

PITCAIRN ISLAND COUNCIL Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held at the Public Hall Commencing at 9.00am 14th July 2021

Present:

Mayor Charlene Warren, Deputy Mayor Kevin Young, Cr Shawn Christian, Cr Leslie Jaques, Cr Lea Brown, Cr Michele Christian, and Cr Ariel Harding, Nadine Faulkner, Island Secretary **Apologies:** Administrator Mark Tomlinson (Off-Island)

In attendance:

Welcome: The Mayor welcomed Council to the table and Cr L Jaques opened with a prayer.

Agenda Item	Tabled by
ACTIONS / Matters Arising from	As per the Agenda, taken from meeting held 16 th June 2021
Regular Council Meeting of 16 th	1. Covid-19 Support Package: Support package yet to be
June 2021	advised, with the Administrator working with London
	around possible options being discussed.
	On-going. Administrator working in tandem with Deputy
	Mayor and DM Finance.
	2. Child Safeguarding Audit:
	Update – Requested from Administrator to get the report
	written by Child Matters. At this time requests have been
///	unsuccessful.
	ACTION: Mayor C Warren to write to the Governor's
	office to request a copy of the report.
	Update: Deputy Governor has sent through a final draft
	that has been circulated to Councillors.
	3. Controlling Information Highway
	Concern regarding information going on and off island,
	and lack of communication between the Administrator and
	Council.
	ACTION: Cr. M Christian to draft a letter regarding
	partnership and full and open communication.
	Update: Letter was drafted and sent to the Governor, and
	a reply was sent and received today.
	4. Risk Management Document
	The updated risk management document was discussed
	and agreed a workshop/meeting would be held to revise
	and review.
	ACTION: A meeting on the 23 rd of June at 9.00am was
	agreeable for a meeting to discuss.
	Update: Council workshop was had to work on this, and
	Cr. M Christian working on resulting documents. Meeting
	scheduled to sit and discuss.
-	5. Correspondence regarding Mrs M Purvis's return to
2	Pitcairn
	A letter was tabled requesting assistance in the repatriation
	of Mrs Purvis to the island.
	ACTION: The Mayor and Cr. L Jaques will draft a letter
	to the Governor requesting assistance.
8	Update: Letter was drafted and sent to the Governor, and
	a reply was sent and received today.
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Approval of the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of 16 th June 2021	MOTION; Cr L Jaques /Cr M Christian "That the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of 16 th June 2021 as previously circulated, be approved. All in favour / Carried
Approval of the Closed Council Meeting Minutes of 16 th June 2021	MOTION; Cr M Christian /Cr L Jaques "That the minutes of the Closed Council Meeting of 16 th June 2021 as circulated on the 16 th of June at the Council table, be approved. All in favour / Carried
Renewable Energy Update	Cr L Jaques spoke on the status of the project, saying that the final document is being finalised and will be sent out for tender shortly.
Proposed letter to AG regarding summary court cases	Deputy Mayor Kevin Young spoke on the effect that sitting of the Pitcairn court has on the public – re internet and phone disruption for example. DM Kevin Young suggested that the AG should be approached for any future cases the disruption should be seriously considered, and that this should not be the norm on Pitcairn. Council discussed issues around summary court cases and community impact. Budgetary hardship caused by court costs, and immediate need for communication requirements during internet/phone blackouts for medical needs were noted as serious. ACTION: Deputy Mayor to draft a letter asking the AG to consider no disruption to the community while any court cases are ongoing. All in favour
Duke of Edinburgh Stamp Edition #2	Cr L Jaques tabled the proposed new stamp editions. Approved Cr M Christian /Cr A Harding All in favour
Proposals from Archaeological Groups	The Mayor spoke on the two groups who have sent proposals regarding an archaeological project on the island. Council has already recorded in previous council minutes a favourable look on the first proposal – the second was forwarded from a member of the original team and geared towards the same dig. Conversation veered off to the proposed intention towards either restoring the current town hall where the proposed archaeological project was situated, or demolishing the building altogether. Council felt this needed clarification and more discussions as well as gauging the community's thoughts on the matter. Council felt that at this point more consideration should focus on reviewing the sought legal advice sent through by the AG office and also approach the community for their views on the proposals.
Settlement Proposal – Oscar Craston, Phil Craston, Florence Craston, Kirsty Cooke	Council felt that the family had researched and thought of this settlement request and understood the move to Pitcairn very well. MOTION; Cr L Jaques /Deputy Mayor Kevin Young

