

Draft Minutes

TORRES STRAIT ISLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL

SEPTEMBER 2020

Tuesday 15th September 2020, 10:30am – 5:00pm
Wednesday 16th September 2020, 9:00am – 3:00pm

Video Conference

COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING

Tuesday 15th September 2020

Agenda Items

1. 10:30am – 10:35am Welcome and Opening Remarks
2. 10:35am – 10:40am Apologies
3. 10:45am – 10:50am Declaration of Conflict of Interest (COI) / Material Person Interest (MPI)
4. 10:50am – 11:00am Confirmation of Meeting Minutes
 - August 2020 Ordinary Meeting
5. 11:00am – 11:15am Outstanding Ordinary Meeting Action Items

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9. 11:50pm – 12:20pm ENGINEERING – CB – Funding Matter – Tide Gauge Project Funding Agreement

- 12:20pm – 1:20pm – LUNCH**

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11. 1:40pm – 2:10pm CORPORATE – CB – Local Government Area External Boundary Review
12. 2:10pm – 2:25pm LEGAL SERVICES – CB – Noting Report – Complaints FY19/20
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COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING
Wednesday 16th September 2020
Agenda Items

19. **9:00am – 9:05am** Welcome and opening prayer
20. **9:05am - 10:05am** **PRESENTATION 1:** Mr Joseph Lui, Safety Systems Specialist Trainer and Mr Chris Davey, Senior Manager – My Pathway
- Repairs and Maintenance Program Strategy to Social Housing for Mer and strategy to evolve to each island
 - Economic Strategy for each island
 - Operation Plan for region
 - Partnership with TSIRC/Qld Housing

10:05am – 10:30am - MORNING TEA

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23. **11:00am – 11:15am** CORPORATE – Cultural Arts and Heritage Committee Terms of Reference
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27. **12:00pm – 12:15pm** CORPORATE – Strategic Advisory Reference Group Committee Terms of Reference
28. **12:15pm – 12:30pm** CORPORATE – Community Grants allocation September 2020

12:30pm – 1:30pm – LUNCH

29. **1:30pm – 3:00pm** CORPORATE – Community Grants Policy

3:00pm – 3:30pm - AFTERNOON TEA

30. **3:30pm – 3:40pm** Business Arising from Information Reports
31. **3:40pm – 3:50pm** Next Meeting Scheduled – Tuesday 20th and Wednesday 21st October 2020
Proposed Change of Date: Wednesday 21st and Thursday 22nd October 2020
32. **3:50pm – 4:00pm** Special Meeting Dates
33. **4:00pm – 4:30pm** Strategic Matters
34. **4:30pm – 4:45pm** Closing Remarks and Prayers

Tuesday 15th September 2020

Present

Cr Phillemon Mosby, Mayor
Cr Dimas Toby, Division 1 – Boigu
Cr Torenzo Elisala, Division 2 – Dauan
Cr Conwell Tabuai, Division 3 – Saibai
Cr Keith Fell, Division 4 – Mabuig
Cr Laurie Nona, Division 5 – Badu
Cr Lama Trinkoon, Division 6 – Kubin, Mua Island
Cr Seriako Dorante, Division 8 – Kirriiri
Cr Getano Lui Jnr, Division 9 – Iama
Cr Kabay Tamu, Division 10 – Warraber
Cr Francis Pearson, Division 11 – Poruma
Cr Hilda Mosby, Division 12 - Masig
Cr Rocky Stephen, Division 13 – Ugar
Cr Aven Noah, Division 15 – Mer

Ms Hollie Faithfull, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Mr Ilario Sabatino, Chief Operating Officer
Mr David Baldwin, Head of Engineering
Mr Peter Krebs, Manager Legal Services
Mr Luke Ranga, Head of Corporate Affairs and Engagement
Ms Mette Nordling, Manager Governance and Compliance
Mrs Kathy Cochran – Senior Executive Assistant
Ms Naila Nomoa – Secretariat Officer

Apologies

Cr John Levi, Division 7 – St Pauls, Mua Island
Cr Boggo Gela, Division 14 – Erub

1. **10:30am – 10:35am** **Welcome and Opening Remarks**

Mayor Mosby did a roll call of Councillors and staff present.

