



**Torres Strait Island**  
REGIONAL COUNCIL

**DRAFT**  
**MINUTES**

CLIMATE ADAPTATION AND ENVIRONMENT  
COMMITTEE

Date: Wednesday - 25<sup>th</sup> August 2021  
Time: 10am - 12noon  
Venue: VMR #6 – 0292 970 558

## **Attendees**

Cr Hilda Mosby – Chair  
Cr Kabay Tamu – Committee member  
Cr Seriako Dorante – Committee member  
Adeah Kabai – Acting Chief Engineer  
Naila Nomoa – Acting Secretariat Officer

## **Apologies**

Cr Seriako Dorante

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## 1. Welcome (Chair)

Cr Mosby welcomed everyone to the meeting today and acknowledged the Traditional Landowners of the land we meet today.

## 2. Opening Prayer

Cr Mosby opened with a word of prayer.

## 3. Apologies

- Cr Dorante

## 4. Conflict of Interest (COI)/ Material Personal Interest (MPI) Declaration

Cr Mosby

- Board member for Torres Strait regional Authority
- Climate Change National Group CISRO

Cr Tamu

- United Nation litigation on climate change.

## 5. Confirmation of previous minutes – 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2021

Acting Chief Engineer has advised that Kristan Duthie has resigned and all action against Kristan will be reviewed and sent out.

### **RESOLUTION:**

*Moved;* Cr Tamu *Second;* Cr Mosby

That the minutes of the meeting held on the 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2021 is a true and accurate account.

**ALL IN FAVOUR**

## 6. Action Items List

Acting Chief Engineer spoke to the action items.

## 7. Climate Change Adaptation and Environment Committee – Engineering Services Projects/ Works update

Acting Chief Engineer spoke to report.

Cr Tamu supports Engineering Civil Crew Leading Hand position to be advertised internally as succession planning for Kevin Malone.

**ACTION:** Manager of capital works to have offline discussion with Cr Mosby in relation to consultant arrived at Masig to undertake Marine Plant Survey.

**Recommendation:**

*Moved; Cr Mosby Second; Cr Tamu*

That;

Climate Change Adaptation and Environment Committee notes this report.

**ACTION:** Invite Manager of Environmental Health to provide report.

**ACTION:** Acting Chief Engineer to provide photos of Saibai seawall cemetery works vs Boigu seawall cemetery works as an example. Seeking funding for phase 3.

## 8. Environmental Policy – Verbal Update

Acting Chief Engineer gave a verbal update.

- Draft policy fair bit of work before review and endorsement.
- Committee member to review and have input into the policy.

## **9. General/ Other Business (on notice)**

Cr Tamu

- Merbau Energy feedback and discussion
- Renewables in our region
- Fundings

Cr Mosby

- Community resilience.
- Building resilient communities.
- Talk to individual councillors.
- Work closely with Mr John Rainbird.
- Introduction of smart water metres.
- Save environment we live in.
- High level of scope to support that initiative.
- Fortnightly update of works happening in the Environmental and Climate Adaptation space,

## **10. Next meeting date**

– Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2021

- Work with Acting Chief Engineer for action items to be updated.

## **11. Closing Prayer**

Cr Mosby closed the meeting with a word of prayer.