



Torres Strait Island
REGIONAL COUNCIL

NOVEMBER 2019

MINUTES

ORDINARY MEETING

Monday 18 November 2019: 9:05am to 5:06pm
Tuesday 19 November 2019: 9:10am – 12:00noon

AFL House, 53-75 Buchan Street, Portsmith, CAIRNS

Monday 18 November 2019

Present

Cr Fred Gela, Mayor (arrived at meeting late)
Cr Dimas Toby, Division 1 – Boigu
Cr Torenzo Elisala, Division 2 – Dauan
Cr Keri Akiba, Division 3 – Saibai
Cr Keith Fell, Division 4 – Mabuiag
Cr Laurie Nona, Division 5 – Badu
Cr David Bosun, Division 6 – Kubin Community, Mua Island
Cr John Levi, Division 7 – St Pauls Community, Mua Island
Cr Getano Lui Jnr, Division 9 – Iama
Cr Clara Tamu, Division 10 – Warraber (via telephone)
Cr Francis Pearson, Division 11 – Poruma
Cr Ted Nai, Division 12 – Masig
Cr Rocky Stephen, Division 13 – Ugar
Cr Patrick Thaiday, Division 14 – Erub
Cr Bob Kaigey, Division 15 – Mer
Mr Bruce Ranga, Chief Executive Officer (CEO)
Mrs Jan Pool, Chief Operating Officer (COO)
Ms Hollie Faithfull, Acting Chief Financial Officer (ACFO)
Mr Peter Krebs, Manager Legal Services (MLS)
Mr Luke Ranga, Head of Corporate Affairs and Engagement (HCAE)
Mr George Holland, Head of Engineering (HOE)
Mr David Abednego, Senior Operations Project Officer (SOPO)
Ms Ursula Nai, Senior Executive Assistant (SEA)
Mrs Kathy Cochran – Secretariat Officer (SO)
Ms Naila Nomoa – Travel Officer (TO)

Apologies

1. **9:05am – 9:09am** **Opening and Welcome by Deputy Mayor Fell**

Deputy Mayor welcomed everyone and thanked them for their attendance and invited Cr Thaiday to open the meeting in prayer.

Deputy Mayor acknowledged and paid respect to

- The traditional owners and elders past and present for the land on which we meet.
- Councillors and Leaders around the table today
- CEO and staff.

Deputy Mayor informed Council, Mayor Gela is currently travelling to Cairns and will attend the meeting later in the day and relayed the Mayor's apologies for this morning.

2. **9:09am – 9:10am** **Apologies**

Nil

3. **9:10am – 9:11am** **Declaration of Conflict of Interest (COI) or Material Personal Interest (MPI)**

Deputy Mayor encouraged Councillors to make their disclosure at any time during the meeting.

4. **9:11am – 9:14am** **Confirmation of October 2019 Ordinary Meeting Minutes**

Page 4 – Item 8 – 3rd paragraph the word “automotive” should read “automated”.

RESOLUTION

Moved: Cr Levi: *Second:* Cr Elisala

That the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held in October 2019 be adopted as a true and accurate record of that meeting taking into account the above amendment.

MOTION CARRIED

5. **9:14am – 9:42am** **Outstanding Strategic Ordinary Meeting Action Items**

1. LHA transfer – Hankin to Guise – paper to be tabled at this meeting. Close
2. TAP update – to be provided as an information report each month.
3. Cr Sabatino's resignation – dinner with other Councillors and wives. Close
4. Cr Lui asked for Travel Policy to be workshopped and amended. Close
5. Travel for November workshop. Close
6. Hire Cars – David Lennie to meet with AVIS re: better Wizard deal (also look at Local Buy) Ongoing
7. COO to follow up on IBIS fuel prices at Mabuiag and air conditioning in the Community Hall, still tripping out. Ongoing
8. HCAE to circulate an email to Councillor with the Terms of Reference for NQ Sporting Foundation Board, nominations for TSIRC Rep. Close

Cr Nona requested an update on the asbestos issues on Badu. COO provides Cr Nona with a verbal update.

