



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 31 July 2019 commencing at 3.00 pm

1 Declaration of Opening of Meeting / Announcement of Visitors

- 1.1 Gordon **THOMSON** declared the meeting opened at 3.25 pm.

Visitor local resident Hugh **NANKIVELL** is making a presentation at CCC.

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

2.1 Record of Attendance

President-SOCI	Gordon THOMSON
CEO-SOCI	David PRICE
Poon Saan Club	Patrick CHAN
Council Representative	Hafiz MASLI
CI Phosphates	Joy WICKENDEN
Union of Christmas Island Workers	Chris SU
CI Women's Association	Nora KOH
Christmas Island Neighbourhood Centre	Oliver LINES
Islamic Council of Christmas Island	Greg MCINTOSH

Island Resident, Visitor Hugh **NANKIVELL**

2.2 Apologies

Council Representative	Kelvin LEE
Chinese Literary Association	Gee FOO

2.3 Declaration of Financial, Proximity or Impartially Interest

Nil.

2.4 Public Question Time

Nil.

3 Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meetings

3.1

That the Minutes of 29 May 2019 held at the George Fam Centre, Shire of Christmas Island be confirmed as a true and accurate record.

Moved:	Hafiz MASLI	Seconded:	David PRICE
Carried	9/0	Resolution:	CCC5/2019

3.2 Business Arising from Previous Minutes

Greg **MCINTOSH** asked if the Shire is still a member of the Indian Ocean Territories Regional Development Organisation (IOTRDO).

Gordon **THOMSON** replied that the Shire of Cocos (Keeling) Island and the Shire of Christmas Island have both been removed from the IOTRDO membership.

Gordon **THOMSON** recounted how the two Local Government entities in the IOTs came to be removed from the IOTRDO membership.

- A Special General Meeting (SGM) was called for December 2018 to accept a new constitution for the IOTRDO; this new constitution had wording that removed the two Shires as members.
- Although it was passed by more than the 75% requirement by the IOTRDO members that sat at that December 2018 meeting, the decision was referred to the WA Dept of Commerce Commissioner for review by two members (Gordon **THOMSON** and Chris **SU**) who did not believe that the WA Incorporated Association Act and Regulations had been met at the meeting.
- The WA Dept of Commerce Commissioner found that the December 2018 SGM wasn't valid and ruled in favour of the complainants Gordon **THOMSON** and Chris **SU**.
- A new May 2019 Special General Meeting was held and material provided to members in line with the requirements of the WA Incorporated Association Act and Regulations this time. The constitution was passed by more than 75% of the membership at the Special General Meeting.
- The new constitution states that all members of the IOTRDO are 'individual members' and so represent only their own interests as community residents in the IOTs. The membership of former Shire of Cocos representative Andrea **SELVEY** and Shire of Christmas representative Gordon **THOMSON** were 'converted' by the Chairperson (who now under the new constitution has the sole power to confer membership, as opposed to the old method which was by vote of the committee) into 'individual membership.'
- Gordon **THOMSON** disputes that he can't be a member of the IOTRDO in this manner as he sees himself as the Shire nominee; the Chair of the IOTRDO Natasha **GRIGGS** however contends that he is.

Greg **MCINTOSH** asked if the Shire of Christmas Island has a position on the Christmas Island Strategic Assessment Community Reference Group (CISA CRG).

Gordon **THOMSON** responded that the Shire does have representation and through a motion of the July Ordinary Council Meeting, that it is he.

The Chairperson of the IOTRDO and of the CISA CRG is Administrator Natasha **GRIGGS**. **AECOM** is the consultancy that will produce the PLAN and the REPORT for the CI Strategic Assessment, due in December 2020.

Gordon **THOMSON** states that SOCI has a seat on the CISA CRG for regulatory reasons. Provided background that CIP and SOCI led the request to the Minister to do a Strategic Assessment in 2018; this is underway now.

Gordon **THOMSON** says that the goal is to integrate the CISA with local government legislative instruments the Local Planning Strategy (LPS) and the Town Planning Scheme (TPS).

Joy **WICKENDON** says that this will be a clarification to land management that once the CISA is completed that people will be clear on what can be done and where.

Gordon **THOMSON** continued that as yet it is not known who is on the CISA CRG or what the Terms of Reference for the group is.

Greg **MCINTOSH** informed the meeting that he was approached to put in an expression of interest to join the CISA CRG.

Gordon **THOMSON** informed the meeting of SOCI's proposal to DIRDC to form a Steering Committee for the CISA program (CISA SC). It would be comprised of 'Enabling Agencies' which are agencies that have legislative instruments in place on the island and obligations around various Acts and Regulations when it comes to land use and development.

