

## PITCAIRN ISLAND COUNCIL

Public Meeting Notes held in The Square - Public Hall Commencing at 9.30 on Sunday August 21st 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, Temporary Administrator Robin Shackell, Island Secretary, Heather Menzies, PEW representative Dr Johnny Briggs, EDF10 Archaeological Consultant Dr Claudio Cristino.

Apologies: None

Gallery: NZ Police Officer Terry Moore, Meralda Warren, Melva Evans, David Brown, Dave Brown Dennis Christian, Mike Lupton-Christian, Joanna Trent, Sue O'Keefe, Pawl Warren, Turi Griffiths, Jay Warren, Carol Warren, Simon Young, Michael Warren, Jim Heays, Vaine Peu, Joshua Nash, Kerry Young, Phillip O'Brian,

Welcome: Mayor

The Mayor welcomed all to the Public meeting which had been called to formally introduce the Dr	
Claudio Cristino (EDF10 Archaeological Consultation) and Dr John Briggs (PEW) to the community.	
Dr Johnny Briggs	Dr Briggs reported that he is on-island to update everyone about progress on the Marine Reserve, specifically around monitoring and surveillance, Marine Reserve Legislation and the next steps. He also gifted Stewart McPherson's Book Britain's, Treasure Islands and two books, on Humpback Whales, and thanked the community for the hospitality he has received.
	Dr Briggs then delivered a power point presentation. The Pitcairn Islands Marine Reserve Surveillance Update and outlined findings to date. Catapult and the Bertarelli Foundation are working with the UK Government to design and implement the long-term surveillance plan for the Marine Reserve.
	Dr Briggs will be working with the Environmental, Conservation & Natural Resources Division Manager to facilitate a community workshop on MPA promotional ideas whilst on island.
Dr Claudio Cristino	Dr Cristino explained that Pitcairn is very important in archaeological terms, highlighting that it is clear that Pitcairn played an important role in the pacific region yet there is very little data on the island. He said he is particularly interested in furthering this by surveying the island, so as to gather artefacts and new data. He has already identified 2 possible areas of archaeological interest - at Bounty Bay and Tedside - and conveyed he would very much welcome local input and interest over the time he is on-island undertaking this assessment for EDF10 buildings and tourism infrastructure.
	Dr Cristino then delivered a power point presentation about archaeology in the pacific and discussed Pitcairn within this context. He shared a colour Google Map, enhanced by a fellow academic, which will assist in further archaeological mapping of Pitcairn. He explained that stone tools are very important because they stand in for the absence of pottery dating markers and

that there is no doubt that one of the reasons early Polynesians came and settled on Pitcairn was to get stone for tools. He concluded that Pitcairn's rich early history has tremendous possibilities for the islands developing tourism industry.

Copies of both presentations are available from the Island Secretary's office.

Meeting Closed: 11.30

Mayor Shawn Christian.

Date: 13 1 2016

