



UNCONFIRMED MINUTES

Ordinary Meeting held on 18 November 2025



**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 18 November 2025**

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Ordinary Meeting of the Shire of Christmas Island held at the George Fam Chambers at 7.00pm on Tuesday 18 November 2025

1 DECLARATION OF OPENING/ANNOUNCEMENT OF VISITORS

- 1.1 The Shire President declared the meeting open at 7.00pm.

2 RECORD OF ATTENDANCE/APOLOGIES/LEAVE OF ABSENCE/DECLARATIONS OF FINANCIAL INTEREST

- 1.2 Record of Attendance
Shire President
Deputy President
Councillors

Cr Steven **PEREIRA**
Cr Swee **TUNG**
Cr Tracey **KREPP**
Cr Gordon **THOMSON**
Cr Stephanie **LAI**
Cr Kelvin Kok Bin **LEE**

Chief Executive Officer

David **PRICE**

Director Community/Recreation Services

Olivier **LINES**

2.2 Leave of Absence

- 2.3 **Apologies**
Councillor

Cr Azim **YON**

2.4 Declarations of Financial/Impartiality/Proximity Interest

3 RESPONSE TO PREVIOUS PUBLIC QUESTIONS TAKEN ON NOTICE

4 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

- 4.1 Cr LAI Raised the question of a vehicle parking on Jalan Ketam Merah that maybe encroaching on the public park area. The CEO indicated that he would investigate and act if necessary.

Cr LAI Raised the damage to the skate park at the Foreshore Padang. The CEO indicated it was the result of inappropriate material being used in the instillation of the skate park and the contractor has sent the replacement materials which arrive on the last ship and the CEO would advise the contractor that he now can book his tickets to carry out the necessary repairs.

Cr KREPP Raised the condition of the entry to the jetty and requested if a rubbish bin could be placed on the rail of the Jetty to assist in the collection of rubbish in that area. The CEO indicated that he would take the matter up with the Administration who has ownership of the Jetty.

Cr TUNG

Raised several issues regarding the Community Hall, The toilet area, fans, kitchen, possible air conditioning and condition of section of the concrete structure.

The Director for Community Services indicated that quotations for the toilets and fans were being sought, and the materials for the reconstruction of the kitchen are due arrived subjecting to shipping schedule.

In relation to the issues of air conditioning the concrete structure and the general suitability of the Community Hall for public and private functions the CEO indicated that a plan for the Community Hall and costings would be developed and presented to a future meeting of Council for consideration.

Cr TUNG Raised the recent removal of Stop Signs. The CEO indicated this was a result of an audit from Main Road WA that required the removal of some Stop Signs in conformity of WA Road Signs

Cr TUNG Raised the question of the culling of Rats and Chickens. The CEO indicated there were issues in freighting the necessary ammunition to Christmas Island and was exploring non shooting controlment options.

5 APPLICATIONS FOR LEAVE OF ABSENCE

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr THOMSON

Seconded: Cr LEE

Res. No: 98/25

That Cr Gordon Thomson application for Leave of Absence from the 5th December to the 15th December be approved.

Carried: 6/0

For: Cr PEREIRA, Cr THOMSON, Cr LEE, Cr KREPP, Cr TUNG, Cr LAI

6 PETITIONS/DEPUTATIONS/PRESENTATIONS

7 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS/BUSINESS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

7.1 Minutes of Ordinary Council Meeting held on 21 October 2025

Members considered the unconfirmed minutes.

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr TUNG

Seconded: Cr KREPP

Res. No: 99/25

That Council adopt the unconfirmed minutes of the 21 October 2025 Council Meeting.

