



UNCONFIRMED MINUTES OF MEETING

Meeting of the Community Consultative Committee (CCC) of the Shire of Christmas Island held at the George Fam Centre at 4.15pm Monday 6th April 2022

1 Declaration of Opening of Meeting / Announcement of Visitors

1.1 Gordon THOMSON declared the meeting opened at 4.20pm

2 Record of Attendance/Apologies/Leave of Absence/Declarations of Financial, Proximity or Impartiality Interest

2.1 Record of Attendance

Community Consultative Committee

Shire President	Gordon THOMSON
Council Representative	Hafiz MASLI (4.50pm)
CI Neighbourhood Centre	Oliver LINES
Manager of Policy	Chris SU
Shire CEO	David PRICE
Union of Christmas Island Workers	Kelvin LEE
Christmas Island Tourism Assoc.	David WATCHORN
Chinese Literary Association	Mel HAN WANYI (4.25pm)
Christmas Island Phosphates	Joy WICKENDEN

Minute Taker Karin LINES-LWIN

Apologies

3. Confirmation of Previous Minutes, Business Arising and Action Items

3.1 Confirmation of Minutes of 2nd March 2022

CCC Resolution

Moved: Olivier Lines

Seconded: Kelvin Lee

Res. No: CCC 2/22

That the CCC confirm that the minutes of the Wednesday 2nd March 2022 meeting is a true and accurate record.

Carried: 7/0

3.2 Action Items

	Action Item	CCC Meeting	Action Officer	Status
1.	DIRDC Community Engagement Protocol-DIRDC still has not responded to August 15th 2019 request by CCC Secretariat for copy of DIRC's Community Engagement Protocol.	August 2019	Chris Su	Still awaiting from DITCRD correspondence on pause
2.	Awaiting response from NDIS Minister Linda Reynolds on CCC letter of 12 April 2021 on whether or not the NDIS will continue to apply on CI in the future	April 7 th 2021	Shire CEO	Still awaiting from NDIS Minister
3.	Chris Su to follow up with IOTHS if the new W.A PATS increment from \$60-\$100 daily will apply for the IOTs Gordon Thomson informed that IOTHS is a separate Policy to W.A	November 15 2021	Chris Su	Chris Su yet to receive an update

4. Agenda Business

4.1 Christmas Island Residential Aged Care Program Update

- The March CCC meeting had an update from the Aged Care project team, advised that the Residential Aged Care plan had been forwarded to the Department as a Policy Proposal to seek capital funds for construction.
- Chris Su informed CCC that upon his review of the Federal Budget 22/23 he saw that \$15million had been assigned to the IOTs for 'capital works.' He enquired with the Aged Care project team to see if this was for the CI Residential Aged Care Facility. It was not.
- Email of 31/03/2022 from the project team confirms that Policy Proposal did not make it into the 2022-2023 Budget for funding. Project team hopeful this may be in the Mid-Year Review of the Budget.

Mel HAN Wan Yi arrives 4.25pm

4.2 Fisheries Ordinance 2022

The Minister tabled the *Christmas Island Fisheries Management Ordinance 2022* in Parliament on 28th March 2022. Once it has sat for 14 sitting days of Parliament, it will become the law in force on Christmas Island pertaining to Fisheries.

4.3 Marine Park Proclamation

The Minister for the Environment Sussan LEY proclaimed the Christmas Island Marine Park on Sunday 27th March 2022.

The zoning of the Marine Park is as per the CCC members' collective submissions in 2021.

The \$2.2m *IOT Marine Park Grant Program* opened and organisations have until June to make an application under this program to help interpret the marine park area.

See Appendix "IOT Marine Park Grant Program"

Group discusses possible projects for funding

- boat ramp upgrade
- threats of Marine debris and waste disposal, burning affects wildlife at Greta and Winifred
- possibilities for use of Marine Park Grant for whole closure of applications for Grant 2nd June 2022

Hafiz MASLI arrives 4.50pm

4.4 WA Museums Proposed CI Oral History Project

WA Museums advised cannot submit the proposed Work Plan this meeting, as WA Museums officer Polly Smith had planned. The Work Plan may be ready by the May CCC meeting.

Chris SU put forward for consideration the escalation of the proposed Oral History project escalated from a community project to a museum-level project. CCC discussed merits of having experienced oral historian interview persons on Island, in Perth and elsewhere as needed.

CCC Resolution

Moved: Olivier Lines **Seconded:** Kelvin Lee **Res. No** **CCC 3/22**

That the CCC supports the use for a professional oral historian for a Christmas Island Oral History project, and that interested locals are assigned to observe and work with the professional oral historian who will lead the interviews.

Carried: 9/0

4.5 Christmas Island Housing Stress

The Shire of Christmas Island held the CI Housing Stress Workshop and Survey Launch Wednesday 30th March 2022 at the Community Hall. Survey can be found on line at www.shire.gov.cx

Around 40 attendees came. Factors causing the housing crisis and several suggestions to get out of it were presented by attendees.

See Appendix "Meeting Notes of Housing Stress Workshop and Survey Launch 30.03.22"

Group discusses:

- High cost of housing for those who wish to employ staff from the mainland, and its negative impact on the economy
- Group raises concerns about those that have secured public housing and are renting them out for profit
- Group discussed the W.A Homes West affordable rent-to-buy housing strategy, WA State housing, social services, Not for Profit organisations
- Gordon Thomson explains benefit of a Housing Co-Operative, responsibility of members.

4.2 Action Item

- That CCC members return to their organisations to consider what IOT Marine Park programs they might write a grant application for
- To help disseminate the Housing Stress Survey link which closes April 17th

5. General Business: Nil

6. Meeting Closed: 5.48 pm

7. Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday 4th May 2022