The Enabling Agencies proposed by SOCI to form the CISA SC are Water Corporation, SOCI, DIRDC, IOTPA and PARKS. The CISA SC would oversee the work of the consultant within the lens of their legislative instruments through to CISA's completion at December 2020. This would provide an efficient way to ensure that the final CISA document fits into the framework of legislative instruments on island and would be able to meet all obligations required.

If **AECOM's** work was continually observed to ensure that the CISA plan they produce (which is not a legislative instrument) fits in with the required legislative instruments on island, the integration will ensure a singular framework for all developers to use.

4 Agenda Business

4.1 Proposal for a Cancer Wellness Clinic on Christmas Island

Hugh **NANKIVELL** presents to the CCC on a proposed Cancer Wellness Clinic on CI.

Whilst engaging in care for his cancer on the mainland, he was referred to Dr. Andrew **DEAN** who practices at Genesis Care Cancer Centre in Joondalup and St. John of God in Subiaco.

Dr. Andrew **DEAN** arranged for Hugh **NAKIVELL's** chemo appointments to suit his travel to CI.

A blood test for certain markers is required several days before each chemo appointment. A low indicator of this marker indicates improvement. Dr. Andrew **DEAN** documented significantly reduced markers in Hugh **NANKIVELL's** bloodwork during his treatment.

In the research for his illness Hugh **NANKIVELL** came across new medical research recommending that chemo patients undergo a targeted physical exercise program between chemo applications instead of the current practice of rest between treatments. This new research suggests that targeted physical exercise during chemo treatment significantly improves the effectiveness of recovery. Hugh **NANKIVELL** posits that the warmer climates in the tropics and in particular the island conditions were very conducive to his own recovery and would do so for others.

Dr Andrew **DEAN** and Hugh **NANKIVELL's** discussed the idea of a Cancer Wellness Centre on Christmas Island along with other technical staff on the Genesis team.

A pilot program was proposed where a Cancer Wellness Centre would be created to provide chemo on island, nutrition care and an exercise regime for a cohort of around 20 patients for a trial month.

This trial month will collect data on blood markers and assess if being located on CI had improved the patients' recovery during the proposed period of on island treatment.

Hugh **NANKIVELL** proposed that a positive reception be had for Dr. Andrew **DEAN** who is scheduling himself to visit in the following months. Hugh **NANKIVELL** has engaged with CITA, IOTHS and the Administration on this idea; CITA is planning a welcome event for Dr. Andrew **DEAN**.

Nora **KOH** asked will the patients be staying at the IOTHS hospital?

Hugh **NANKIVELL** said that would not be the case and that the patients would have to source their own accommodation. He posited that the patients would be travelling with family members and opt for self-enclosed accommodation options considering the possible 4 week timeframe for their on island treatment. The visiting medical team operating the month long clinic would also have to have accommodation sourced.

Joy **WICKENDON** asked if the bloodwork required around chemo treatments could be done on Christmas Island? CCC members aware that some bloodwork can be handled on the island by the resident medical scientist and that some had to be sent off island.

Hugh **NANKIVELL** had been scouting for a possible location for the trial month pilot program and had two venues for consideration by Dr. Andrew **DEAN**: Seaview Lodge (Old Mine Managers House) and Rumah Tinggi.

Chris **SU** said that these locations were zoned Tourism / Commercial and might have to undergo a Change of Use under planning regulations to allow for a Medical Consultancy to be had there. This would involve statutory requirements in providing a timeframe for neighbours to give feedback on the matter, etc.

Greg **MCINTOSH** put forward that waste disposal for the chemo waste would need to be planned for and considered. CCC agreed that management of the chemo waste would be an important aspect to the planning process for the proposal.

Hugh **NANKIVELL** stated that the delivery of chemo treatment involved actually a minimum of medical supplies and could be done in most rooms with little conversion. The trial project if moved forward would not require the investment of the Commonwealth; the only aspect of treatment would be if IOTHS could perform the bloodwork for a determined fee for service charge if it was possible to be done on island.

Gordon **THOMSON** asked how can the CCC help?

Hugh **NANKIVELL** said that a community reception to welcome Dr. Andrew **DEAN** on his scouting trip would be appreciated, that the 'sell' of CI was not just the weather and calm, but the community and culture of the place.

4.2 Heritage Management Plans for Commonwealth Heritage List sites

Chris **SU** submitted summary (attached) of the actions that the Commonwealth has recent undertaken to ensure their compliance with the EPBC Act in terms of Heritage Management.

CCC received the summary.

Gordon **THOMSON** noted that all Heritage Management Plans had a public comment period before they were sent to the Minister for adoption and this would provide island residents with the opportunity to provide feedback on heritage concerns such as the CI Club.

5 General Business

6. Closure of Meeting

6.1 The Meeting closed at 16.32

7 Date of Next Meeting

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