Cr Pearson requested an update on the airport waiting shed at Poruma, COO provide an update.

ACTION: COO to email asbestos report of all Divisions to Councillors

Cr Thaiday asked if we use our employees to do the asbestos work. COO responded yes except for works which require an A grade qualified person. The expense and risk is in the bagging and removal.

6. **9:42am – 9:52am** **BUSINESS SERVICES – Internal Audit Function**

ACFO spoke to the report. The purpose of this report is to seek Council's endorsement of the nominated Local Buy approved supplier to conduct the Internal Audit function for Council for a period of 6 months due to a current vacancy.

Council officers have considered all local accounting firms that offer internal audit services and consulted with External Audit on recommendations of local firms.

Based on recommendations and experience within the local government sector, councillor officers held a meeting with Pacifica's Partner Carolyn Eagle and Internal Audit Manager Tracey Townsend to discuss the services they could provide Council.

This proposal was discussed with Council's Audit Committee members and the below resolutions were passed on Tuesday 12th November at the Audit Committee meeting.

Following the resignation of the Manager Internal Audit the Audit Committee looked at options to provide a suitable Internal audit capability using local firm of auditors for an initial 6 month period to develop an appropriate audit plan which takes into account the main risks of Torres Strait Island Regional Council and historic record of audit and management concerns. After this period a formal long term solution will be sought.

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Nai; Second: Cr Levi

That Council resolves to authorise the Chief Executive Officer to engage Pacifica Chartered Accountants to undertake the Internal Audit function for a period of 6 months under Local Buy arrangements.

MOTION CARRIED

7. **9:52am – 10:00am** **CORPORATE – Regional Grants Round 2**

HCAE spoke to this report. The purpose of the report is to present to Council for decision, the Regional Grants Applications for Round Two 19/20.

Eligibility assessments were completed by TSIRC grants staff for each application, in accordance with the Policy. Acknowledgement of each application being received and assessed as compliant was issued to each applicant, by staff. The supporting documentation and applications have been stored as per Privacy Legislation and Local Government Records Management procedures.

The four applications, all eligible, are:

1. Kayin Urab Touch Team Kuki Carnival Badu Island
2. Iama Orchids Touch Team Kuki Carnival Badu Island
3. Team Straits Basketball Team Straits 14 & Under girls attending Australian Indigenous Basketball National Tournament Cairns
4. Iama Kurrs Touch Football Kuki Carnival Badu Island

APPLICANT 1 – Kayin Urab Touch Team

- Cr Francis Pearson declared a conflict of interest (COI)
 - COI details: Cr Pearson has a grand daughter and other family member's children in the team.
 - How the Councillor proposed to deal with the COI: Cr Pearson remained in the room and did not vote.

Cr Stephen asked to see the applications as they are usually attached to the report so Councillors can see the players in the team to make their declarations. HCAE had concerns regarding confidentiality and Belcarra requirements.

Cr Nona raised the issue of public perception if a complaint is made regarding a decision and a Councillor did not declare due to not having all the information in the application.

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Nona; *Second:* Cr Elisala

That Council resolves to provide Regional Grant support to the following applicants in accordance with the Community Grants policy:

- 1. Kayin Urab Touch Team for the eligible amount of \$2,500 exclusive of GST**

MOTION CARRIED

APPLICANT 2 – Iama Orchids Touch Team

- Cr Getano Lui declared a conflict of interest (COI)
 - COI details: Cr Lui has family members in the team
 - How the Councillor proposed to deal with the COI: Cr Lui remained in the room and did not vote.

