



Minutes

TRUSTEE COUNCIL MEETING

23 January 2024

MINUTES: Trustee Council Meeting – January 2024

[Ratified @ February 2024 Trustee Council Meeting]

PRESENT:

Councillors

Mayor

Division 2 – Dauan

Division 3 – Saibai

Division 4 – Mabuiag

Division 5 – Badu

Division 6 – Arkai

Division 8 – Kirirri

Division 9 - Iama

Division 10 – Warraber

Division 12 – Masig

Division 13 - Ugar

Division 14 - Erub

Division 15 – Mer

Cr Phillemon Mosby

Cr Torenzo Elisala

Cr Conwell Tabuai

Cr Keith Fell

Cr Ranetta Wosomo

Cr Lama Trinkoon

Cr Seriako Dorante

Cr Getano Lui (Jnr) AM (**Deputy Mayor**)

Cr Kabay Tamu

Cr Hilda Mosby

Cr Rocky Stephen

Cr Jimmy Gela

not represented

Officers:

Chief Executive Officer

Executive Director Building Services

Executive Director Community Services

Executive Director Corporate Services

Executive Director Engineering Services

Executive Director Financial Services

Executive Assisting the Executive Director Corporate Services

Senior Legal Officer

Executive Support Coordinator

Executive Assistant to the Mayor

Secretariat

Mr James William

Mr Wayne Green

Mr Dawson Sailor

Ms Susanne Andres

Mr David Baldwin

Ms Hollie Faithfull

Mr Gary Stevenson PSM

Ms Julia Mauro

Ms Sharon Russell

Ms Trudy Lui

Darryl Brooks

APOLOGIES:

Division 1 - Boigu

Division 7 – Wug (St Pauls)

Division 11 – Poruma

Cr Dimas Toby – *Sorry Business*

Cr John Levi * *unable to join meeting due to inclement weather impacting on IT technology*

Cr Francis Pearson* *unable to join meeting due to inclement weather impacting on IT technology*

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1. Welcome & Quorum Confirmation

The Mayor formally opened the January 2024 Trustee Council Meeting at 9.20am, noting that a quorum of members were present.

Mayor Mosby welcomed attendees and made the following acknowledgements:

- The Traditional Custodians of the Cairns region whose Country has been hosting this month's meeting of the SARG Committee;
- The Traditional Custodians throughout Zenadth Kes and the communities and constituents that Council serves; and
- Our Heavenly Father for his awesome wisdom, knowledge, understanding, favour and blessings throughout our lives.

The Mayor expressed thankfulness to see Councillors once again and looked forward to working with Councillors in 2024 and especially for the remainder of this term of Council.

On behalf of the entire TSIRC, the Mayor also conveyed a very special 'thank you' to Council's Engineering staff who were on call over the shutdown period in order to maintain operations right across the TSIRC footprint for our communities. Such work is so often taken for granted, but needs to be acknowledged by Council. The Mayor asked the Executive Director Engineering Services to convey these sentiments to his staff.

The Mayor also thanked and acknowledged the Deputy Mayor for his leadership of Council in the lead-up to the end of 2023 during the Mayor's convalescence. The Mayor also thanked Councillors for ongoing commitment to the work of the Council.

2. Opening Prayer

The Deputy Mayor delivered the opening prayer and the Mayor invited participants to observe a minute of silence for remembrance.

3. Apologies

The following apologies were noted:

Division 1 - Boigu
Division 7 – Wug (St Pauls)
Division 11 – Poruma

Cr Dimas Toby
Cr John Levi
Cr Francis Pearson

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Ranetta Wosomo

Second: Cr Keith Fell

Council accepts the apology of Cr Dimas Toby for the January 2024 Trustee Council Meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RESOLUTION

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4. Conflict of Interest (COI) - Declarable/Prescribed

The Mayor invited Councillors to make any relevant conflict of interest declarations and to also advise if they were currently involved in any legal proceedings which pertain to the Trustee Council business to be considered at the meeting. No declarations were made.

