



PITCAIRN ISLAND COUNCIL
Minutes of the Council Meeting held at the Public Hall
Commencing at 9.00am May 29th 2019

Present:

Mayor Shawn Christian, Deputy Mayor Charlene Warren-Peu, Cr Michele Christian and Temp Cr Lea Brown, Administrator Nick Kennedy, Cr L Jaques, Cr Sue O’Keefe & Isec Heather Menzies

In attendance:

Apologies: Cr Kevin Young

Gallery:

Welcome: The Mayor welcomed Council to the meeting and the Deputy Mayor opened the meeting with a prayer.

<p>Matters/Actions Arising from Minutes of May 15th 2019</p>	<p><u>ACTIONS</u></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The DM F&E advised he has added to the Store Policy, the procedure for the Silver Supporter Captain to purchase goods from the Pitcairn General Store. 2) The Administrator advised he has not yet accessed a copy of the Deputy Governor’s communication with the Bravo/Silver Supporter outlining the protocols for engagement he will and report back. 3) The Administrator and Cr M Christian advised that the Draft GPI Gift policy has been revised for further community consultation at the Public Meeting - held on Tuesday 28th May. 4) The Isec advised Cr. K Young’s suggested amendments to the existing information for New Settlers document have been circulated. The New Settlers Orientation group has been formed and the revised document sent to the new settlers prior to their departure from NZ
<p>Approval of Minutes, of the Regular Council Meeting of May 15th 2019.</p>	<p>MOTION: Cr L Brown /Cr M Christian “That the minutes of May 15th 2019, as previously circulated be approved.” All in favour / Carried</p>
<p>Developing a Pitcairn Islands Context Paper</p>	<p>There was general discussion about the need for decisions about Pitcairn’s finances to be considered within context. Cr L Jaques added that an example of this is that Council has not been involved in recent budget discussions. He said there is a need for those in authority to better understand the context within which Pitcairn’s current financial situation has arisen. It was noted this lack of engagement and partnership impacts self-esteem, it is counter to the principles of the White Paper</p>

	<p>and it is perceived as unhelpful when everyone on Pitcairn is working hard, for minimal recompense.</p> <p>The Administrator noted that the intention is never to take any action which will undermine the self-esteem of Councillors and the community. He added that the current discussions with DFID about budgets do not relate to Division budgets and that if they did he would discuss these matters accordingly. There ensued further comment about budgets and expenses and it was generally agreed that improved local engagement is important. The Mayor noted that improved communications would also encourage greater local responsibility.</p> <p>It was agreed that Cr L Jaques will draft a context paper for circulation.</p> <p>ACTION Cr L Jaques will draft a context paper and circulate to all Councillors.</p>
Cruise Ship Traders Policy	<p>Cr M Christian reported that the community has been advised of Council's intention to develop a GPI Cruise Ship Traders Policy and had invited input at the Public Meeting of May 28th. She will work with the relevant divisions to develop the draft Policy for further discussion.</p>
EDF10 Community Consultation outcomes	<p>The Mayor reported that the community meeting was very well received with good input from those present.</p> <p>It was noted there was full discussion on all aspects of EFD10 plans and the Community voted, unanimously, to downsize the width of proposed concrete roads to better utilise resources.</p> <p>MOTION: Mayor/ Deputy Mayor "That council formally approve reducing the width of the proposed concrete roads, so as to better utilise resources, as agreed with the Community at the Public Meeting of May 28th " All in favour / Carried</p>
Silver Supporter Mooring request – Formal Approval	<p>It was noted that the community supported the request from the owners of the Silver Supporter to establish mooring buoys at Pitcairn.</p> <p>MOTION: Cr S O'Keefe/Deputy Mayor Warren-Peu "That Council formally approve the owners of the Silver Supporter establishing mooring buoys at Pitcairn on the proviso that the company is responsible for maintenance and liability and that further community consultation takes place with regard to location."</p>

	All in favour /Carried
Travel for Children in Education in NZ policy - formal approval	MOTION: Cr S O'Keefe / Deputy Mayor Warren-Peu "That Council formally approve the new Travel for Children in Education in NZ procedures and that they will be incorporated into the current Education Policy." ACTION Cr Lea Brown and Cr M Christian will revise the Education Policy to include the new procedure for posting on the government website as an Approved GPI Policy.
New GPI Gift Policy – formal Approval	MOTION: Cr S O'Keefe/ Deputy Mayor Warren-Peu "That Council approve the revised GPI Gift policy, as discussed at with the community at the Public Meeting of May 28 th ." All in favour/carried ACTION Cr M Christian will finalise the document for posting on the Government Website as an approved GPI Policy.
Managing Active Settlement Applications - Documents	There was general discussion about adhering to agreed upon procedures when managing active settlement applications. It was agreed that the matter will be dealt with at a Divisional level, with relevant Immigration personnel / HMG & PIO. This will be led by the Administrator and Chief Immigration Officer who will report back to Council.
AIR 2018 V4 - formal approval	Cr L Jaques briefly outlined amendments made to the previously circulated AIR2018 V4 document and thanked those involved in its development. The AIR 2018 V4 will be submitted to the EU today (May 29 th 2019).
GENERAL BUSINESS	
No Deal Brexit	Following discussions at the public meeting of May 28 th and a request from Cr M Christian, Cr L Jaques confirmed that Pitcairn has a letter of guarantee, from HM Treasury via FCO Minister Lord Ahmed, confirming that in the event of a no deal Brexit all approved EU Activities under EDF will be met in full by the HM Treasury. This was reiterated in a letter from the Minister to the OTs on May 15 th 2019.
Stabi Craft Loan to the Henderson Expedition	It was noted that at the public meeting of May 28 th the Community supported a request for the Henderson Plastics Expedition to use the Pitcairn Stabi craft. It was noted a new outboard has been purchased for the Stabi Craft.
Telescope Loan	It was noted that at the public meeting of May 28 th the Community supported a request that Professor Hearnshaw, the lecturer for the Eclipse Tour, use the donated Telescope at Oeno.

<p>MOU between Pitcairn France/French Polynesia</p>	<p>Deputy Mayor Warren-Peu asked about the status of the current MOU between HMG/Pitcairn and French Polynesia and requested that a copy be made available to Council. Cr L Jaques advised that the original document was developed in 2008.</p> <p>It was noted that agreement must be made with the French Government in the first instance with regard to using Mangareva as an international port. The existing MOU continues to enable Pitcairn bound passengers to transit Mangareva which, it was acknowledged, remains the priority.</p> <p>The Administrator clarified that, despite past practices, freighting goods between Mangareva and Pitcairn is not permitted This was clearly communicated to the Community at the public meeting of May 28th. The Administrator advised the he and the Deputy Governor were aware of the impact of the freight restrictions and will continue to work on it.</p>
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Meeting Closed: 11.00am
Date of Next Regular Council Meeting: Wednesday 12th June 9.00am
Date of Next VTC: TBC
Dates of Next workshop: TBC

Mayor Shawn Christian:  Date: 4 / 6 / 2019



Approved