

PITCAIRN ISLAND COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting held in The Square - Public Hall Commencing at 10.30am on Wednesday 7th October 2015 Regular

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Present:

Mayor Shawn Christian, Acting Deputy Mayor Cr Charlene Warren-Peu, Cr David Brown, Cr Darralyn Griffiths, Cr Michele Christian, Cr Leslie Jaques, Acting Councillor Melva Evans and Administrator, Alan Richmond

Temp Island Secretary – Heather Menzies **Apologies:** Deputy Mayor Brenda Christian

Gallery: None

Opening Prayer: Cr Charlene Warren-Peu

Welcome: Mayor Shawn Christian

Item	Discussion
Minutes	
Active Settlement Applications	Motion: Acting Cr Evans / Seconded Cr Charlene Warren-Peu "That Council accept the settlement application received from Mrs Mary Purvis and refer it to the Deputy Governor for progress"
2015 Elections	It was unanimously agreed that the 2015 Election for Councillors and Deputy Mayor will be held on Wednesday 4 th Nov 2015 Nominations for Office are open from today – being 7 th Oct 2015. Nominations for Office will close 12.00pm 25 th Oct 2015
Advance First Aid	The Mayor informed Council that the resident Doctor will be facilitating an advanced First-Aid course for all interested parties. Councillors can register via the Mayor.
Good Deeds Public Dinner	Cr Warren-Peu acknowledged the courage of the children when they recently helped their grandmother, who had fallen from her quad bike. There was general agreement that all the children had handled the emergency situation very well. It was decided that Council would publically recognise the children's brave response to the incident, by presenting them with a certificate at Public Dinner on 14 th October.
General Business	
Cultural Festival Attendance in Guam	Cr Griffiths, who has taken-up the role of Cultural adviser for Council, told the meeting that should a local representative be selected to attend the Guam Festival the current shipping options would mean they would in fact miss both the beginning and the end of the festival. There ensued general discussion about the purpose and importance of representation and it was agreed that any local intending to take the opportunity to represent Pitcairn must do so in good faith. As such Council will take the lead in ensuring that all interested parties clearly understand that representation entails representing the whole island and should not be seen as a vehicle for self-

Up-date Re the population Group	representation and self-promotion. It was agreed that Cr Griffiths will develop a brief and/or guidelines for the Cultural representatives going forward The Guam Festival representation role will be advertised once representation brief has been approved by Council. Action: Cr Griffiths will draft the brief and submit to Council for approval.
	Cr Warren-Peu reported that the RSG's was progressing within prescribed time frames. The RSG has suggested that Council appoint a press spokesperson to manage enquiries when the new Immigration website is launched. This will enable representation to be briefed and ensure the message Council wishes to convey is clear and consistent. It was agreed Council will appoint a media spokesperson at the next meeting.

Meeting Closed: 11.45am

Next Regular Council Meeting: 21st October 10.30am

Mayor Shawn Christian.

Date. 21 / 10 / 2015