## STAFF REPORT

TO: Councillors/Community Board Members

FROM: Chief Executive

**REFERENCE:** C751 and C780

**DATE:** 6 November 2007

SUBJECT: Councillor Code of Conduct

## **PURPOSE FOR REPORT**

To enable Council to consider and adopt a Code of Conduct.

## **BACKGROUND**

- A Code of Conduct for members must be adopted under Schedule 7, Part 1
  Clause 15 of the Local Government Act 2002.
- The Act requires that "a member of a local authority must comply with the code of conduct of that local authority".
- The adoption of a Code of Conduct requires the agreement of at least 75% of members present.
- The attached Councillors Code of Conduct for Tasman District Council was introduced in 1998 and has subsequently had a number of minor amendments.
- The proposed Code of Conduct will need a further amendment after the Remuneration Authority has handed down their new determination.

## **RECOMMENDATION**

THAT the Councillors Code of Conduct dated 21 October 2004 be adopted.

P Wylie Chief Executive