2. **9:49am – 9:50am** **Apologies**

Apologies have been received from:

- Cr John Levi, Division 7 – St Pauls
- Cr Boggo Gela, Division 14 – Erub

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Tabuai Second: Cr Pearson

That Council accepts the apologies from Cr Levi and Cr Gela for his absence at this meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

3. **9:50am – 9:54am** **Declaration of Conflict of Interest (COI) / Material Person Interest (MPI)**

- Cr Pearson declared a material personal interest in relation to item 8 – Contractual matter – 53 Yessie Street, Warraber, as his brother resides at the house on Warraber)
- Cr Tamu declared a conflict of interest in relation to item 8 – Contractual matter – 53 Yessie Street, Warraber, as he is related to the resident.

9:54am – 10:37am Morning Tea Break

Mayor Mosby did a roll call to ensure a quorum was present.

4. **10:39am – 10:41am** **Confirmation of Meeting Minutes**

August 2020 Ordinary Meeting

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Toby Second: Cr Pearson

That the minutes of the Council Meeting held in August 2020, be adopted as a true and accurate record of that meeting.

MOTION CARRIED

5. **10:41am – 11.15am** **Outstanding Ordinary Meeting Action Items**

Acting CEO spoke to Action Items.

Boigu - IT Room (Cr Toby advised that the Video conference facility was not working)

Head of Corporate Affairs will speak to councillors for 2 x councillors Top 5 priorities

Cr Nona – HLO Raw Fitness on Badu Island

- Council to look into Raw Fitness (Current structure or improvements)

Cr Noah – to send his HLO query through to the Mayor.

Cr Tamu - Look into vehicle (CEO to take offline)

Cr Noah – to provide update.

Acting CEO will provide an update in general business each meeting for professional development.

Team Building - Still working on for November workshop.

Corporate services - social media platforms to be presented on November workshop in Cairns.

Cr Elisala – will forward an email to Head of Corporate Affairs.

Diploma Certificate for councillors that completed the course - Cr Toby

Cr Toby - Vehicle (Acting CEO to call Cr Toby)

Cr Fell - Business Card to be changed to the original designs.

6. 11:02am – 11:15am COUNCIL MOVE INTO CLOSED BUSINESS

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Elisala; Second: Cr Noah

That in accordance with section 275(1) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 (Qld) it is resolved for the meeting to go into closed session to discuss matters of the following nature:

- a) the appointment, dismissal, or discipline of employees;
- e) Contracts proposed to be made by Council;
- h) Business for which public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of Council or someone else or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

MOTION CARRIED

Staff asked to leave room at 11:03am.

Staff came back to the room at 11:36am.

- 7. 11:03am – 11:37am LEGAL – Appointment of acting CEO
- 8. 11:37am – 11:46am ENGINEERING – CB – Funding Matter – QCoast 2100
CHAS Phases 4 and 5
- 9. 11:46am – 11:55am ENGINEERING – CB – Funding Matter – Tide Gauge
Project Funding Agreement

12:00pm – 1:00pm – LUNCH
- 10. 1:10pm – 1:26pm ENGINEERING – CB – Noting Report – Dauan Pontoon
and Gangway
- 11. 1:26pm – 1:52pm CORPORATE – CB – Local Government Area External
Boundary Review
- 12. 1:52pm – 2:22pm LEGAL SERVICES – CB – Noting Report – Complaints
FY19/20
- 13. 2:22pm – 2:35pm ASSETS – CB – Contractual Matter Thursday Island
Council Office Roof Replacement
- 14. 2:35pm – 3:53pm OPERATIONS – CB - TCICA Membership
- 15. 2:53pm – 3:03pm BUILDING SERVICES – CB – Contractual Matter – 53

Yessie Street, Warraber

16. 3:03pm – 3:16pm

COUNCIL MOVE OUT OF CLOSED BUSINESS

Moved: Cr Fell; Second: Cr Lui;

That Council move out of Closed Business

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTIONS ARISING FROM MATTERS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION.

LEGAL – Appointment of Acting CEO

Resolution:

Moved: Cr Trinkoon Second: Cr Nona

Council resolves, that under Section 195 of the Local Government Act 2009, Council appoint Hollie Faithfull as Acting Chief Executive Officer until further resolution of Council ending Hollie Faithfull's appointment as Acting Chief Executive Officer.

MOTION CARRIED

ENGINEERING – CB – Funding Matter – QCoast 2100 CHAS Phases 4 and 5

Chief Engineering Officer spoke to report.

