



PITCAIRN ISLAND COUNCIL
Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting held at the Public Hall
Commencing at 9.00am 13th Jan 2021

Present:

Mayor Charlene Warren, Deputy Mayor Kevin Young, Cr Shawn Christian, Cr Leslie Jaques (Temp Recorder), Cr Lea Brown, Administrator Mark Tomlinson, Cr Michele Christian, and Cr Ariel Harding

Apologies:

In attendance: None

Welcome: The Mayor welcomed Council to the table and Cr S Christian opened with a prayer.

Agenda Item	Tabled by
ACTIONS / Matters Arising from Regular Council Meeting of 9 Dec 2020	<p>Division Managers and the Administrator discuss fair remuneration for the 2020 holiday period for GPI employees at their meeting on Tues 15th Dec 2020 and report back to Council.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Placed on hold pending further discussion.</i></p> <p>The Guide to the Wildlife of Pitcairn of Pitcairn Islands – proposal will be referred to the relevant Divisions for further discussion with the applicant. The Divisions will report back to Council.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">The Administrator will report Council’s decision to Dr Irving.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Awaiting further discussion.</i></p> <p>The link to the Prince of Wales’ JMC speech and Pitcairn’s final Communique will be circulated to all Councillors by end of 10th Dec 2020)</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Done.</i></p> <p>Actions to be carried forward.</p> <p>The Deputy Mayor will populate the template provided by the AGs Office with all relevant government fees and circulate to all Councillors before submission to the Governor.</p> <p><i>On-Going.</i></p> <p>Child Safeguarding Audit.</p> <p>Council will hold a closed workshop as soon as the report is available to discuss its findings and recommendations.</p> <p><i>On-going.</i></p>
Approval of the Regular Council Meeting Minutes of 9 th Dec 2020	<p>MOTION; Cr S Christian/Deputy Mayor Young.</p> <p>“That the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of 9 Dec 2020 as previously circulated, be approved.</p> <p>All in favour / Carried</p>

Budgets	The Administrator suggested Divisions look at discretionary spending with a view to reductions in all areas except wages. DM's would meet next week to take the process further.
Silver Supporter Shipping Contract.	Administrator confirmed no changes to the contract as advised at meeting of 9 December 2020.
Update on Settlement Application Approval.	Marcus Ruff has received his letter confirming settlement approval. Masterton Family settlement application to be confirmed. Action Point Masterton settlement confirmation awaited.
Financial Review committee.	Awaiting further responses from FCDO re cost-of-living analysis. Deputy Mayor explained the evolving concept of cost-of-living analysis to arrive at a living wage. Action Point Deputy Mayor to follow up with FCDO.
Update on Covid-19 Protocols.	Dr Jack recommended a revised isolation period for returning residents be reduced from 14 days to 10 with testing on day 2 and day 7. Council has provisionally approved Mayor/Deputy Mayor with a Public Meeting scheduled for Friday 15 January at 9.00 am. DR Jack discussed the mutated virus and implications. Pitcairn remains cautious and isolated. Astro Zeneca Vaccine should be available to the community during 2021. Initial dose on day 1 and a booster 30 days later is planned. Enough Vaccines are being delivered to cover the entire community. Medevac emergency policy remains unchanged. No French Navel visits are currently planned so supplies and Dental Services via this route are not currently an option.
Brexit	A number of letters and memo's from FCDO relating to Brexit have been circulated. We await a decision on funding to replace EDF. Pitcairn have asked for a pro-rated distribution along the lines of the current EDF scenario. Pitcairn's relationship will continue with the EU in the short term under PROTÉGÉ the Pacific Regional Programme.
Pitcairn Coin Issues.	A Proposal was tabled for three-coin issues for the coming year. Approved Mayor/ Cr M Christian. All agreed.
Bonus Payments and Annual Leave.	Administrator will discuss the holiday pay scenarios with Divisional Managers and arrive at an appropriate formula for holidays going forward. Action On-Going.
Covid Support Package	The Administrator advised that discussions on the detail of a possible Covid support package had yet to be finalised. A number of related issues and possible options were discussed in detail. Action On-Going.
General Business Matters	
Tuesday Check in..	Following discussions with Council and the Administrator It was agreed to dispense with the Tuesday Check in format and discuss matters formally in Council which will meet monthly.
Personal Budgeting.	It was agreed that F&E Division would run a series of Budgeting for the new world seminars to assist the community in the current financial situation. Action On-Going.

New Deputy Governor	The Administrator advised that Alasdair Hamilton has been appointed Deputy Governor to replace Robin Shackell in early February.
Bounty Day 2021	As Bounty Day this year falls on Sabbath an alternate date of Friday or Sunday to be discussed at the public meeting.
SDP Review	It was agreed to hold the quarterly review of the SDP following the Council Meeting of Wednesday 17 Feb.
Media Enquiries.	It was agreed that all media enquiries would be routed via the Deputy Governor.
.	
Meeting Closed at 12.30 pm	
.	
Next Meeting.	Next meeting set for 9.00 am Wednesday 17 February 2021
.	
Approved 17/02/ 2021.	Mayor Charlene Warren.