

# Appendix F

Community Consultation Letter and FAQ Sheet



20 June 2019

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Dear Sir/Madam

**Consultation regarding Cook beach coastal erosion protection**

You are receiving this letter as your property is within the vicinity of the site identified where coastal erosion protection works are to be undertaken at Cooks Beach.

Thames-Coromandel District Council (TCDC) is in the process of applying for resource consent for this work. As part of the resource consent application TCDC is required to consult with everyone who may have an interest in, or be affected by the work. Below is a summary of what the work involves and enclosed is a copy of the plans for your information as well as a fact sheet detailing what you need to know regarding this project.

The coastal erosion protection works involve the construction of a timber backstop wall buried below the ground to protect critical assets behind the wall (shown by the yellow line on the enclosed design). This will be followed with sand being extracted from other parts of the marine area which will be used to reinstate the beach/dune in front of the backstop wall with plantings to help stabilise the reformed dune.

Please contact me on (07) 868 0200 or email [sam.edlin@tcdc.govt.nz](mailto:sam.edlin@tcdc.govt.nz) if you have any queries.

Yours sincerely

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## **COOKS BEACH COASTAL EROSION PROTECTION PROJECT**

What you need to know regarding the Cooks Beach coastal erosion protection project and frequently asked questions:

### **Timeframes:**

Stage 1: Construction of the backstop wall is planned to be completed by early October 2019 to enable the area to be clean and tidy before Cook 250 celebrations commence.

Stage 2: Beach nourishment and planting to align with the next planting season in May/June 2020

Notification of the start date and construction period will be provided to affected parties once these have been confirmed.

### **Beach Access:**

Beach access during construction will be restricted to areas outside of that required for the backstop wall construction and beach nourishment. Signage will be provided onsite to direct beach goers to the available beach access points.

Following completion of the beach nourishment, permanent beach access will be provided at a designated location through the planted dune area.

### **Will my views change from my property due to this project?**

No, the grass reserve area and beach nourishment will not be any higher than prior to the erosion.

### **What is a timber backstop wall?**

A timber backstop wall is a vertical wall buried below ground level, the purpose of this wall is to protect important Thames-Coromandel District Council assets (road, footpath, water supply, stormwater and waste water pipes etc) from damage by the sea.

### **Will the timber backstop wall be seen once it is completed?**

No, as it will be level with or below ground level.

### **Will the extraction of sand for the beach nourishment affect the beach?**

No, as the extraction of sand will be below the high tide mark and upon completion of the sand extraction, natural coastal processes will take over and the sand extraction site will be replenished overtime.

### **Will the existing rock wall to the north of the timber back stop tie into the backstop wall?**

Yes, detailed design is underway around this to enable an effective connection between the rock wall and the timber backstop wall to ensure that there is adequate protection from coastal erosion along this area.