Carried: 6/0

For: Cr PEREIRA, Cr THOMSON, Cr LEE, Cr KREPP, Cr TUNG, Cr LAI

7.2 Business Arising from the Minutes of Previous Meetings

8 ANNOUNCEMENTS BY PRESIDING MEMBER WITHOUT DISCUSSION

President Cr PEREIRA indicated that he had received correspondence for the Administrator requesting that the Shire nominates a representative on the Economic Futures Working Group for consideration under Agenda Item 12 New Business of an Urgent Nature Introduced by Decision of the Meeting

9 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES

10 REPORTS OF OFFICERS

10.1 Chief Executive Officer

10.1.1 Dates for Ordinary Council Meetings 2026

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr THOMSON

Seconded: Cr LAI

Res. No: 100/25

That Council adopts the following schedule of Ordinary Meetings for 2026 in accordance with section 5.25 (1) (g) of the Local Government Act (CI) 1995 and the Local Government Administration Regulations 1996 commencing at 7.00pm at the George Fam Centre Council Chambers on the fourth Tuesday of each month with the exceptions of:

- 3 February 2026 Ordinary Meeting due to the long period of no meetings between 9 December 2025 and 3 February 2026.
- 17 March 2026
- * The June and September dates may need changing once the 2026 ALGA National Assembly and 2026 WALGA Conference dates are known.
- The December 2026 Ordinary Meeting is scheduled for the 8th December 2026 being the 2nd Tuesday due to the Christmas close down period in December 2026.

3 February 2026

17 March 2026

28 April 2026

26 May 2026

*23 June 2026

28 July 2026

25 August 2026

*22 September 2026

27 October 2026

17 November 2026

8 December 2026

Carried: 6/0

For: Cr PEREIRA, Cr THOMSON, Cr LEE, Cr KREPP, Cr TUNG, Cr LAI

10.1.2 Draft Local Planning Strategy – Part 1

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr THOMSON

Seconded: Cr LEE

Res. No: 101/25

Council endorses the November 2025 Draft Local Planning Strategy - Part 1 and its release to the Department of Infrastructure, Transport, Regional Development, Communication, Sports and the Arts (DITRDSA) for consultation and comments with respect to proposed changes in land uses affecting Crown Land under the DITRDSA's responsibility.

Carried: 6/0

For: Cr PEREIRA, Cr THOMSON, Cr LEE, Cr KREPP, Cr TUNG, Cr LAI

10.2 Director Finance & Administration

10.2.1 Schedule of Accounts – October 2025

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr THOMSON

Seconded: Cr TUNG

Res. No: 102/25

That Council receive the expenditure totalling \$1,385,568.05 as presented in October 2025 Schedule of Accounts.

Carried: 6/0

For: Cr PEREIRA, Cr THOMSON, Cr LEE, Cr KREPP, Cr TUNG, Cr LAI

10.2.2 Financial Statements – October 2025

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr LEE

Seconded: Cr KREPP

Res. No: 103/25

That Council receives the Financial Statements of October 2025.

Carried: 6/0

For: Cr PEREIRA, Cr THOMSON, Cr LEE, Cr KREPP, Cr TUNG, Cr LAI

10.2.3 Taman Sweetland Reserve (POS) Trust

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr KREPP

Seconded: Cr LEE

Res. No: 104/25

That Council approve the write off of the above Trust and transfer the balance of \$61,805 plus any interest that may accrue from 30 June 2025 to Municipal Funds.

Carried: 6/0 Absolute Majority

For: Cr PEREIRA, Cr THOMSON, Cr LEE, Cr KREPP, Cr TUNG, Cr LAI

10.3 Director Community/Recreation Services & Training

10.4 Director Works, Services & Waste

10.5 Director Planning, Governance & Policy

10.5.1 Committee Memberships

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr LAI

Seconded: Cr THOMSON

Res. No: 105/25

That Council receives and confirms the nominations from invited community groups and other stakeholders for the 2025-2027 Community Consultative Committee, Fisheries Management Committee in attachment one.

That Council notes the CI Seniors Association has yet to complete nomination of their representatives for the CI Seniors Citizen Centre Advisory Committee.

