namely an increase to the current sand removal consent that only allows for 100m^3 per day to be removed. This volume should be increased to allow for effective and economic removal and transfer of sand from this high use recreational and operational facility and back to the beach front erosion zones.

A levy should be applied across the district to address this very serious Peninsula wide issue.

16. Rabbit Control

Our Association requests that funding be allocated from Local Budgets to facilitate an effective ongoing eradication programme.

17. Disabled Beach Access

Our association requests that funding be allocated to implement disabled beach access in alignment with the current TCDC Disability Strategy

18. Drinking Water Supply Upgrade – volume and quality

Funding allocated to address this high profile issue has been deferred until 2020/21 and reduced to \$559 000 in the current LTP. This issue is of highest significance within both our resident and non-resident community. Our Association is currently working with TCDC staff to establish facts and clarify issues and we request that urgent consideration is given to this issue and adequate funding applied earlier than 2020.

TAIRUA PAUANUI COMMUNITY BOARD AREA (Pg 38 LTP Consultation Document)

19. Funding Allocated for Royal Billy Point Ramp and Pontoon Improvements 2017/18 \$370 000

We agree

20. Pauanui Wharf Pontoon Replacement 2018/19 \$112 000

We agree

21. Pauanui Trail

We agree with conditions

This is an invaluable amenity for the community that has seen a successful trail be constructed at minimal cost. The allocated funding of \$50000 needs to be brought forward by one year from 2016/17 to 2015/16 to ensure that the stage of the trail currently under construction can be completed.

Additionally any further stages of the proposed trail should be district funded as part of the Coromandel Great Walks project, as is the case in other areas such as Hahei.

22. Minor Reserves Projects including Pauanui Waterway Tennis Courts Upgrade

We agree

It is imperative this amenity is maintained to ensure maximum longevity of this highly utilised Council asset

23. Hikuai Settlement Road

We agree with conditions

Funds allocated for safety improvements in previous LTP have been removed. Hikuai Settlement Road has an extremely high recreational use and as the only feeder road into and out of Pauanui, also has a very high traffic usage, particularly in the peak period. It is currently non-compliant with the TCDC district plan for numerous reasons including non-compliance for inadequate width in some areas. Safety improvements must be a priority and carried out sooner than 2024/25 to ensure that this road remains free of fatalities. This funding must not be purely dependent on future development at the township end, as this affects a very small proportion of this 11.5 km stretch of road. Our Association requests that the widening of the one lane bridge is an improvement that should be undertaken sooner than 2024/25.

24. Further submission re Minor Reserves Projects

Power Supply and BBQ at Pleasant Point

This highly utilised small vessel launching area would very much benefit from lighting for the toilets that could be motion controlled in order to be energy efficient. Additionally it would also be of great benefit to the recreational users to install a BBQ on the reserve. In alignment with the Community Empowerment Model adopted by TCDC and using local resources and input, our association requests funding to install both a power supply and BBQ. Our association has costed the power supply installation and advise that it could be done for less than \$2000 plus consent costs, (with additional funding for the BBQ and installation).

TCDC Long Term Plan 2015 – 2025 Submission

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9 April 2015

We wish to speak in support of our submission (please note the speaker may not be the signatory)

Gary Fowler (Chairperson)

PAUANUI TRAIL FUNDING

This project will be of major economic and recreational benefit to the community by providing an invaluable recreational resource at minimal cost to TCDC. The working group is currently very close to having the second stage of the trail completed, however the project is currently unable to be finished due to lack of financial resources.

The \$50000 of funding allocated in the Long Term Plan in 2016/17 needs to be brought forward by one year to 2015/16 to enable the stage of the trail currently under construction to be completed.

Additionally any further stages of the proposed trail should be <u>district funded</u> as it is in complete alignment with the Council's current Economic Development Strategy to encourage tourism. It is also within the same scope as the Coromandel Great Walks – one of TCDC three anchor projects.

This submission is on behalf of an organisation which is based in the Thames Coromandel District.

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Do you agree with the proposed additional investment in economic development in the Thames Community Board Area? Please tell us why.

