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PITCAIRN ISLAND COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting held at the Public Hall
Commencing at 8.30am September 4th 2016

Present:

Mayor Shawn Christian, Deputy Mayor Charlene Warren-Peu, Cr Lea Brown, Cr Darralyn Griffiths, Cr Michele Christian, Cr Brenda Christian, Cr Leslie Jaques, Administrator Nicola Hebb, Island Secretary Heather Menses & Deputy Mayor Charlene Warren-Peu, Deputy Governor Kevin Lynch

Apologies: None

Gallery: None

Opening Prayer: Deputy Mayor Warren-Peu

Welcome: Mayor

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION
Farewell to Deputy Governor Kevin Lynch	The Mayor opened the meeting called to formally farewell Deputy Governor Kevin Lynch Deputy Governor Lynch warmly thanked Council for the hospitality shown him throughout this visit. He praised Council for its achievements over the past few many months, under the Mayoral Leadership of Mayor Shawn Christian, and specifically acknowledged and endorsed the Pensions and Benefits proposal, soon to be submitted to DFID. Deputy Governor Lynch also acknowledged the good work undertaken by Council and others with regard to Council's revised repopulation strategy. He conveyed that his term as Pitcairn's Deputy Governor has been challenging and interesting and he particularly recognised the very high level of partnership (between HMG/PIO and Council) which is now very evident. He said this relationship will well serve us all going forward. He also acknowledge the excellent work undertaken in revising the repopulations strategy and the work undertaken by Deputy Mayor Warren-Peu, Immigration and others. In response the Mayor thanked Deputy Governor Lynch expressed that he too felt steady progress has been made over the past few years. He thanked Mr Lynch and said it had been real pleasure working with him – wishing him well in his future endeavours. Administrator Hebb added, on behalf of herself, the previous Administrator (Alan Richmond) and other Governor's representatives, that the guidance and support provided by Mr Lynch was very much appreciated. She too formally wished him well for the future.

EDF10 Information.	The Mayor reported that Cr Jaques will be working on EDF10 matters, from PIO on his return to New Zealand. He discussed the possibility, as previously discussed with Deputy Governor Lynch, of accessing the required EDF10 workforce from Fiji. The Deputy Governor will check in with the Fijian High Commission to support this getting underway. It was generally agreed that this is an excellent idea which would be fully explored.
Initial Audit Feedback	Cr Leslie Jaques, as DM Finance and Economics, reported that the island's financial services has attained an unqualified audit.

Date of Next Council Meeting: 10.30am Wednesday 14th September 2016

Meeting Closed: 9.00am

Mayor Shawn Christian:

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