



**PITCAIRN ISLAND COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held at the Public Hall**  
**Commencing at 9.00am 29 March 2023**

**Present:**

Mayor Simon Young, Deputy Mayor Shawn Christian, Cr Kevin Young, Cr Kerry Young, Cr Melva Evans, Administrator Fiona Kilpatrick

via **Video Link:** Cr Charlene Warren, Cr Heather Menzies

**Apologies:**

**In attendance:** Stephen Townsend, Shelley Paniora (ISEC)

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

Items	
1. Opening of the Meeting of 29 March 2023	Meeting Opened: 9.05am
2. Welcome all with Cr Melva Evans and Cr Kerry Young, along with moment of reflection.	
3. Call for items in General Business	Clarification was sought on Health Centre Policy <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Cost of Internet</li><li>• Alternative Land Court President</li></ul>
4. Actions Undertaken from the Regular Council Meeting of 19 December 2022	Action Register updated #22 – PRC Health Centre completed #23 – Completed #24 – Will see clarification, deferred till next meeting #25 – Completed #26 – Completed #27 – Underway #28 – Completed #29 – Call to be made for assistance from Community with this work. Discussion on the logistics and work involved for this was had.
5. Minutes of previous meetings	<b>Motion: Deputy Mayor/ Cr K Young</b> That the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting 21 February 2023 as circulated be approved.
<b>Standing Items</b>	
6. Mayor's Report	<b>Moved: Mayor/Deputy Mayor</b> Discussed along with conflicts of interest for the Council meetings. Query around price of stamps and issue of sign off for these.
7. PPS Report	<b>Moved: Mayor/Cr M Evans</b> Internet – Bill Haigh to carry on for a few weeks yet. Issues with internet and update provided. Internet is holding for now and troubleshooting continues for issues. Engineering – Update on the power issues for the island. DM Operations updated the meeting on this. Generator hours are high for power production, replacement order has been made with hope that replacements will be on June supply ship.

	<p>Question was asked is it the right time to have a Comms Technician and Engineer to undertake an assessment of the aging infrastructure? DM Ops felt this was a model to move towards. Need to look at having units maintained and this would be off island. Solar is also a factor in power issues and factoring this into island mains supply.</p> <p>Query on files between LMO and Registrar clarified.</p> <p><b>Cost of Internet</b> – Considering service with internet and community still paying the full price and question was raised around providing a rebate for when internet is not available. This is being looked into by the Mayor.</p> <p>Solar Farm update with SPC discussed. Details of site provided and a tender process is underway.</p>
11. Pitcairn Island Emergency Management	<p><b>Motion: Cr Kevin Young / Cr C Warren</b> That Council approves the HMG RAMCO boat be housed at the Landing in order to ensure a quicker response in the event of water rescue being needed, <i>and</i></p> <p><b>Motion: Cr H Menzies / Mayor</b> That Council approves all PI Fire Fighting Equipment be housed in one area at the Remand Centre</p> <p>Discussion was this portfolio is held currently by the CPO.</p>
8. Update on Starlink Trial	<p>Administrator provided update on this and general IT discussions also had. Speedcast has been extended and Speedcast looking at options to boost signal to the island but nothing has been finalised yet.</p>
<b>New Items</b>	
9. Date of Bi-election	<p><b>Motion: Mayor / Dep Mayor</b> That an election day for two Councillors' will take place, according to the requirements of law, on Tuesday 28 March 2023</p>
10. Settlement Visa Application – Tim van der Velde	<p><b>Motion: Cr Kevin Young / Mayor</b> That Council approves the Settlement Visa Application for Tim van der Velde who intends to travel to Pitcairn Island in April 2023.</p>
11. Pitcairn Island Emergency Response	Moved to earlier in the meeting.
12. Miscellany Privatisation	Moved to later in the meeting
13. LTV Application – Vera Kostyanova and William Baggs	<p><b>Motion: Mayor / Cr Kevin Young</b> That Council approves the LTV for Vera Kostyanova and William Baggs for a six-month period from October/November 2023 till June/July 2024</p> <p>Discussion was had on Russian vessels and travellers.</p>
14. 2024 Coin Proposals	<p><b>Motion: Cr Kerry Young / Dep Mayor</b> "That Council approves the use of HMS when referencing with the Bounty as being the term that is most commonly used in modern times rather than HMAV with series of coins passed</p> <p>Discussion was had on the relevance of a number of coin designs for Pitcairn and revenue around this.</p>
15. Coin Proposal – Pitcairn FIFA Women's World Cup	<p><b>Motion: Cr Kevin Young / Mayor</b> That Council approves the coin proposed commemorating the 2023 FIFA Women's World Cup</p>
16. Preparation for Kings Coronation	<p><b>Motion:</b> That a committee be appointed to ensure that Pitcairn Island residents are able to view the Coronation of King Charles III on 6 May 2023 in the hall at the Town Square.</p>

