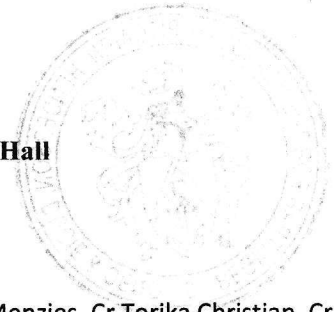




**PITCAIRN ISLAND COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held at the Public Hall**  
**Commencing at 9.00am 18 January 2023**



**Present:**

Mayor Simon Young, Deputy Mayor Shawn Christian, Cr Michele Christian, Cr Heather Menzies, Cr Torika Christian, Cr Kevin Young, Administrator Fiona Kilpatrick

**Apologies:** Cr Charlene Warren

**In attendance:**

**Welcome:** A moment of private reflection was taken.

Items	
Opening of the Meeting of 18 January 2023	Meeting Opened: 9.01am
Call for items in General Business	
Minutes of previous meetings	<p><b>Motion: Cr K Young / Cr H Menzies</b> That the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting 19 December 2022 as circulated be approved</p> <p><b>Motion: Cr M Christian / Cr T Christian</b> That the minutes of the Special Council Meeting 1 January 2023 as circulated be approved</p>
<b>Actions Undertaken from the Regular Council Meeting of 19 December 2022</b>	
Pitcairn Marine Infrastructure Development	Action updated under Standing Items below. Question of funding around replacement island vessel (longboat replacement).
<b>Standing Items</b>	
Mayor's Report	Council looking forward to regular Mayoral Reports
Pitcairn Marine Infrastructure Development	Dep Mayor S Christian is looking for a fit for purpose design in island conditions (including factors like aging population, safety, water conditions) for crane and boat. More information expected back next week. Should have additional information to present to next Council meeting.
Update on Starlink Trial	<p>Nothing new to update. Awaiting move of Starlink unit to Administrator.</p> <p>Administrator advised there are no plans to close down the current system in favour for Starlink for the island.</p> <p>Administrator advised that if it works at Pulau, she is happy to look at trialling in other areas on island.</p> <p>Has been raised in a public meeting to look at moving around to get broader data for general use. Deputy Mayor advised of risk around not being able to get information for broader general use.</p> <p>Cr M Christian asked about whether there was a possibility to move the unit around after Pulau. Administrator would like to seek further advice before committing to any movement of units or before a next phase of test.</p> <p>Cr H Menzies discussed that from a Council perspective, Council will be moving into a phase where they will be obligated to</p>

	<p>provide utilities for the island. For Council it's about future proofing and planning for the community. Cr K Young looking for a phased approach after the trial and how this may work for the wider island. <b>Action: Fiona Kilpatrick</b> Seek input from Bill Haigh and ask him to contact Starlink to understand how the trial is progressing. Council is also interested to know whether there is a plan going forward with Bill Haigh retiring.</p>
Head of Pitcairn Public Report	<p>Satellite parts are expected on the next Silver Supporter. Cr H Menzies would like to acknowledge the work that has been undertaken to keep the internet going in trying conditions. Veterinary visit which has been previously approved and will be going ahead. Pitcairn Island awarded Blue Park Platinum award status for the MPA and this will be presented at the next IMAC conference. Cr M Christian gave a background and the work that was undertaken to achieve this. Will be made official in 5 February 2023. Question around media releasing of this information when appropriate.</p>
<b>New Items</b>	
Capacity issues - Crewing the Longboats short and long-term	<p>Capacity issues were discussed in regards to crewing of the island longboats. Dep Mayor advised that short term he believes the longboats can be crewed, but by March next year, this could be different. Good discussion ensued around a small and aging population continuing to crew the longboats and the critical risks around this. The Mayor recapped discussion. Council was in full support of wanting to move to a contract in the future where cargo is off loaded by the contractor with no assistance needed from island. The Mayor advised that the current supply ship contract expires in 15 March 2024</p> <p><b>Motion: Mayor / Cr H Menzies</b> Due to capacity issues the Mayor will write to the Governor to stipulate that the Council formally requests future shipping service contract specify that unloading of cargo is included and undertaken by the successful contractor. <b>Action : Mayor</b> To write to Governor</p>
Silver Supporter delayed arrival – plans for unloading	<p>ETA 19 January at midday in Mangareva PI Saturday 21 January 2023 where passengers will be unloaded. Unload of cargo to occur Sunday 22 January 2023. DM Operations is the point of call for working with SS. Mayor will not act as go between.</p>
Set Date for Land Court sitting	<p><b>Motion: Mayor / Cr M Christian</b> Propose that the next Land Court sitting be Wednesday 15 February 2023 – 9am</p>