Resolution:

Moved: Cr Noah Second: Cr Mosby

Council resolves to delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer under the provisions of the *Local Government Act 2009* to:

Enter into the proposed Funding Agreement for Phases 4 and 5 of the QCoast2100 Coastal Hazard Adaptation Strategy (CHAS) for the grant sum of \$256,729.00 excluding GST on the terms and conditions proposed by LGAQ to the CEOs satisfaction.

MOTION CARRIED

ENGINEERING – CB – Funding Matter – Tide Gauge Project Funding Agreement

Chief Engineering Officer spoke to report.

Resolution:

Moved: Cr Nona Second: Cr Stephen

Council resolves to delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer under the provisions of the *Local Government Act 2009* to:

Enter into the proposed Funding Agreement for the Tide gauge and sea level gauge operations, maintenance, and tidal plane study, with the Torres Strait Regional Authority (TSRA) for the grant of funding in the sum \$822,422.00 excluding GST on the terms and conditions proposed by TSRA to the CEO's satisfaction.

MOTION CARRIED

ENGINEERING – CB – Noting Report – Dauan Pontoon and Gangway

Chief of Engineering gave a verbal update.

Cr Levi joined the meeting at 1.24pm

CORPORATE – CB – Local Government Area External Boundary Review

Head of Corporate spoke to report.

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Nona Second: Cr Trinkoon

Council resolves to;

- 1 have the Mayor, in collaboration with the Mayor of the Northern Peninsula Area Regional Council, raise the matter of local government area external boundary review through a formal deputation with Torres Shire Council at their October 2020 Ordinary Meeting, and;
- 2 formally request in writing to the Minister of Local Government, Racing and Multicultural Affairs, an external boundary review of the existing local government area by the Local Government Change Commission.

MOTION CARRIED

LEGAL SERVICES – CB – Noting Report – Complaints FY19/20

Manager of Legal services spoke to report.

RECOMMENDATION

Moved: Cr Levi; Second: Cr Tamu

That Council resolves to note the content of this report.

MOTION CARRIED

ASSETS – CB – Contractual Matter Thursday Island Council Office Roof Replacement

Manager Governance and Compliance and acting Chief Executive Officer spoke to report.

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Pearson Second: Cr Tabuai

Council resolves to:

- 1 Endorse the Special Levy Notice as per EGM Motion 17 August 2020, to the approved budget amount of \$242,802.27, to replace the Thursday Island Council Office Roof Lot 2, 46 Victoria Parade

And

- 2 Delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the Local Government Act 2009 to enter into contract, negotiate, finalise, and execute any and all matters associated with this matter

MOTION CARRIED

OPERATIONS – CB - TCICA Membership

Chief Operating Officer spoke to report.

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Noah Second: Cr Fell

That Council resolves to:

- Discontinue membership to Torres Cape Indigenous Council Alliance Inc (TCICA). TSIRC to firmly retain Cultural Integrity, Relevance, and Purpose as standalone entity.
- Non-member relations be maintained same as with other indigenous councils. Engagement enabled through invitations from either party that is consistent with other councils; connection with TCICA.
- Focus and resources (10K) is optimised and channelled to TSIRC priorities i.e. strengthening of Regional Governance between TSIRC, TSC and NPARC

MOTION CARRIED

BUILDING SERVICES – CB – Contractual Matter – 53 Yessie Street, Warraber

Councillor Pearson and Councillor Tamu left the room

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Nona; *Second:* Cr Trinkoon

Council resolves to:

1. **Submit a tender to the Queensland State Government through the Department of Housing and Public Works to carry out various upgrade works at 53 Yessie Street, Warraber Island (BASFNQ0483BLD3) with a tender price of \$269,104.41 excl of GST**
and
2. **delegate to the Chief Executive Officer's submit the tender, enter into contracts, negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters in relation to this tender.**

MOTION CARRIED

17. **3:03pm – 3:16pm** **COUNCIL MOVE OUT OF CLOSED BUSINESS**

Moved: Cr Fell; *Second:* Cr Lui;

That Council move out of Closed Business

MOTION CARRIED

3:16pm – 3:16pm **COUNCIL MOVE INTO CLOSED BUSINESS**

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Pearson; *Second:* Cr Tamu

That in accordance with section 275 (1) of the Local Government Regulation 2012 (Qld) it is resolved for the meeting to go into closed session to discuss matters of the following nature:

- h) **Business for which public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of Council or someone else or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.**

MOTION CARRIED

18. **3:16pm – 4:44pm** **MAYORAL DISCUSSION**

Staff left the room for Mayoral discussion.

