

CONFIRMED MINUTES

Ordinary Meeting held on 19 December 2023



Minutes of the Ordinary meeting of the Shire of Christmas Island Council held at the George Fam Chambers at 7.00pm on Tuesday 19 December 2023

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Ordinary Meeting of the Shire of Christmas Island held at the George Fam Chambers at 7.00pm on Tuesday 19 December 2023

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

1.1 The Deputy Shire President declared the meeting open at 7.00pm.

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE/ DECLARATIONS OF FINANCIAL INTEREST

1.2 Record of Attendance

Deputy President Cr Azmi **YON**Councillors Cr Philip **WOO**Cr Swee **TUNG**

Cr Vincent Cheng-Siew SAW

Cr Kelvin Kok Bin **LEE** Cr Kee Heng **FOO**

Chief Executive Officer
Director Planning, Governance & Policy/Minute Taker
Director Community/Recreation Services
Director Works, Services & Waste

David PRICE
Chris SU
Olivier LINES
Troy DAVIS

2.2 **Leave of Absence**

Councillor Cr Steve **PEREIRA**

- 2.3 Apologies
- 2.4 **Declarations of Financial/Impartiality/Proximity Interest**
- 3 RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE
- 4 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME
- 4.1 Cr Mel TUNG raised on behalf of a resident a request to install a convex mirror at the corner of Lam Lok Loh and Jalan Ketam Merah in Drumsite. Residents report difficulty in navigating that intersection in the proximity of 23-25 Lam Lok Loh.
 - CEO PRICE advised Council that staff will return on this with an update.
- 4.2 Cr Mel TUNG raised on behalf an Arenga Close resident a request to install speed calming measures on Arenga Close. Residents in the area concerned for children who play in the vicinity. Director Troy DAVIS advised Council that the police as speed limit enforcers should be the first point of call in safe road *usage*, whereas local government provides safe roads to use.
 - Cr Mel TUNG responded that she had informed the residents of this first option; they had continued to ask Cr TUNG to progress their request.

CEO PRICE advised Council he will refer this matter to the AFP. Councillors noted the speed limit in a built up zone is 40km/h.

4.3 Cr Phillip WOO informed the Council that the boom gate in Drumsite Park is not secured, with what appears to be a broken hinge. CEO PRICE confirms that this boom gate is the property of PRL who utilise a legacy thoroughfare through the public space for oversize vehicles to enter the Drumsite Workshop.

CEO PRICE advised he will raise this with PRL.

5 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

5.1 Cr Hafiz MASLI and Cr Gordon THOMSON application for leave of absence

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr Seconded: Cr Res. No: 122/23

That the leave of absence application submitted by Cr Hafiz MASLI (12/12/2023 to 19/01/2024) and by Cr Gordon THOMSON (19/12/23 to 20/12/23) be approved.

Carried: 6/0

For Cr YON Cr FOO Cr WOO Cr TUNG Cr SAW Cr LEE

Against

- 6 PETITIONS/DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS
- 7 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS/BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS
- **7.1 Minutes of Ordinary Council Meeting held on 21 November 2023** Members considered the unconfirmed minutes.

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr LEE Seconded: Cr FOO Res. No: 123/23

That Council adopt the unconfirmed minutes of the 21 November 2023 Council Meeting.

Carried: 6/0

For Cr YON Cr FOO Cr WOO
Cr TUNG Cr SAW Cr LEE

Against

- **7.2** Business Arising from the Minutes of Previous Meetings
- 8 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDING MEMBER WITHOUT DISCUSSION
- 9 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

10 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

10.1 Chief Executive Officer

10.1.1 Annual Report 2023

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr FOO Seconded: Cr WOO Res. No: 124/23

- 1. The Shire of Christmas Island Annual Report for 2023 is accepted.
- 2. An Elector's General Meeting is held on Tuesday 6 February 2024 commencing at 6.30pm for the purpose prescribed by the Local Government Act 1995 (WA) (CI).
- 3. The Chief Executive Officer is to give notice of the Elector's Meeting and to ensure that statutory requirements regarding the acceptance of the Annual Report 2023 are met.

Carried: 6/0 Absolute Majority

For Cr YON Cr FOO Cr WOO Cr TUNG Cr SAW Cr LEE

Against

10.1.2 Direct Purchase Report

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr LEE Seconded: Cr SAW Res. No: 125/23

Council receives the Direct purchase Report from the CEO

Carried: 6/0

For Cr YON Cr FOO Cr WOO

Cr TUNG Cr SAW Cr LEE

Against

10.2 Director Finance & Administration

10.2.1 Schedule of Accounts – November 2023

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr FOO Seconded: Cr LEE Res. No: 126/23

That Council approves the expenditure as presented in November 2023 Schedule of Accounts

Carried: 6/0

For Cr YON Cr FOO Cr WOO

Cr TUNG Cr SAW Cr LEE

Against

10.2.2 Financial Statements – November 2023

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr LEE Seconded: Cr TUNG Res. No: 127/23

That Council receives the Financial Statements of November 2023 for the Municipal Fund.

Carried: 6/0

For Cr YON Cr FOO Cr WOO
Cr TUNG Cr SAW Cr LEE

Against

- 10.3 Director Community/Recreation Services & Training
- 10.4 Director Works, Services & Waste
- 10.5 Director Planning, Governance & Policy
- 10.5.1 Regulation 5- Financial Management Review

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr LEE Seconded: Cr FOO Res. No: 128/23

That Council receive the Regulation 5 – Financial Management Review from Paxon Consulting.

Carried: 6/0

For Cr YON Cr FOO Cr WOO
Cr TUNG Cr SAW Cr LEE

Against

- 11 ELECTED MEMBERS MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN
- 12 NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE INTRODUCED BY DECISION OF THE MEETING
- 13 BEHIND CLOSED DOORS
- 14 CLOSURE OF MEETING

The Deputy Shire President closed the meeting at 7.29pm

15 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 6 February 2024