Communications Policy	Mayor looking to move forward within the wider island communications as per the Communications Policy, e.g PIO quarterly meeting, public meetings. Public Meeting to be scheduled Sunday 26 February 2023 at 11am.
Public Holiday / Queens/Kings Birthday potential date change	Mayor advised that this may change with the passing of Queen Elizabeth II and coronation of King Charles III.
Pitcairn Islands Long Boat Crew List	Included and circulated in Agenda. If Council is happy with format, can it be provisionally approved for public display. In addition, the list will be amended to include; <b>Trainee Coxswain</b> – Jayden Warren Peu <b>Trainee Engineer</b> – Ryan Christian Cr K Young asked what timeframe does someone remain in trainee status. Dep Mayor S Christian advised that it depends on the individual and the factors needing to be covered. Current trainees will likely be deemed competent in the near future. <b>Motion Cr M Christian / Mayor S Young</b> Council appoints the following Coxswains and Engineers, including the trainee coxswain and trainee engineer. List to be displayed in a public place. <b>Action: Cr M Christian</b> Amend the list and arrange displaying in a public place.
PRC - update on publication of Immigration Visa and Settlement information Policy, GPI General Store Policy and Draft GPI Cruise Ship Trading Policy	<i>Immigration Visa and Settlement Information Policy</i> in progress. Cr K Young sought an update from the Administrator on this which was provided. <i>Store Policy</i> – in consultation phase with staff <i>Cruise Ship Trading</i> – discussed at workshop with amendments circulated to Mayor and Council. Cr H Menzies also advised the ‘Live the Dream’ immigration site is being refreshed and updated. <b>Motion: Mayor / Cr K Young</b> That the GPI Cruise Ship Trading Policy be approved as amended and that it be reviewed by 15 March 2023
Seatrade Cruise Global 2023	Being held at Fort Lauderdale this year. It runs from 27-31 March 2023. Cr H Menzies scheduled to attend and will leave the island at the end of January 2023 returning April 2023.
Dark Sky Sanctuary Annual Report	Submitted on 13 January 2023
New Migrant Temporary Accommodation Application	Sent and received – awaiting tenancy agreement to be signed and actioned when Sid Gould returns to island
Sending Longboat to NZ for repairs	Update provided by Administrator. Issue around being able to transport by Silver Supporter due to the weight of longboat. Options are being explored on whether repairs can be undertaken in Mangareva. Discussion on whether Bud Gilroy, PI French Polynesian Agent, maybe an option as liaison person for longboat repair work in Mangareva, or if not there, potentially Tahiti. There may be an opportunity for Aranui Discussion was had on whether we have signed the Memorandum of Understanding between French Polynesia and Pitcairn Island. There is an agreement for Pitcairn Island as a British Overseas Territory to access to French Overseas Territory via very specific

	immigration processes on a case-by-case basis. This happens with every voyage <b>Action: Fiona Kilpatrick</b> Administrator to work with DM Operations to look at contacting Bud Gilroy to assist liaising this.
Council Discretionary Fund	<b>Moved Mayor / Cr S Chrisitan</b> That the Fee for Service Contract for the cleaning, painting and displaying our plaques be approved for payment from our discretionary fund.
<b>General Business</b>	
Voting in attending remotely	Mayor update the meeting with advice from Assistant Attorney General. She is exploring the legalities and what can be achieved for voting and attending Council meetings remotely.
Bounty Day update	Mayor updated the meeting on Bounty Day celebrations.
Gift for Cruise Ships	Cr M Christian discussed gifts for Cruise Ships. Discussion was had around Bounty models, shields and carved shark. Other options were discussed as potential gifts – flags, turtle. Email ideas to the mayor.
Bill Haigh Resignation	Discussion was had around planning with the retirement of Bill Haigh and the impact of this on island IT and websites. Cr H Menzies discussed some planning has been done in this space with Pitcairn Island taking over responsibility of some aspect e.g Miscellany, Pitcairn Tourism. Council is hearing that PIO are working on this, but Council would like to have a clearer understanding of what work is being done on this and wider island communications. There are aspects that could be done on island e.g Government website. <b>Action: Mayor</b> To email the Pitcairn Island Office and Bill Haigh to ask for a comprehensive update on what the present roles are for island IT support. Also, that Council would like input from island on what the needs are going forward.
Date of next meeting	Friday 3 February 2023 10am, if required – workshop on Community Survey questions.
Meeting Closed – 11.50am	
Minutes Approved      21 / 02 / 2023	<b>Mayor:</b> 