



## CONFIRMED MINUTES

**Meeting of the Community Consultative Committee (CCC) of the Shire of Christmas Island  
held at the George Fam Centre Training Room on Wednesday  
21<sup>st</sup> August commencing at 3.30 pm**

### **1 Declaration of Opening of Meeting / Announcement of Visitors**

1.1 Gordon **THOMSON** declared the meeting opened at 3.35 pm.

### **2 Record of Attendance/Apologies/Leave of Absence/Declarations of Financial, Proximity or Impartiality Interest**

#### **2.1 Record of Attendance**

President-SOCI	Gordon <b>THOMSON</b>
Council Representative	Kelvin <b>LEE</b>
Poon Saan Club	Patrick <b>CHAN</b>
CI Phosphates	Joy <b>WICKENDEN</b>
Union of Christmas Island Workers	Chris <b>SU</b>
CI Women's Association	Nora <b>KOH</b>
Islamic Council of Christmas Island	Greg <b>MCINTOSH</b>

#### **2.2 Apologies**

Chinese Literary Association	Gee <b>FOO</b>
CEO-SOCI	David <b>PRICE</b>
Council Representative	Hafiz <b>MASLI</b>
Christmas Island Neighbourhood Centre	Oliver <b>LINES</b>

#### **2.3 Declaration of Financial, Proximity or Impartiality Interest**

Nil.

#### **2.4 Public Question Time**

Nil.

### **3 Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meetings**

3.1

That the Minutes of 31 July 2019 held at the George Fam Centre, Shire of Christmas Island be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Moved:	Joy <b>WICKENDON</b>	Seconded:	Nora <b>KOH</b>
Carried	7/0	Resolution:	CCC6 / 2019

#### **3.2 Business Arising from Previous Minutes**

Gordon **THOMSON** reported that he spoke to Hugh **NANKIVELL** about a phone conference to be had between **NANKIVELL** / Dr. Andrew **DEAN** in Perth and the CCC on the island when Hugh **NANKIVELL** is in Perth in the following month.

Dr. Andrew **DEAN** is confirmed for an island fact finding visit from October 11<sup>th</sup> to 15<sup>th</sup>.

CCC wished to extend an invitation to IOTHS as well to attend the conference. CCC recalled that the matter of Chemo Waste Water needed to be planned for prior to commencement on any such trial as proposed at the last meeting by Hugh **NANKIVELL**.

Gordon **THOMSON** advised that the Christmas Island Strategic Assessment Steering Committee concept put forward of all the Enabling Agencies (agencies with legislative responsibilities regarding land management on CI being SOCI, Parks, DIRDC, Water Corp and IOTPA) has been rejected by DIRDC.

Gordon **THOMSON** reports that a Steering Committee made up of Parks, Dept. of Environment and DIRDC may have been established by DIRDC instead. Gordon **THOMSON** informed the CCC that a workshop with the consultants for the CISA will be had at the Recreation Centre from 2pm to 4pm on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> August.

## 4 Agenda Business

### 4.1 Proposals for CI Fisheries Ordinance

CCC reviewed the CI and CKI Fisheries Ordinances presented at the meeting as well as the D57-2019 Community Bulletin of 6<sup>th</sup> August '*CI and CKI Fisheries Ordinances*'.

Chris SU noted that the date of the bulletin release, 6<sup>th</sup> August, and the date of the deadline for comments to be returned to DIRDC, 23<sup>rd</sup> August, fell in between Council meetings for both the Shire of Christmas Island and the Shire of the Cocos (Keeling) Islands. The draft exposure could not be presented to either Council for discussion to a Council meeting and in addition, fell between the ordinary monthly CCC meetings also.

CCC reviewed a petition started by a community member with 124 signatures since 20<sup>th</sup> August 2019 on grievances with the proposed CI Fisheries Ordinance. The CCC reviewed the complaints and feedback that the petition's cover letter provided.

One of the members felt that the consultations that the Dept of Fisheries have had in Flying Fish Cove had been too long ago, and in addition, not featured any feedback from consultations. CCC agreed that there was a lack of feedback from consultations held by Dept of Fisheries and agencies in general on their service delivery on the island.

The CCC moved:

*That the CCC advises the Minister of the significant community opposition to the terms of the Christmas Island Applied Laws Amendment (Fish Resources Management) Ordinance 2019 expressed in the Exposure Draft.*

*That the Exposure Draft Ordinance Proposal be discontinued and that the Minister be advised that the Government should not proceed with issuing the ordinance on the grounds of significant community dissent and protest.*

Moved: Patrick **CHAN**  
Carried: 7/0

Seconded: Greg **MCINTOSH**  
Resolution: CCC7/2019

*The CCC determines to request the Department of Fisheries to provide the data and other evidence used to prepare the 2019 Exposure Draft.*

*The CCC proposes a Reference Group be established and that the CCC auspice this Reference Group, if the Minister so agrees, to develop fishing regulations acceptable to the Christmas Island Community.*

Moved: Chris **SU**  
Carried 7/0

Seconded: Greg **MCINTOSH**  
Resolution: CCC8/2019

#### **4.2 Email to CCC of 1<sup>st</sup> August 2019 – Bamboo Candles and PATS**

CCC reviewed the email of 1<sup>st</sup> August 2019. Chris SU informed the CCC that he had yet to collect more background regarding the Bamboo Candle ban and will return to the CCC by the following meeting with more details on the ban.

2016 reviewed IOTHS PATS Policy was reviewed by the CCC; discussed.

Arrangement at the IOTHS seemed to have the Management make a decision 'based on the doctor's assessment' about a patient's need for PATs services. The CCC agreed that the doctor should be the sole person making a PATs decision, with management there to administrate that decision with no role in the assigning of a PATs service or not.

Gordon **THOMSON** advised the CCC that PATS services was on the agenda for the Council's meeting with Minister Marino in Bunbury on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> August but that unfortunately the meeting was cancelled from the Minister's office because of pressing electoral matters. CCC agreed to leave the PATS discussion item on the agenda for discussion at the next meeting.

#### **5 General Business**

##### **6. Closure of Meeting**

6.1 The Meeting closed at 17.15

##### **7 Date of Next Meeting**

7.1 The date of next meeting is Wednesday 04 September 2019 at 3.30 pm