	<p>Discussion was had around the timing of the King's Coronation and what Pitcairn may wish to do to celebrate with potentially a community dinner.</p> <p><b>Action:</b> Deputy Mayor to organise celebrations with assistance from ISEC. Motion was not required.</p>
<p>17. Policy Approvals</p>	<p>Trading Table Policy Review – Concerns were raised from the members in the community that this policy may hampers those that are not normally resident from trading on cruise ships and the legalities of the policy if tested in court. AG has been asked for opinion on the legal question. PI Constitution and what citizenship entitlement are available in other countries was discussed. Discussion for and against and merits of policy were discussed. Decision on update deferred until response from AG received.</p> <p>Discussion was had on circulation of future policies and how this is will be managed prior to being placed on a Council agenda.</p> <p><b>Motion: Mayor / Cr Kevin Young</b> That Council approves the reviewed policy being the C-19 Travel and Quarantine.</p> <p><b>Motion: Mayor/ Cr Kevin Young</b> That Council provisionally approves the reviewed policy being the Health Centre Operational Policy Health Centre Charges – Annex A review with approval being sought from HMG prior to finalising.</p> <p>1 abstention – Cr M Evans</p> <p><b>Action:</b> Administrator will review the Health Centre Operational Policy before 7 April 2023 before policy is changed.</p> <p>Cr Melva Evans stated that she is not comfortable generally with Council writing and implementing policies for the PI Community.</p> <p><b>Motion: Cr Kevin Young / Cr Kerry Young</b> That Council approves the reviewed policy being the General Store Policy with Annexes A and B with policy to be reviewed again within three months subject to changes outlined below.</p> <p>Item 8.3 wording, <i>"and only essential items can be purchased"</i> included</p> <p>Item 5.7 wording to be moved to Debt Recovery section.</p> <p>Item 5.6 wording to be moved into Debt Recovery section.</p> <p>Item 5.8 wording to be moved to Debt Recovery section.</p> <p>Item 8.5 wording to be deleted.</p> <p>Item 8.6 wording to be included <i>"The Store Manager will be responsible to ensure that the General Store Customer Credit Account Agreement Form is completed and signed by existing and new customers and information shared with GT."</i></p> <p>Annex A is completed with copies to be held at the Store.</p> <p>Note: That points in the Annex are reflected in the policy. Discussion was had on private orders and liability around condition of goods when arriving to island and fine tuning of policy was discussed</p>

	<p><b>Action:</b> DM F and E will discuss with Store Manager the private liability of people placing orders in relation to proposed policy changes. Chair of PRC will action policy changes</p> <p>Update provided on Child Wellbeing policy also.</p>
12. Miscellany Privatisation	<p><b>Motion: Dep Mayor / Cr Kevin Young</b> That Council supports the Finance and Economics Division running a three-month trial with existing budgets, to sustain and refresh its delivery. This is to be achieved by utilising the existing three GPI Tourism, Sales and Marketing team”.</p> <p>Discussion was had by Council and IP of Miscellany Action: Administrator to advise DM Of Finance and Economics of the outcome.</p>
18. Council Quarterly Targets	<p><b>Motion: Mayor / Dep Mayor</b> That Council approves the Council Quarterly targets as previously circulated</p>
19. Council Quorum Number – deferred till May Regular Council meeting.	<p><b>Motion:</b> That Council looks to reduce the number required for a quorum from five to four for decision making Council meetings</p>
20. Plan of Works	<p><b>Action:</b> Mayor, Head of PPS and DM Ops will work on this further as per the feedback from the Community in the recent survey. This will come back to Council for consideration</p>
<b>Information Items</b>	
21. Subsidised Travel on Silver Supporter	<p>Cr Kevin Young gave the background to this proposal and history of subsidised travel on the Silver Supporter. Discussion around subsidised travel from Mangareva to Pitcairn leg of travel.</p> <p>This topic has been discussed with Evan Dunn from PIO as a ‘Grab a Berth” type concept and seeks to address concerns raised by the community around the high cost of travel hampering family visiting.</p> <p>Feedback was sought from Council in order to look at progressing this proposal.</p> <p>MoU between UK and Mangareva discussed and Pitcairn having the ability to use Mangareva as a transition point to Papeete.</p> <p>Action; Cr Kevin Young to gather more information from Tourism, Sales and Marketing.</p>
22. Correspondence received by Sue O’Keefe	<p>Received by Council. Action: ISEC to advise Sue O’Keefe that correspondence was received by Councillors.</p>
23. Role of FCA	<p>FCA is happy to periodically address and inform Council <b>Action:</b> Administrator will let FCA know that Council would welcome attendance to address the meeting.</p>
24. Update on Budgets	<p>Work is progressing in this area with information to be shared as it becomes available.</p>
25. ANZAC Day commemoration 2023	<p>Discussion on ANZAC Day commemorations for 25 April 2023 which is the same day as the Orion Cruise ship.</p>

General Business	
26. Alternative Lands Court President	Discussed and will talk to LMO around what applications are pending and conflicts of interest.
Date of next meeting	Wednesday 12 April 2023.
Meeting Closed –	13.46
Meeting Approved Mayor: <i>Simon Young</i> Date: 12 April 2023	