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PITCAIRN ISLAND COUNCIL

Public Meeting Notes held in The Square - Public Hall Commencing at 10.30am on Wednesday Aug 10th 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 & Deputy Mayor Warren-Peu

Apologies: None Gallery: None

Opening Prayer: Deputy Mayor Warren-Peu

Welcome: Mayor

AGENDA ITEM	DISCUSSION
Matters Arising from the Minutes of July 13th 2016	None
Record of Approval – Regular Council Meeting Minutes July 13th 2016 & Public Meeting Notes June 5th 2016	Motion: Cr D Griffiths / Cr B Christian "That the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of July 13th 2016 & the Public Meeting Notes of June 5th 2016 as circulated be approved." All in favour - Carried
LTV Application	Motion: That the Long Term Visitor Visa, as submitted, be approved. All in Favour - Carried
Repopulation Statistics Update	Deputy Mayor Warren-Peu shared the current repopulation statistics noting, to date, that there have been 451 repopulation enquires from across approx. 42 Countries. Currently 2 active settlement applications are logged with PIO. There ensued general discussion regarding why active applications may drop off. It was agreed that the matter should be reviewed going forward.
Update PEW & Darwin Project's Pending Visit PEW Press Release	Cr M Christian reported that Dr Johnny Briggs, from PEW, will present at a public meeting to share information on MPA enforcement/surveillance and monitoring and to update the community about current developments. He will also facilitate a workshop to gain community input into ideas for MPA promotion. Cr M Christian also reported that PEW has requested that Council provide a quote to be included in the previously circulated Press release. The Administrator outlined the timeframes required for the press release and it was agreed the Mayor will draft a quote for circulation this week for a Tuesday 16th deadline. The Administrator advised that there is also a possibility that the Mayor will be interviewed for the MPA announcement. ACTION: Cr M Christian will advise PEW of the timeframes.
Pensions and Benefits Proposal Update	Cr L Jaques reported that the proposal has been circulated and he and Cr M Christian are now waiting for feedback from each Division before the

	paper is formally submitted for consideration at the next Council meeting. The Administrator reminded Council that the proposal will need to include strategies for future proofing and these will need to be included in the paper when it is submitted to Council. The Mayor added that reviewing pensions and benefits, supports the strategic plan objective 'to introduce effective & fair duties to encourage changes in economic behaviour and promote increased self-sufficiency.'
Recommended protocols for locals whilst on board cruise ships.	The protocols developed from the Tourism Department's recently held community workshop, as previously circulated, were discussed. It was agreed that wearing life jackets should be included under the 'Safety First' heading. It was agreed that assisting with unloading at the landing should be included. It was agreed that the following amendment be made: "If you drink alcohol whilst on-board please do not drink to excess or
	become impaired." It was agreed that references to 'lunch' be changed to 'meals' so as to accommodate options. Motion: Mayor / Cr D Griffiths "That the protocols for locals as amended be approved for community
	circulation." All in favour – Carried.
INTEGRE - New time lines for the extension	Cr M Christian reported that Delphine, of INTEGRE, has resigned from her position. A letter of acknowledgement from the Mayor and Council will be sent to Delphine. Cr M Christian added that INTEGRE has been extended to March 2018 and the dates for completion of all activities to 27th Jan 2018.
Lobster Data Collection Proposal	Cr M Christian reported that she has referred a Lobster Data Collection Proposal from Dr Andrew Jeffs' study of the Spiny Lobster to Dr Terry Dawson of the Darwin Project so as to facilitate efficient information sharing. It was agreed that Cr M Christian will continue to liaise with Dr Terry
	Dawson and the Administrator regarding developments.
Corrections Officers/Prison	The Administrator provided the names of the Corrections Officers thus far scheduled to staff the prison. Most have already spent time on Pitcairn. He added that there is still some work to do in readying the facility and additional equipment is arriving on the Aug Supply Ship The Governor will recommission the building, as a Prison, and it will become operational as such from 3 rd of September 2016.
	In terms of the reporting structure, there will be one Superintendent and 3 Corrections Officers. The Superintendent will report directly to on-island Administrator.
GENERAL BUSINESS	
Update on the Overseas Territories Child Safety MOU.	Cr Leslie Jaques reported that the Draft document has been reviewed by the FCA and the Administrator. Motion: Cr Jaques/ Cr Griffiths

Cr Leslie Jaques reported that the Draft document has been reviewed by the FCA and the Administrator. Motion: Cr Jaques/ Cr Griffiths "That council approve the draft MOU document as amended." All in favour – Carried ACTION: Cr Jacques will go back Pitcairn's Overseas Territories' colleagues with the proposed amendments and approval. Cr Lea Brown – suggested that Councillors review the 'Stop it Now' and the 'Circle of Life' programmes mentioned in the previously circulated documents. The Administrator also reported that he has forwarded Council's request for further on-island training. There ensued general discussion regarding the high benchmark Pitcairn
Island has now set, within the overseas territory group, for matters relating to child safe guarding. Cr M Christian reported that Dr Terry Dawson has advised he will provide her Department with a first draft Fisheries Management Plan by the end of this week. Cr Christian outlined that the document will be reviewed and circulated to the community and Council for further discussion. She reminded Council that the plan will be aligned to the MPA Ordinance, currently in development.
The Mayor conveyed that a public meeting will be held to share information with the archaeological consultant visiting the island in August. It was agreed that a Public Dinner will be held on Thursday 25th to welcome and farewell visitors and contracted professionals.

Date of Next Council Meeting: 9.00am Friday 26th August

Meeting Closed: 12.45pm

Mayor Shawn Christian: Start

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