5. Confirmation of Council Trustee Meeting Minutes - December 2023

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Ranetta Wosomo

Second: Cr Lama Trinkoon

Trustee Council confirms that the Minutes for the Council Trustee Meeting held on 12-19 December 2023 are a true and accurate record of that meeting.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

6. Action Items from Previous Trustee Council Meetings

The Trustee Council noted the verbal update provided by the Chief Executive Officer on the status of Action Items arising from the previous meeting, as well as outstanding action items from previous meetings.

7. CORPORATE SERVICES: Iama (Yam) Island, Deeds of Grant in Trust

OFFICER RECOMMENDATION:

That the Trustee note the report.

Ms Julia Mauro (Senior Legal Officer) spoke to the report. The Trustee Council noted the report.

8. CORPORATE SERVICES: Delegations Update

Mr Gary Stevenson PSM (Executive Assisting the Executive Director Corporate Services) spoke to this report.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Rocky Stephen

Second: Cr Hilda Mosby

1. Updates to existing delegations:

That, pursuant to section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, the Trustee delegate to the Chief Executive Officer the exercise of powers under the following statutory instruments and these powers must be exercised subject to Ailan Kastom and any limitations contained in Schedule 2 of the attached Instruments of Delegation (consistent with Attachment 2 of Council's briefing report):

Statutory Instrument:	The powers delegated are contained in Schedule 1 of the Instrument of Delegation attached to Council's briefing report as:
Land Act 1994 (Qld) (LANA)	Attachment 1

2. Annual confirmation of existing delegations:

That, pursuant to section 257 of the *Local Government Act 2009*, the Trustee renew its delegation to the Chief Executive Officer to exercise powers under the following statutory instruments and these powers must be exercised subject to the consolidated "Schedule 2 Standard Limitations to the Exercise of Power" contained in Attachment 2 of Council's briefing report:

Statutory Instrument:	The powers delegated are contained in Schedule 1 of the Instrument of Delegation attached to Council's briefing report as:
Land Title Act 1994 (LATA)	Attachment 3
Mineral Resources Act 1989 (MIRA)	Attachment 4

3. Powers not delegated

And that Council resolve not to delegate any of its powers under the following statutory instruments, as this legislation is not appropriate to delegate because land issues should be put to the trustee and council:

- (a) *Neighbourhood Disputes (Dividing Fences and Trees) Act 2011 (NDDF)*

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

- *The Mayor and Deputy Mayor both took the opportunity to thank Mr Gary Stevenson PSM for his outstanding contributions to the work of the Trustee Council during his tenure in the role of Acting Executive Director Corporate Services.*

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- *The Mayor requested that the Trustee Council move into Closed Business to discuss business for which public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the Trustee Council or someone else.*

RESOLUTION TO MOVE INTO CLOSED BUSINESS

Moved: Cr Keith Fell

Second: Cr Francis Tamu

Council resolves to close the meeting to the public pursuant to Section 254J of the *Local Government Regulation 2012* to allow the Council to discuss business for which public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the Trustee Council or someone else.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

RESOLUTION TO MOVE OUT OF CLOSED BUSINESS

Moved: Cr Rocky Stephen

Second: Cr Conwell Tabuai

That Council resolve to re-open the meeting to the public pursuant to Section 254I of the *Local Government Regulation 2012*.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED BUSINESS

The Council noted a verbal update provided by the Chief Executive Officer in relation to DOGIT matters.

9. BUSINESS ARISING

Nil.

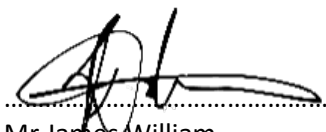
10. Next meeting: 20 February 2024 (TEAMS).

Noted by the Trustee Council.

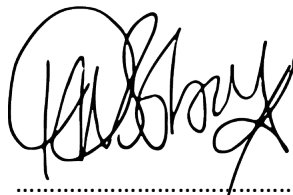
- *Cr Torenzo Elisala advised the Trustee Council that he will not be able to attend this meeting due to prior commitments.*

16. Closing remarks and Prayer

The Mayor closed the Trustee Meeting at 10.25am.



Mr James William
Chief Executive Officer
Torres Strait Island Regional Council
Date: 20 February 2024



Cr Phillemon Mosby
Mayor
Torres Strait Island Regional Council
Date: 20 February 2024