Thames Town Promotion I support the position of town promoter for Thames – but I also I believe that you will need to continue to invest in external groups – if you do not then the town promoter will not have as rich a portfolio of events and activities to promote. The role of the town promoter needs to be clearly defined; Is the function to promote the town; is the function to arrange large events; is the function to coordinate between businesses and community groups and facilitate cooperation between them; or is the function to provide assistance to community groups in the areas where they require help – any of these functions is a full time job in its own right.

We are proposing a series of memorial native forests around the Coromandel Peninsula in order to commemorate the NZ soldiers who died in World War 1.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 27 of the Consultation Document .

Do you support a series of memorial native forests here in the Coromandel?

Yes, I support a series of memorial native forests here in the Coromandel.

Do you support a series of memorial native forests here in the Coromandel? Please tell us why.

Strengthen our local environment. I commend you on your commemoration forest. I believe that tree planting is one of the most important activities we can undertake to protect and conserve our local environment. I also believe that this concept could be extended to create a sustainable local development business by setting up a carbon credit scheme. In partnership with Ngati Maru and DOC, GPS and photograph giant forest trees. Sell guardianship (protection) rights to these

trees along with a new tree of the same species planted as part of the package. Internationally, this is a way for people to personally offset their carbon emissions. Money raised goes towards pest control, tree raising and planting. Provides employment. Multi-layered benefits include prevention of erosion (soil is a non-renewable resource), pest control (encourages regeneration), slows down runoff in severe weather events and helps to prevent flooding. Also riparian planting helps to protect waterways and will help to protect fisheries in the Firth.

. Representation

Further comments on the Representation activity.

1 **Continue to invest in your voluntary community**. Strengthen your community empowerment model. Invest more resources in your Community Boards – the contestable funds are always oversubscribed. I believe your return on investment is approx. 20:1.

Because there are different expectations of the position, you need to ensure that you set clear goals, clear boundaries and that the outcomes expected are do-able – and there is a reasonable operating budget and a clear reporting path.

I believe many of the issues/opportunities are entrenched in the town's psyche and culture and it would be worthwhile to ask some searching questions. Ie Why is there no business association, why is there no coordinated marketing effort etc. Why do volunteer groups not coordinate more closely?

Strategic Planning

Further comments on the Strategic Planning activity.

Support the Arts. Decide to develop an arts strategy and employ a local professional artist to do the work. The development work acts as a catalyst to start the implementation process. The arts matter and the benefits are personal, social and economic. The arts are what make us unique - they give us a sense of our own identity and bring us together. They change our perception of the world around us; they give us a way for exploring, and understanding the world in which we live. They empower us; give us voice. They bring us together. They heal us, bring us joy, enlighten us, and enrich our lives. They can open us up for new possibilities; Bring wonder and magic back into our lives. And it doesn't matter how young or old we are or to which culture we belong, art speaks to what makes us human. The arts are good for the soul. Art and creative practices also underpin the creative industries which are second only to Fonterra in their contribution to the economy. As part of your economic strategy proactively seek out creative entrepreneurial people. Invite boat designers and builders to set up shop at Kopu. They will be feeling vulnerable with the threat of cuts to government funding for the Americas Cup and facing high rents and costs to do business in Auckland. Also bring superfast broadband to Grahamstown and invite Auckland's creative community. They are also now exposed to higher rentals and other costs associated with living in Auckland. Their work can be done at a distance. Maybe we need daily transport to Papakura to meet the train.

Coastal and Hazard Management

Further comments on the Coastal and Hazard Management activity.

1 **Recognise and acknowledge our vulnerabilities** and plan how we can ameliorate the impacts. How are you going to deal with properties build on sand and exposed to coastal erosion? High levels of flooding? Who is going to pay?

Economic Development

Further comments on the Economic Development activity.

