



Torres Strait Island
REGIONAL COUNCIL

MINUTES

CULTURE, ART, LAND AND HERITAGE COMMITTEE

Date: 4th November 2020

Time: 1:16am to 2:13pm

Venue: VMR #8 – 02 9916 5402

Present

Cr Aven Noah (Chair) – Division 15 – Mer
Cr Torenzo Elisala – Division 2 – Dauan
Kathy Cochran – Secretariat Officer

1. Welcome (Chair)

Cr Noah welcomed everyone to the meeting and thanked them for their attendance.

2. Opening Prayer

Cr Noah opened the meeting in prayer.

3. Apologies

- Cr Nona – Division 5 – Badu

The apology of Cr Nona is accepted. All in favour.

4. Conflict of Interest (COI) Prescribed and Declarable

Cr Noah made the following declaration;

- He is a staff member of Mer Ged Kem Le

Cr Elisala made the following declaration;

- He is a Director and the Secretary of Dauan PBC.

5. Terms of Reference Discussion

Cr Noah and the Committee walks through the Terms of Reference for the Culture, Arts, Land and Heritage Standing Committee.

ACTION: SO to correct the name of the Committee to include Land in the name.

Both the Chair and Cr Elisala is happy with the Terms of Reference however Cr Elisala mentioned to develop each individual community cultural protocols as they differ from island to island.

ACTION: Provide cultural advice and assistance in consultation with PBC and each community in the development of individual island protocols and processes.

ACTION: Add the first names of the Councillors on the committee in the Terms of Reference.

6. Standing Agenda Items Discussion

No standing agenda item. Chair asked Secretariat to explain this Agenda topic for the benefit of the Committee.

7. Meeting Dates for 2021

Committee had a brief discussion regarding the dates and decided to wait until the dates of the 2021 Council Ordinary Meeting were set and known before setting the dates for their quarterly meeting for 2021.

8. General/ Other Business (on notice)

Nil

9. Next meeting date

To be advised.

10. Closing Prayer

Cr Noah thanked everyone and closed the meeting.