



CONFIRMED MINUTES

Special Meeting held on 29 May 2018



SHIRE OF CHRISTMAS ISLAND MEETING MINUTES CERTIFICATION

Minutes of the Ordinary meeting of the Shire of Christmas Island Council held at the George Fam Chambers at 7.00pm on Tuesday 29 May 2018

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**Special Meeting of the Shire of Christmas Island to be held at the George Fam Centre
Chambers on Tuesday 29 May 2018 commencing at 7pm**

1 Declaration of Opening of Meeting

The President declared the meeting open at 7.10pm.

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

2.1 Record of Attendance

Shire President

Deputy President

Councillors

Cr Gordon **THOMSON**

Cr Kee Heng **FOO**

Cr Rosnah **PAL**

Cr Azmi **YON**

Cr Nora **KOH**

Cr Kelvin **LEE**

Cr Philip **WOO**

Cr Vincent **SAW**

Cr Hafiz **MASLI**

Chief Executive Officer

Manager Recreation Services and Training Officer

Minute Taker

David **PRICE**

Olivier **LINES**

Chris **SU**

2.2 Leave of Absence

2.3 Apologies

2.4 Declarations of Financial, Proximity or Impartiality Interest

3 Announcements by Presiding Member without Discussion

4 Public Question Time

5 Business of the Meeting

5.1 Plebiscite and Crown Land Management Plan

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr FOO

Seconded: Cr YON

Res. No: 38/18

Council welcomes Minister McVeigh's announcement of the proposed release of Crown Land Lots for Sale and for Lease for the purpose of economic development on Christmas Island. In light of the announcement of the Minister for Territories about the release of Crown Land for Development on Christmas Island, the decision of Council, 22 May 2018, to hold a plebiscite of the people of Christmas Island on the question: "For the purpose of the social and economic benefit of the people of Christmas Island, do you support development of Crown Land outside the National Park? – Yes or No", is rescinded.

We note that Minister's announcement includes maps of the areas to be released, and that the proposals for areas for lease and sale are consistent with the Shire's Town Planning Scheme and Land Planning Strategy which provide zoning for development on Christmas Island.

Council agrees to relinquish the Management Order over the Christmas Island Golf Course provided that land remains available for public use as a Golf Course.

Council does not agree to relinquish the Management Order over the Cocos Padang.

Carried: 9/0

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr PAL

Seconded: Cr KOH

Res. No: 39/18

Council representatives attending the meeting with Minister McVeigh in Canberra on 21 June 2018 are requested to include on the agenda for the meeting the following matters:

1 Commonwealth of Australia Plan for Christmas Island

Advocacy for a Cabinet endorsed plan for Christmas Island's future that will be determined by consultation between the Minister, his department and the Shire of Christmas Island acting on behalf of the people of Christmas Island. The purpose of seeking a Cabinet Plan for the Future of Christmas Island is to achieve compliance of all departments of government with such a plan. The Plan shall take account of the Commonwealth's responsibility to the people of Christmas Island in accordance with CHAPTER XI Article 73 of the Charter of the United Nations:

CHAPTER XI: DECLARATION REGARDING NON-SELF-GOVERNING TERRITORIES

Article 73

Members of the United Nations which have or assume responsibilities for the administration of territories whose peoples have not yet attained a full measure of self-government recognize the principle that the interests of the inhabitants of these territories are paramount, and accept as a sacred trust the obligation to promote to the utmost, within the system of international peace and security established by the present Charter, the well-being of the inhabitants of these territories, and, to this end:

1. to ensure, with due respect for the culture of the peoples concerned, their political, economic, social, and educational advancement, their just treatment, and their protection against abuses;
2. to develop self-government, to take due account of the political aspirations of the peoples, and to assist them in the progressive development of their free political institutions, according to the particular circumstances of each territory and its peoples and their varying stages of advancement;
3. to further international peace and security;
4. to promote constructive measures of development, to encourage research, and to co-operate with one another and, when and where appropriate, with specialized international bodies with a view to the practical achievement of the social, economic, and scientific purposes set forth in this Article; and
5. to transmit regularly to the Secretary-General for information purposes, subject to such limitation as security and constitutional considerations may require, statistical and other information of a technical nature relating to economic, social, and educational conditions in the territories for which they are respectively responsible other than those territories to which Chapters XII and XIII apply.

2 Settlement Sports Hall Redevelopment

3 Casino License for Christmas Island Resort

4 Mining Leases and Land Clearing Permits

5 IOTHS 5 Year Strategic Plan

6 Aged Care Services

7 Social Infrastructure

8 Rockfall Fence in Flying Fish Cove

9 Rent to buy arrangements for public housing

Carried: 9/0

6 Closure of Meeting

The meeting closed at 8:30pm.

7 Date of Next Meeting

12 June 2018