- Conserve and strengthen our knowledge base and train our young people in artisan "real world" traditional skills. We need to capitalise on the fact that we have a community of older people and we do not want to lose their skills. We need to place a high priority in transferring the knowledge and wisdom within our older community to our young people. Set up basic community education. Tim Shadbolt attracted people to Invercargill with free education. These kinds of apprentice skills (building, welding, plumbing, horticulture etc) should help our community and young people become more self-reliant and self-sufficient. There will be future work opportunities in rescue and rebuilding.
- Support Heritage. Heritage like the arts is one of the foundations of our sense of identity and one of the main reasons why people come to visit the Coromandel. I support your vision of Coromandel Heritage Region but much works needs to be done in improving the relationship between council and the heritage sector. The perception by the heritage community is one of many years of Council neglect and threat. This area needs substantial and sustained action. You will need to create a dedicated position within TCDC to tackle the issues and opportunities within heritage and help with resourcing the many changes that will be needed. You already have a strong voluntary community involved who are passionate about protecting our heritage but you will have to show positive change. Consider moving the band rotunda in Thames from tapu ground so that we can use it as a resource.

Thames - Community Spaces

Further comments on the Thames - Community Spaces activity.

Strengthen and support our libraries . There is a growing trend to rely on the internet as our knowledge base. It is important to recognise that we do not have control over the servers where this information is stored and that the much of this information is not manifest in the real world. (Check out the Carrington Event). Also as part of a heritage strategy, there should be a comprehensive collection of local publications and ephemera conserved for future generations.

Thames also has no clearly articulated narrative on what makes it different from any other small rural community in NZ — while TCDC's vision is for Thames to be a great place to live, work and play (and the Thames community board has been empowered to facilitate economic and community development in Thames), we still don't know what your priorities are?

We currently have no arts (coming?) heritage (coming?), culture and sustainability policy framework so if we can only create one new position, maybe it should undertake this role. On the other hand ad hoc community development over the past 15 years has helped to create a vibrant community – maybe this is the best way forward in uncertain times and we should strengthen what we are already doing well. Ad hoc opportunism is the policy option that currently exists.

Thames has so much going for it but we may need an overarching story. Some of the words I would use to describe Thames are resilience and innovation; retro tech. The way forward is through creativity and education.

The current role of Destination Coromandel is to attract visitors to the Kopu Bridge but not to ensure they are entertained once they get here (except with large events). Community events and our artisan businesses may not attract visitors from overseas but they do enhance the visitor experience once they are here because they show off the richness of our arts, heritage and culture.

With the move to bring the I-Site under Destination Coromandel's wing, surely this is the time to change Destination Coromandel's mandate so they can take on both aspects of marketing The Coromandel on their database. (Checkout Shopikon New York). We need a large community noticeboard outside the Civic Centre managed by the I-site to keep it current and a noticeboard at the Kopu bridge where the Rail Trail divides, inviting people to visit Thames with what's on offer here.

Coromandel-Colville - Community Spaces

Further comments on the Coromandel-Colville - Community Spaces activity.

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Mercury Bay - Community Spaces

Further comments on the Mercury Bay - Community Spaces activity.

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Tairua-Pauanui Community Space

Whangamata Community Spaces

Further comments on the Whangamata Community Spaces activity.

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Other

Further comments.

Congratulations on the substantial work you have undertaken to produce your ten year plan. Thank you for the opportunity to input into this process.

We live in a world of rapid and accelerating change (population growth and increasing longevity, increasing consumption and pressures on food supply systems, increasing technological change and knowledge explosion, increasing pollution and climate disruption. While day to day everything seems business as usual, increasing complexity (bought with cheap oil) makes us fragile and vulnerable to disruption. As oil reserves diminish, this complexity will unravel at the same time we will be exposed to more severe weather events impacting on degraded environmental systems. We are unable to slow the rate of change – it is bigger than us. We are living within a global system in a positive feedback loop which in nature is an inherently unable system and will burn out.

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We are proposing to move the funding of \$46.6M of debt on the Eastern Seaboard plants to be paid by rates rather than development. This is because some areas are growing slowly which means this debt would not be repaid until after the plant has been retired and latest capacity information shows much of the capacity of the plants is being used today.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 15 of the Consultation Document .

Do you agree with our proposal to move the funding of debt on the Eastern Seaboard wastewater plants from development to rates?

Yes, I agree

Stormwater is currently an activity which is paid for by ratepayers within each community board area. We are proposing that this should be funded at a district level as one of our essential services.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 19 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal that we move stormwater from being locally funded to district-wide funding?

