



PITCAIRN ISLAND COUNCIL

**Minutes of Meeting held in The Square - Public Hall
Commencing at 10.30am on Wednesday August 12th 2015
Regular**

Present:

Mayor Shawn Christian, Deputy Mayor Brenda Lupton-Christian, Cr David Brown,
Cr Charlene Warren-Peu, Cr Darralyn Griffiths, Cr Michele Christian, Administrator Alan Richmond
Island Temp. Secretary – Heather Menzies

Apologies: Cr Leslie Jaques

Gallery: None

Opening Prayer: Cr Charlene Warren- Peu

Welcome: Mayor Shawn Christian

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Matters Arising:	None
Item	Discussion
RSPB Request	<p>Cr Michele Christian had circulated a request from RSPB that Council give permission for the Henderson Island research team to take two Henderson Rail skins back to the UK. The two birds died in captivity and the intention is that their skins will be housed at The Natural History Museum (Tring) becoming a valuable research resource.</p> <p>The request met with general agreement and it was also suggested that, the DM Natural Resources' request that, if available, RSPB also provide a treated and certified specimen for the island.</p> <p>Motion: Cr Christian "That Council approve RSPB's request and that the DM Natural Resources ask that RSPB also provide a treated and certified specimen for the island, if one is available." All in favour</p>
Cruise ship visits to Henderson Island – Caledonian Sky 2015	<p>Pitcairners, Sue O'Keefe and her partner Pawl Warren are working with RSPB on Henderson Island as Field Assistants. They have contacted the Tourism Department to discuss the possibility providing Henderson Island walking tours and a presentation to the Caledonian Sky In response it was agreed that the Travel Coordinator will follow-up the request and assist in developing a service outline for further approval. The outline will include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● A 40 minute, on board power point presentation and a 15 minutes Q&A session delivered by Sue and Pawl, as Pitcairners for Henderson Island ● On-shore guided walking tours for 4 groups of approximately 25 pax throughout the day. ● Recommended Cost for the Presentation/Lecture - US\$300 ● Recommended Cost for Guided Walking Tours US\$20 ● Notification of payment processes via PIO. ● Relevant rules and regulations <p>It was agreed there is a need to measure the environmental impact of cruise ship visitors landing on Henderson and it suggested that the Tourism Department ask</p>

	<p>the Henderson Scientific team to assist this.</p> <p>It was noted that the ship's shore excursion crew and the Pitcairn/Henderson Tour Guides must ensure that visitors use only the prepared dedicated walkways.</p> <p>It was also decided that Pitcairn/Henderson Tour Guides must submit the proposed power/point presentation to the Tourism Department for approval prior to delivery.</p> <p>Motion: Mayor</p> <p>"That Council approve the request subject to the aforementioned conditions being met". All favour.</p> <p>Action: The Tourism Department will continue to liaise with the Henderson Island team and the Caledonian Sky, in consultation with Immigration and Natural Resources.</p>
Housing Agreement approval notification	<p>The August 5th approval of the Housing Agreement was noted for the record. The agreement has been actioned and filed.</p>
Policy Review Approvals from Workshop	<p>Motion - Mayor</p> <p>"That the Education Policy, the Cyber Safe Policy, the Guide for Visiting Vessels Policy, the Home Support Policy, the Post Office Operations Policy and the Protection of Artefacts Policy, as amended, be approved.</p> <p>All in Favour</p> <p>Motion - Mayor:</p> <p>"That the amended Public Holidays and Commemoration Days document and the General Fees and Services document be approved".</p> <p>All in Favour</p> <p>Motion- Mayor: "That the Bounty Bible Policy and associated agreement between the GPI and SDA Church be dissolved."</p> <p>All in Favour.</p> <p>Cr Charlene Warren – reported that she had met with the Pastor and discussed the care and maintenance of the Bounty Bible. The pastor agrees that the Bible is an important artefact for Pitcairn and he is very happy for it to be relocated back the Museum where it will be appropriately cared for.</p>
General Business	<p>Mayor: Repopulation:</p> <p>The Mayor suggested that council agree to establish a collaborative re-population steering group - inclusive of Tourism, Council representation and Immigration to review current structures and practices and to keep Council informed of developments.</p> <p>The Immigration Officer reported that many of the Immigration website hits were not in fact relevant immigration enquiries. She added that all genuine requests and enquiries are dealt with appropriately.</p> <p>It was noted that the importance of the island's repopulation strategy requires Council and its operational divisions to review and refine its approach and more adequately promote its minimum criteria for immigrate to Pitcairn. It was agreed that in doing so enquiries will be able to be dealt with in a timely and efficient manner.</p> <p>Motion - Mayor</p> <p>"That a temporary Repopulation Consolation Committee be formed</p>

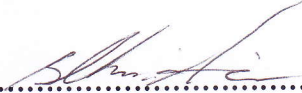
	immediately. The group will consist of Immigration, Tourism and Council representation with input from others as required. The Committee will meet in the first instance to undertake a SWOT analysis to inform recommendations for activities going forward. All in favour.
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Minutes of July 22nd 2015:

Regular Council Minutes, as circulated electronically, approved Aug 1st 2015.

Next Regular Council Meeting: 9th Sept 2015 10.30am

Meeting Closed: 11.55am

Mayor Shawn Christian.....

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