Carried: 6/0

For: Cr PEREIRA, Cr THOMSON, Cr LEE, Cr KREPP, Cr TUNG, Cr LAI

10.5.2 Committee Chairperson Nominations

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr LEE

Seconded: Cr KREPP

Res. No: 106/25

That Council appoints the following people as chair for the following committees:

Cr PEREIRA as the Chairperson for the Community Consultative Committee

Cr YON as the Chairperson for the Fisheries Management Committee

Cr PEREIRA as the Chairperson for the Audit, Risk and Improvement Committee

Carried: 6/0 Absolute Majority

For: Cr PEREIRA, Cr THOMSON, Cr LEE, Cr KREPP, Cr TUNG, Cr LAI

11 ELECTED MEMBERS MOTIONS OF WHICH PREVIOUS NOTICE HAS BEEN GIVEN

11.1 Notice of Motion Cr LAI

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr

Seconded: Cr

Res. No: /25

That Council:

1. Request the CEO to prepare a draft Electronic Attendance at Meetings Policy for Council's consideration, which: a. Aligns with the provisions of Regulations 14A 14C and 14CA of the Local Government (Administration) Regulations 1996; b. Outlines the circumstances under which Elected Members may attend Council and Committee Meetings by electronic means when physical attendance is not practicable; c. Defines the process for requesting and approving electronic attendance, including the role of the Presiding Member and requirements for suitable location and equipment; d. Addresses participation, voting, confidentiality, and record-keeping arrangements for meetings attended electronically; e. Ensures compliance with the 50% attendance cap for remote participation in any 12-month period, as required under Regulation 14CA(2); and f. Reflects best-practice guidance provided by the Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA) and the Department of Local Government, Sport and Cultural Industries (DLGSC).
2. Request the CEO to provide the draft policy, together with any recommended amendments to the Meeting Procedures Local Law (if required), to a future Council meeting for endorsement.

Motion Lapsed for want of a mover

12 NEW BUSINESS OF AN URGENT NATURE INTRODUCED BY DECISION OF THE MEETING

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr THOMSON

Seconded: Cr LEE

Res. No: 107/25

That the question of a representative on the Economic Futures Working Group for the Shire be introduced as a New Business of an Urgent Matter.

Carried: 6/0

For: Cr PEREIRA, Cr THOMSON, Cr LEE, Cr KREPP, Cr TUNG, Cr LAI

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr THOMSON

Seconded: Cr LAI

Res. No: 108.25

That Cr PEREIRA be nominated as the Shire's representative on the Economic Futures Working Group

Carried: 6/0

For: Cr PEREIRA, Cr THOMSON, Cr LEE, Cr KREPP, Cr TUNG, Cr LAI

13 BEHIND CLOSED DOORS

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr THOMSON

Seconded: Cr LEE

Res. No: 109/25

The meeting be closed to members of the public in accordance with section 5.23(2) of the Local Government Act 1995 for council to discuss matter of a confidential nature AT 7.45PM.

Carried: 6/0

For: Cr PEREIRA, Cr THOMSON, Cr LEE, Cr KREPP, Cr TUNG, Cr LAI

13.1 2025 CEO Performance Review

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr THOMSON

Seconded: Cr TUNG

Res. No: 110/25

Council receives and endorses the 2024-25 Performance appraisal assessment report 13.1.1

Carried: 6/0

For: Cr PEREIRA, Cr THOMSON, Cr LEE, Cr KREPP, Cr TUNG, Cr LAI

Council Resolution

Moved: Cr THOMSON

Seconded: Cr

Res. No: 111/25

The meeting be reopened to members of the public AT 7.52PM.

Carried: 6/0

For: Cr PEREIRA, Cr THOMSON, Cr LEE, Cr KREPP, Cr TUNG, Cr LAI

14 CLOSURE OF MEETING

The Shire President closed the meeting at 7.53PM pm

15 DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 9 December 2025