Yes, I agree that stormwater should be funded district-wide.

Public toilets are currently paid for by a district wide rate. We are proposing that these facilities should be paid for by ratepayers within each of the local community board areas as they are a local service.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 20 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal that we move public toilets from being funded district-wide to being locally funded?

Yes, I agree that public toilets should be funded locally.

Cemeteries are currently paid for by a district-wide rate. We are proposing that these facilities should be paid for by ratepayers within each of the local community board areas as these are a local service.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 20 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal that we move cemeteries from being funded district-wide to being locally funded?

Yes, I agree that cemeteries should be funded locally.

All information centres are currently funded through a district-wide rate. We are proposing over the next three years that the funding for the Tairua, Pauanui, Whangamata and Coromandel information centres be funded locally by ratepayers in those community board areas and that the Thames and Whitianga information centers remain funded at a district-wide level as they are key visitor information locations for the whole of the Coromandel Peninsula.

Information relating to this guestion can be found on page 21 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to move Tairua, Pauanui Whangamata and Coromandel information and Coromandel information centres should remain centres to local funding over the next three years? district funded.

No, I do not agree. Tairua, Pauanui Whangamata

We are proposing a new annual fixed rate of \$200 for all short term accommodation providers (e.g. Bed and Breakfast operators, Book a Bach owners) as a contribution towards economic development expenditure.

Information relating to this guestion can be found on page 23 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to charge a new annual fixed rate of \$200 for all short term accommodation providers?

No, I do not agree that short term accommodation providers should be charged an annual fixed rate.

We are proposing that Bed and Breakfast operators with four or more rooms for hire be reclassified as commercial properties.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 23 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to reclassify Bed and Breakfast operators with four or more rooms for hire as commercial properties?

No, I do not agree. Bed and Breakfast operators with four or more rooms for hire should not be reclassified as commercial properties.

We are proposing a rates remission (refund) for residents in a retirement village who don't qualify for the central government rates rebate because of how they own their homes.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 24 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to give a rate remission to residents in a retirement village who don't qualify for the central government rates rebate because of how they own their homes?

Yes, I agree that residents in a retirement village who don't qualify for the central government rates rebate because of how they own their homes should be given a rates remission.

We are proposing that all second dwellings of 50 square metres or less (i.e. "Granny Flats") will receive a rates remission (refund) of 50% of their fixed rates charges (e.g. UAGC, water charges).

Information relating to this question can be found on page 24 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with our proposal to give a rates remission to all second dwellings of 50 square metres or less?

Yes, I agree with giving a rates remission to second dwellings of 50 square metres or less.

We are proposing a new fee for the Hahei Park and Ride, and to extend fees for Mercury Bay boat ramps and trailer parking areas to all upgraded boat ramp areas.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 25 of the Consultation Document .

Do you agree with the proposed fees for the Hahei Yes, I agree with the fees for the Hahei Park and Park and Ride and for Mercury Bay boat ramps and trailer parking?

Ride and for Mercury Bay boat ramps and trailer parking.

We are proposing that the Thames Community Board make additional investment in economic development to be funded from the targeted local rate in the Thames Community Board Area at a total cost of \$140,000. The proposal, which is for the first 3 years of the Long Term Plan includes:

- A new position to promote Thames at a cost of \$90,000 a year
- An additional \$50,000 per year to facilitate economic development in the area.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 26 of the Consultation Document .

Do you agree with the proposed additional investment in economic development in the Thames not the new role at a cost of \$90,000 a year. **Community Board Area?**

I only agree with the additional \$50,000 per year,

We are proposing that the Whangamata Community Board accelerates their current gradual programme of footpath construction and kerbing and channel to key roads so that the programme is completed in years 1 and 2 of the Long Term Plan.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 26 of the Consultation Document .

Do you agree with the proposal that the Whangamata Community Board accelerates their current gradual programme of footpath construction and kerbing and channel to key roads?

Yes, I agree that the Whangamata Community Board accelerates their current gradual programme of footpath construction and kerbing and channel to key roads to be completed in years 1 and 2 of the Long Term Plan.