	"That the settlement applications received from the Craston/Cooke family to be recommended to be progressed further by the Deputy Governor."
	All in favour / Carried
Settlement Proposal – Mr Manana plus CV	Council acknowledged and accepted the settlement request. MOTION; Deputy Mayor Kevin Young/Cr L Jaques "That the settlement application received from Mr Micheal Manana to be recommended to be progressed further by the Deputy Governor." All in favour /1 abstention /Carried
Minute clarification of a decision made in Council on the 14 th of April 2021	To formally make a motion approving four points regarding new Covid-9 updates for travellers in the 14 th of April 2021 Council meeting – • Visitors must adhere to the GPI's required isolation
	 protocols prior to boarding SS Visitors must cover their isolation costs and C-19 testing as required. Visitors must provide evidence that they are permitted to re-enter NZ on return. Administrator Mark Tomlinson (MT) to discuss fare recommendations with Financial Controller, Evan
	MOTION; Mayor Charlene Warren /Cr A Harding To formally approve a decision made in the council meeting of April 14 th , 2021 as per points above. All in favour / Carried
General Business Matters	
Climate Change Fund: Marine Science Base Bid	Cr M Christian tabled a bid regarding an on-island laboratory be built and based on Pitcairn. Further discussion and thought to be put forward at a later date.
Tahiti / Pitcairn travel	Cr M Christian noted that Pitcairn has been upgraded on Tahiti's 'Green' list for travel, and requested that further thought on the subject of movement between the islands are again considered. Council agreed that a workshop would be reasonable to consider this and other changing facts – i.e., vaccinations etc
	to review the Councils Covid-19 protection plan. Workshop pencilled in for 9 th August 2021
Departure from Council/Pitcairn Is	Cr A Harding advised that this sitting was her last council meeting. She advised that her family was leaving the island and if she did return to the island she would not be returning to council. Mayor Warren thanked Cr A Harding for her hard work and time on Council.
GPI Community Petition	Council acknowledged receipt of the petition received from the community. It was noted that this has already been forwarded to PIO, the Administrator and the Deputy Governor to also have a chance to reflect and review.

	Council resolved to await the Administrators return and further legal advice as per the Mayor's response on the public noticeboard. This will be discussed further at the already scheduled workshop on the 9 th of August.
	MOTION; Mayor Charlene Warren /Cr L Jaques "Council will continue to liaise with the AG to get legal advice on this matter." All in favour / Carried
	ACTION: The Mayor to contact the petition creator to advise of council's plan of action.
Personal Baggage on Silver Supporter	The Mayor advised that that one returning passenger on the Silver Supporter has been charged by PIO with having more baggage than the required stated of two suitcases and two
*	carry-ons. It was noted that the previous Administrator had advised on a no limit baggage count on returning to the island with the present Covid issues.
	Council discussed and questioned why that if this one passenger has been singled out, then why previous returning locals and officials have not been charged for similar baggage loads over required specifications. This issue will also be discussed in the workshop held in
Councillor replacement	August. Mayor Charlene Warren noted that with three councillors leaving on the next supply ship a replacement councillor will
	be needed to have a quorum. Further clarification will be sought to who or how Council can request a temporary Councillor to sit.
Meeting Closed	Meeting closed at 12.00 pm
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Next Meeting.	Next meeting set for 9.00 am Wednesday 11th August 2021
	Workshop 9th August 2021
	Public Meeting nil
Approved 11/08/2021.	Mayor Charlene Warren.