4:55pm – 5:00pm **Meeting Closed**

Wednesday 16th September 2020

Present

Cr Phillemon Mosby, Mayor
Cr Dimas Toby, Division 1 – Boigu
Cr Torengo Elisala, Division 2 – Dauan
Cr Conwell Tabuai, Division 3 – Saibai
Cr Keith Fell, Division 4 – Mabuiag
Cr Laurie Nona, Division 5 – Badu
Cr Lama Trinkoon, Division 6 – Kubin, Mua Island
Cr John Levi, Division 7 – St Pauls, Mua Island
Cr Seriako Dorante, Division 8 – Kirriri
Cr Getano Lui Jnr, Division 9 – Iama
Cr Kabay Tamu, Division 10 – Warraber
Cr Francis Pearson, Division 11 – Poruma
Cr Hilda Mosby, Division 12 – Masig
Cr Rocky Stephen, Division 13 – Ugar
Cr Boggo Gela, Division 14 – Erub
Cr Aven Noah, Division 15 – Mer

Ms Hollie Faithfull, Acting Chief Executive Officer
Mr Ilario Sabatino, Chief Operating Officer
Mr David Baldwin, Head of Engineering
Mr Peter Krebs, Manager Legal Services
Mr Luke Ranga, Head of Corporate Affairs and Engagement
Ms Mette Nordling – Manager of Governance and Compliance
Ms Naila Nomoa – Secretariat Officer

Apologies

COUNCIL ORDINARY MEETING
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19. **9:00am – 9:15am**

Welcome and opening prayer

- Acknowledge great creator
- Families organisation and out people
- Traditional owners/past present and emerging.

Mayor Mosby invited Cr Fell to open with Prayer.

20. **9:15am - 10:05am**

PRESENTATION 1: Mr Joseph Lui, Safety Systems Specialist Trainer and Mr Chris Davey, Senior Manager – My Pathway

- **Repairs and Maintenance Program Strategy to Social Housing for Mer and strategy to evolve to each island**
- **Economic Strategy for each island**
- **Operation Plan for region**
- **Partnership with TSIRC/Qld Housing**

Declaration of Conflict of Interest (COI) / Material Person Interest (MPI)

- Cr Getano Lui declared a Conflict of Interest in item 23 – Presentation due to being related to the presenter.
- Cr Aven Noah declared a Conflict of Interest in item 23 – Presentation due to being related to the presenter.
- Cr Stephen declared a Conflict of Interest in item 23 – Presentation due to being related to the presenter.
- Cr Gela declared a Conflict of Interest in item 23 – Presentation due to being related to the presenter.

Moved; Cr Pearson Second; Cr Elisala

Council resolves that the conflicted Councillors can stay in the room and participate in the discussion

MOTION CARRIED

- Housing and Maintenance Program
- Upskill our people
- Goal – Build capacity with PBC (MER)

Cr Fell supports Mr Lui and has seen his work.

10:05am – 10:30am - MORNING TEA

21. 10:35am – 10:42am OCEO – Christmas Break Period

Acting Chief Executive Officer spoke to report.

RESOLUTION:

Moved; Cr Pearson Second; Cr Nona

Council resolves to endorse the Christmas break of Council operations (office closure) from 12 noon on Thursday 24 December 2020 with operations to reopen on Monday 4 January 2021, noting that limited staff will be employed over the Christmas break.

MOTION CARRIED

10:42am – 10:45am

CORPORATE – Climate Change Adaptation and Environment Committee Terms of Reference

Manager of Governance and Compliance spoke to report.

RESOLUTION:

Moved; Cr Noah Second; Cr Fell

That Council resolves to adopt the updated Terms of Reference for the Climate Change Adaptation and Environment Committee.

MOTION CARRIED

22. 10:45am – 10:47am

CORPORATE – Cultural Arts and Heritage Committee Terms of Reference

Manager of Governance and Compliance spoke to report.

RESOLUTION:

Moved; Cr Levi Second; Cr Trinkoon

That Council resolves to adopt the updated Terms of Reference for the Cultural Arts and Heritage Committee.

MOTION CARRIED

23. 10:47am – 10:50am

CORPORATE – Economic Growth Committee Terms of Reference

Manager of Governance and Compliance spoke to report.