We are proposing a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway. This would be a project funded by Whangamata Community Board ratepayers and would support economic development.

Information relating to this question can be found on page 27 of the Consultation Document.

Do you agree with the proposed consutruction of a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway, to be funded locally by Whangamata Community **Board ratepayers?**

Yes, I support the construction of a new Wentworth Valley walkway and cycleway.

We are proposing a series of memorial native forests around the Coromandel Peninsula in order to commemorate the NZ soldiers who died in World War 1.

Information relating to this guestion can be found on page 27 of the Consultation Document.

Do you support a series of memorial native forests Yes, I support a series of memorial native forests here in the Coromandel?

here in the Coromandel.

Strategic Planning

Further comments on the Strategic Planning activity.

Coromandel District as an arts centre. The 'Arts' on the Coromandel have greatly improved since the MBAE has been going and as an exhibiting artists not only have I noticed the growing number of people in the 'shoulder' month of March but how many are new to the art escape.

Economic Development

Further comments on the Economic Development activity.

TCDC buy Hahei camp as an ongoing concern to upgrade as a tourist destination for the local area. Also regarding the sale of Hahei Beach Resort...perhaps the Council could be proactive and purchase the land themselves? Even if the front sections or some of them were sold off to pay for the improvements required to keep the camp in operation and maybe even some form of Arts Centre.

Hahei Camp and Beach resort generates a lot of income for the entire area and I doubt the other camps could cover the loss without extensive upgrades in their Infrastructure. Perhaps Hahei Beach Resort could generate a lot of income for TCDC to put to good use?

Hearing

Hearings will be scheduled for late April.

Would you like to speak at a hearing in support of No your submission?

Please select the option that best describes you. I live in the Thames-Coromandel District

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Submission in relation to proposed targeted rate to fund costs of Economic Development Activity as part of Thames Coromandel District Council's Long Term Plan

1. Principle

The principle which underpins this proposal is:

 short term accommodation providers should make a contribution towards the development of economic activity because they benefit from the visitors this activity attracts.

However, counterbalancing this principle is:

 economic activity would be less viable and special events less successful if short term accommodation was not available

While this is true, it is equally true that, without short term accommodation providers, some economic activity would be less viable. Special events such as Beach Hop require adequate accommodation to be successful.

2. A variety of accommodation is important

It is important that tourists and holiday makers have a choice of accommodation.

Many holiday homes offer some seeking to stay on the Coromandel advantages not available in a motel or a bed and breakfast

- Facilities for a group of 6 or more (often one family) to stay in one space where they can prepare meals using an oven and with a wide range of equipment rather than the limited equipment usually found in motels
- Can eat at one table and relax in one space
- Storage for bikes and other sporting equipment
- Books, games, cds, dvds and other resources which motels do not provide
- Safe playing area for children
- Barbecue that they do not need to share with other groups
- Washing machines and driers

It is in the best interests of the Coromandel economy that the council does not make this option more expensive because motels cannot or do not offer these.

3. Most short term accommodation is probably not operated on a commercial basis

While there will be a range of ownership structures (companies, family trusts, individual or joint ownership), most short term accommodation of the kind available through organisations such as Bookabach are not operated on a commercial basis.

Their owners choose to offer some short term rental to offset the costs of owning holiday accommodation.

4. Permanent residents benefit from the provision of short term rental accommodation

Permanent residents benefit from the provision of short term rental accommodation by way of an increased population which makes local businesses more viable.

5. Identification of short term accommodation

Not all short term accommodation is provided through organisations such as Bookabach.

It will be difficult to identify all short term accommodation as evidenced by the notes of the Council Workshop on 17 November 2014 which indicated that it took several weeks to identify 1206 properties.

6. Difference of availability of Short term accommodation

Not all short term accommodation is available year round. Where it is only available for part of a year is it proposed that the rate be reduced?

