

Weddings and Events on Council Reserves

You can hire one of our parks or reserves for weddings or other functions. Choose your intended location and fill in the application form on our web page www.tcdc.govt.nz/concessions

Drones

Drone operators need to apply to our Council for approval when planning to fly UAVs (unmanned aerial vehicles) and RPAS (remotely piloted aircraft systems) over Council land under new Civil Aviation Authority rules. Those rules require the operator to get consent from the landowner whose land the drone will be flying over, and any person who the drone may fly over also. Typically, professional drone users such as real estate photographers already register their flights with www.airshare.co.nz even if they are only operating short flights.

Approval is being given on a case-by-case basis, so until we review our Public Places Bylaw in 2016 please get in touch with us.

Vehicles on Reserves and Beaches

Vehicles are prohibited from any area not set aside for the driving or parking of vehicles. This may include any beach or reserve. Beaches may only be accessed for the launching or retrieving of a watercraft and only at designated locations. Vehicles and trailers must not park on any beach. Vehicles must not damage any vegetation or be used in a manner considered to be dangerous or inconsiderate to pedestrians.

“Vehicle” shall include any conveyance equipped with wheels, rollers or tracks.



Noise Control

It is important that you consider neighbours when making any noise. Noise must not interfere with the peace, comfort and convenience of any person. If any noise is considered excessive by a Noise Control Officer then a notice to cease the noise may be served on the occupiers of the offending property. A notice to cease the noise is valid for 72 hours. If any occupier does not comply with the notice then a Noise Control Officer and the police may enter any property and dwelling to seize any equipment used to create the noise.

Please enjoy your stay and remember our community bylaws. Non-compliance can result in fines and in some cases equipment being seized.



We'll post summer updates on our Facebook page at:

[www.facebook.com/](http://www.facebook.com/ThamesCoromandelDistrictCouncil)

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Coromandel Summer tips



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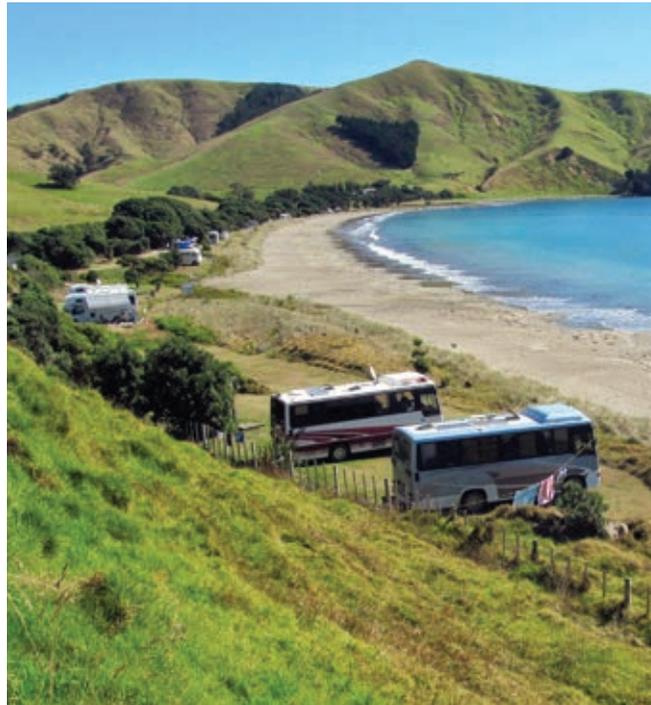
Community Bylaws

We want everyone to enjoy their stay on the Coromandel. It's important that we have current bylaws that ensure activities do not impact on our unique environment, infrastructure and the safety of others. This brochure provides a summary of some rules in place across the district so we can all enjoy summertime on the Coromandel.

Dog Control Bylaw

We're reviewing our policy on dogs and our dog control bylaw but the changes won't come into effect before mid-2016. Until then the current rules apply. Most of our beaches have summer restrictions - dogs may be prohibited or only allowed on the beach during certain times, usually before 9am and after 7pm. These restrictions are not only to keep dogs off beaches when there are a lot of people, but to protect important bird habitat areas during their summer breeding time. Please watch for signs at beach access ways, check our website: www.tcdc.govt.nz/dogs or call and ask us.

- In specified areas, dogs may be exercised off lead, but owners must have control at all times
- Please follow the instructions of our TCDC dog control officers
- Dogs must not enter areas sign-posted as bird nesting areas
- Owners must remove dog droppings
- All dogs aged over 3 months must wear a current registration tag



Freedom Camping in Public Places

If you're camping on Council land, your vehicle must be certified as self-contained by the New Zealand Motor Caravan Association, check their website www.nzmca.org.nz for details. Freedom camping is prohibited in some specific areas or restricted to designated zones - both are clearly sign-posted.

If you intend to camp or stay overnight on a reserve or in a public place and your vehicle is not certified as self-contained, please look for a commercial or Department of Conservation campground. There is a \$200 instant fine for offending on Council land. See www.tcdc.govt.nz/camping

Fly-tipping

We're taking a hard line on the illegal dumping of rubbish (fly-tipping) in the Coromandel. We will investigate, prosecute and name and shame anyone convicted. We can also fine people who leave litter in a public or private place. We are monitoring known dump sites and will make sure dumped rubbish is investigated and cleaned up. Be a tidy Kiwi! Keep the Coromandel beautiful.

Kerbside Collections and Refuse Transfer Stations

Instead of fly-tipping your rubbish, use our blue Council bags and set them out for kerbside collection. The blue rubbish bags can be bought at supermarkets, dairies and our Council offices. Recyclables are also collected kerbside: Glass goes in the green crate and paper, plastics, tins and cardboard go in the wheelie-bin. Check the kerbside schedule at www.tcdc.govt.nz/kerbside



If you miss the collection day, blue bags and recycling can be dropped off at our Refuse Transfer Stations free of charge. RTS locations and hours are at www.tcdc.govt.nz/rts

Fire Ban and Fireworks

A total fire ban applies in the Coromandel from 20 Dec 2015 to 8 Feb 2016. It may be extended if weather conditions dictate.



The ban includes: open fires in public places, beaches, public conservation land (DOC), and on private property. **Fires include:** traditional cooking fires, bonfires, solid-fuelled BBQs, braziers, fireworks, Chinese lanterns, and any incinerators that have not been pre-approved by a warranted fire officer.

Applications for fire permits during the fire-ban period may be considered for traditional cooking fires for community, family and cultural events.

www.tcdc.govt.nz/fire

Liquor Bans in Public Places

Throughout our District, liquor bans will be in force during holiday periods, including long weekends. These are strictly enforced by the police and you may be arrested if you breach a liquor ban in a public place.

You must not consume or take liquor into any public place while liquor bans are in force.