RESOLUTION:

Moved; Cr Noah; Second; Cr Tamu

That Council resolves to adopt the updated Terms of Reference for the Economic Growth Committee.

MOTION CARRIED

24. 10:50am – 10:55am CORPORATE – Governance and Leadership Committee
Terms of Reference

Manager of Governance and Compliance spoke to report. Land Transfer matters to be included as part of portfolio scope.

RESOLUTION:

Moved; Cr Elisala; Second; Cr Tabuai

That Council resolves to adopt the updated Terms of Reference for the Governance and Leadership Committee.

MOTION CARRIED

25. 10:55am – 11:01am CORPORATE – Housing, and Safe and Healthy
Communities Committee Terms of Reference

Manager of Governance and Compliance spoke to report.

RESOLUTION:

Moved; Cr Fell; Second; Cr Gela

That Council resolves to adopt the updated Terms of Reference for the Housing, and Safe and Healthy Communities Committee

MOTION CARRIED

26. 11:02am – 11:05am CORPORATE – Strategic Advisory Reference Group
Committee Terms of Reference

Manager of Governance and Compliance spoke to report.

RESOLUTION:

Moved; Cr Trinkoon; Second; Cr Levi

That Council resolves to;

1 adopt the updated Terms of Reference for the Strategic Advisory Reference Group Committee,

and

2 resolves to not have a permanent alternate member of the Strategic Advisory Reference Group Committee,

and

3 allow the Chair of the five other standing committees to appoint another member of the specific committee to act as a proxy and attend meetings of the Strategic Advisory Reference Group Committee, if the committee chair

MOTION CARRIED

27. 11:05am – 11:27am CORPORATE – Community Grants allocation September
2020

Cr Pearson declared a Material Personal Interest and left room.

Cr Stephen declared a Material Personal Interest and left room.

Mayor Mosby – declared a Material Personal Interest and left room.

Cr Dorante declared a Material Personal Interest and left room.

Cr Tamu – declared a Material Personal Interest and left room.

Cr Getano Lui – to chair meeting as mayor has an MPI.

Due to the number of conflicts declared, there is no longer a quorum present. Council will delegate to the Chief Executive Officer.

All Councillor called back into the room.

RESOLUTION:

Moved; Cr Fell; Second; Cr Noah

Council resolves to delegate approval and allocation of the Community Grant funding application from New Day Torres Strait Islander Corp for the eligible amount of \$10,000 exclusive of GST, as per the submitted application and in accordance with the Community Grants Policy to the Chief Executive Officer.

MOTION CARRIED

28. 11:27am – 12:13pm CORPORATE – Community Grants Policy

Head of Corporate Affairs spoke to report.

RESOLUTION:

Moved; Cr Noah Second; Cr Tamu

Council resolves to;

1 adopt the proposed Community Grant Program amendments.

and,

2 delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the *Local Government Act 2009* to determine applications and distribute funeral grants, being for funeral support and travel assistance, and in emergency circumstances.

MOTION CARRIED

Councillor Fell voted against

3:00pm – 3:30pm - AFTERNOON TEA

29. 12:13pm – 12:44pm Business Arising from Information Reports

- Mayor Mosby asked for clarification around Debtors for August.
- Tagai investigation for invoices
- Summerset Builders – information lost, loss of knowledge
- Badu Art Centre – handed over to Chief Executive Officer
- Erub Trader – will find out to be recovery
- Badu Island Foundation – working together.
- Acting chief executive Top 5 debts.

Cr Noah – information about staff (when an individual leaves the organisation)

- Acting CEO advised that there is no process and will work with people and wellbeing (she will work closely with people and wellbeing)

Cr Nona – supports Cr Noah's request that it will be beneficial for councillors.

- Query about information being lost as Acting CEO mentioned.
- Issues from housing from 10 years ago.
- Approached by a community member that was from 8 years ago
- Information missing- councillors will need to be informed.

Cr Lui – November workshop (Head of People and Wellbeing to take councillors through performance appraisal process)

Cr Noah – Page 51 Garbage collection (using trailers to collect rubbish on Mer)

Cr Pearson – Saibai & Coconut waiting shed for Ilario to find out?

- Ilario advised that the funds are available, but the cost was more than what was quoted.