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To whom it may concern

Submission on: Thames Coromandel District Council's Long Term Plan 2015-2025

From: The Arts Council of New Zealand Toi Aotearoa (Creative New Zealand)

- Creative New Zealand welcomes the opportunity to consider and make submissions on Thames Coromandel District Council's Long Term Plan 2015-2025.
- 2. Creative New Zealand wishes to be heard in support of this submission, scheduling permitting.
- 3. Key contact person for matters relating to this submission:

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- 4. While the purpose of local government under the Local Government Act 2002 (as amended in 2014) is 'to meet the current and future needs of communities for good-quality local infrastructure, local public services, and [the] performance of regulatory functions', we note that local authorities are also required under the same legislation to take into account the 'cultural interests of people and communities' (section 14(1)(h)(i), Local Government Act 2002). This provides a legislative basis for supporting local arts and culture.
- 5. There is also a growing body of research relating to the contribution of the arts to a community's social cohesion as well as to an area's economic prosperity. This research includes the findings of our own triennial survey, *New Zealanders and the Arts*. The most recent survey was carried out in late 2014 and is due for publication this June, and tells us that:
 - the majority of New Zealanders continue to be very positive about all aspects of the arts
 - this is driving the high levels of engagement with the arts in New Zealand
 - there have been significant increases in the levels of both attendance and participation in the arts among New Zealanders since 2011

- 89 percent have attended or participated in at least one arts event in the last 12 months compared to 85 percent in 2011
- most New Zealanders (71 percent) want their local council to continue to support the arts. This response has not changed since the study began in 2005.
- 69 percent of people agree with the statement 'My community would be poorer without the arts'.
- 6. Over the years, Creative New Zealand has taken an active interest in councils' strategic plans, and the ways in which they support arts and culture in their respective districts. We also support the development of specific arts and cultural strategies, to further clarify councils' commitments in these areas. We were heartened to hear that Council is in the process of developing an arts strategy, and we are happy to provide any assistance you might need in this area.
- 7. As you may be aware, Creative New Zealand has identified Waikato as one of two regions in which to deliver a two-year regional pilot programme. Our *Audience Atlas* research tells us that Waikato is one of the most culturally active areas in New Zealand, with 99% of people in the region having attended a cultural event or venue in the past three years. Through our regional pilot programme, we are investing an additional \$400,000 into Waikato on top of our other investments and grants made to local artists and organisations.
- 8. Our consultation in Waikato has highlighted some priorities in the area with regard to arts and culture. These include: Māori arts development, capability building, audience development, the Waikato orchestra initiative, and strengthening the arts in local authority agendas.
- 9. We note in the Grants and Remissions section of the Council's draft Long Term Plan that provision is made for grants to Community Waikato and Sport Waikato. We would encourage you to also include Creative Waikato alongside these organisations, to deliver services into your area. For our part, we will be working closely with Creative Waikato over the next two years to see how services can best be provided into Waikato communities.
- 10. Finally, in 2014/15, Creative New Zealand is providing funding of around \$24,000 to Council, as part of the Creative Communities Scheme. These funds go via Council to directly support local arts activities. We are grateful for your assistance in this important work, and for recognising the importance of the arts in making Coromandel 'New Zealand's most desirable place to live, work and visit'.

Background on Creative New Zealand

- 11. Creative New Zealand is New Zealand's arts development agency, responsible for delivering government support for the arts. Creative New Zealand is an autonomous Crown entity continued under the Arts Council of New Zealand Toi Aotearoa Act 2014.
- 12. Creative New Zealand's Strategic Plan 2013–16, Te Mahere Rautaki 2013–16, identifies the four outcomes we are seeking to achieve on behalf of all New Zealanders:
 - New Zealanders participate in the arts
 - high-quality New Zealand art is developed
 - New Zealanders experience high-quality arts
 - New Zealand arts gain international success.

- 13. Creative New Zealand contributes to achieving these outcomes by delivering programmes in the following areas:
 - funding for artists, practitioners and organisations
 - capability-building for artists, practitioners and organisations
 - advocacy for the arts.
- 14. Creative New Zealand receives funding through Vote: Arts, Culture and Heritage and the New Zealand Lottery Grants Board. In 2014/15, Creative New Zealand is on track to invest around \$44 million in the New Zealand arts sector.

Thank you again for the opportunity to comment. Please do not hesitate to contact me if you wish to discuss this submission.

Yours sincerely

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