**30. 12:44pm – 12:55pm Next Meeting Scheduled – Tuesday 20th and Wednesday 21st October 2020 Boigu Island
Proposed Change of Date: Wednesday 21st and Thursday 22nd October 2020**

Moved; Cr Fell Second; Cr Toby

MOTION CARRIED

Moved: Cr Tamu Second; Cr Tabuai

Council resolves to nominate Murray Island as back-up location if Boigu is not available.

Back-up Island – Murray Island (Division 15)

MOTION CARRIED

31. 12:55pm – 1.40pm Strategic Matters

- Cr Fell - Top 5 priorities of councillors.
- Head of Corporate Affairs advised that we are waiting for 2 more councillors.

Cr Elisala

- Mayor and Team Community Visit.
- COVID-19 Job Keeper payments (governments are no eligible for the subsidy)
- Ferry funding for Dauan (received)
- Acting CEO – Chief Engineer is not here and will take the ferry on notice. Chief Engineer to provide response and present to community.

Cr Pearson

- Update on Poruma Seawall project (DB to response)
- List of things to be done on Poruma. Top 5 priorities.

Cr Tabuai

- Timeline of the waiting shed on Saibai to inform community (Ilario will be in contact)
- What are we doing as councillors for over-crowding in houses?
- Positions on Saibai island.
- Storage for tenants to store containers whilst renovations are carried out.

Cr Stephen

- What is the process for raising operational matters?
- Issued raised and have not received responses.
- Why does it have to be via email?

Mayor Mosby advised that the email is in place to protect councillors due to legislative reforms.

Head of Corporate Affairs

- Officers are working to improve the process
- Officers are currently in training for the smartsheets
- When new system is in place Councillors can lodge the issues on the intranet.

Cr Fell

- Action Item: Business Card (old logo on the back)

Cr Nona

- Cannot write an email but can speak verbally about issue (i.e., operational)

Cr Lui

- Upgrades sign in for stuff
- Trust account (1 on 1) what is in those account to utilise.
- Action Item – Paper in the next meeting for Trust account. (time allocated for the November workshop - delivered to council and balances available for each of the community)
- Basketball court for Yam Island.
- Indigenous Land Corporate – Elphinstone Close
- Staff to have a look at the ILC funding.
- Prisoners returning back into community for child abuse.
- Aged workers for succession planning with People and wellbeing.

Head of Corporate Affairs - ILC first time funded a Torres Strait Council

Cr Nona

- Visit from Warren Entsch to Badu.

1:40pm – 2:40pm – LUNCH

Cr Fell left the meeting

2:40pm – 3.47pm

Strategic Matters Continued

Cr Lui (recent engagement with deputation minister)

- State Deputation feedback
- Mayor, Deputy Mayor, acting Chief Executive Officer and Chief Engineer was present at the deputations.
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- Supportive of the name change
- Thank you to Acting CEO and Chief Engineer to be present at the deputation.
- Thank you to Head of Corporate Affairs for putting together the deputation booklet.

Mayor

10 priorities area

- Regional Assembly
- Adequate Housing
- Climate Change and Disasters
- Marine and Community Infrastructure.
- Connected Islands (digital)
- Community Health and Well Being
- Prosperity and Enterprise
- International Boarder Protection
- Local Government Funding
- Waste Management Solution

Cr Trinkoon

- Can councillors attend the deputations?
- Restricted how many people can attend due to COVID.

Cr Lui said it is a good experience to attend the deputation/participate.

Cr Levi

- Eso Mayor, Deputy Mayor and Staff for deputising the key issues in the Torres Straits.
- Closing the GAP - there is still a long way.

Acting Chief Executive Officer

- Councillors, please reply to Manager of Governance and Compliance to complete the letter to the Minister for Local Government

Cr Lui asked for an update about the housing summit that acting Chief Executive Officer attended.

Cr Lui

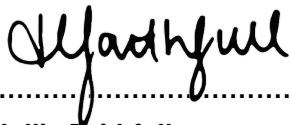
Meriba Omasker Kaziw Kazipa Act 2020 has finally been passed by the Qld Government. It has been a long way underway to get recognition of traditional adoption. The Act will be reviewed after 2 years.

32. 3:47pm – 3:50pm

Closing Remarks and Prayers

- We are in this all together
- Thanks, SARG committee members, Councillors, and Administration

Mayor invited Cr Stephen to close with a word of prayer.



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Hollie Faithfull
Acting Chief Executive Officer
Torres Strait Island Regional Council



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Phillemon Mosby
Mayor
Torres Strait Island Regional Council