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Levi; *Second:* Cr Kaigey

That Council resolves to provide Regional Grant support to the following applicants in accordance with the Community Grants policy:

- 2. Iama Orchids Touch Team for the eligible amount of \$2,500 exclusive of GST**

MOTION CARRIED

APPLICANT 3 – Team Straits

- Cr Francis Pearson declared a conflict of interest (COI)
 - COI details: Cr Pearson has a grand daughter and other family member's children in the team.
 - How the Councillor proposed to deal with the COI: Cr Pearson remained in the room and did not vote.
- Cr Patrick Thaiday declared a conflict of interest (COI)
 - COI details: Cr Thaiday has his daughter in the team.
 - How the Councillor proposed to deal with the COI: Cr Thaiday remained in the room and did not vote.
- Cr Bob Kaigey declared a conflict of interest (COI)
 - COI details: Cr Kaigey's partner, Ella Kris is the team manager.
 - How the Councillor proposed to deal with the COI: Cr Kaigey remained in the room and did not vote.

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Elisala; *Second:* Cr Tamu

That Council resolves to provide Regional Grant support to the following applicants in accordance with the Community Grants policy:

3. Team Straits for the eligible amount of \$2,500 exclusive of GST

MOTION CARRIED

APPLICANT 4 – Iama Kurrs Touch Football

- Cr Getano Lui declared a conflict of interest (COI)
 - COI details: Cr Lui has family members in the team
 - How the Councillor proposed to deal with the COI: Cr Lui remained in the room and did not vote.
- Cr Clara Tamu declared a conflict of interest (COI)
 - COI details: Cr Tamu as family members in the team
 - How the Councillor proposed to deal with the COI: Cr Tamu remained in the room and did not vote.

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Nona; *Second:* Cr Pearson

That Council resolves to provide Regional Grant support to the following applicants in accordance with the Community Grants policy:

2. Iama Orchids Touch Team for the eligible amount of \$2,500 exclusive of GST

MOTION CARRIED

10:00 – 10:36am – Morning Tea Break

8. 10:36am – 10:37am CORPORATE – Corporate Plan 2020-2025 Amendments

HCAE spoke to this report. The Corporate Plan outlines the strategic direction and framework for Council over a period of five financial years and provides an overarching alignment tool for both the annual Operational Plan and Annual Budget processes. Council may, by resolution, amend this Corporate Plan at any time.

Pursuant to Section 165 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, a local government must adopt its 5-year corporate plan in sufficient time to allow a budget and annual operational plan, consistent with the corporate plan, to be adopted for the first financial year that is covered by the plan. The purpose of this report is to endorse for resolution the proposed amendments to the Corporate Plan 2020-2025.

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Nona; *Second:* Cr Pearson

That Council adopts the prescribed amendments to the Corporate Plan 2020-2025 in accordance with Section 165 of the Local Government Regulation 2012.

MOTION CARRIED

9. **10:37am – 10:46am** **CORPORATE – Operation Plan 2019/20 – Amendments**

HOAE spoke to this report. The Annual Operational Plan will outline Councils performance and progress against the objectives set forth in the Corporate Plan and will be reported on quarterly by the relevant Department of Council. Council may, by resolution, a local government may, by resolution, amend its annual operational plan at any time before the end of the financial year. Both the elected members and the Corporate Officers of Council must discharge their

Pursuant to Section 174 of the Local Government Regulation 2012, a local government must adopt an Annual Operational Plan for each financial year. The purpose of this paper is to endorse for resolution the proposed amendments to the Annual Operational Plan (2019-20).

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Nai; *Second:* Cr Nona

That Council adopts the amendments to Annual Operational Plan (19/20) in accordance with Section 174 of the Local Government Regulation 2012.

MOTION CARRIED

10. **10:46am – 11:15am** **CORPORATE – Communication Guidelines**

HOCAE spoke to this report. Updates and amendments have been applied to Council's existing Communications Guideline, aligned to the reforms passed as part of Belcarra Stage 2, to include the following:

1. Councillor Access to Information:
 - a. The Chief Executive Officer (CEO) must ensure councillors obtain requested information within 10 business days of the request or advise that is not practicable and then provide within 20 business days.
2. Mayoral Powers Changes:
 - a. Senior executive employees can only be directed by the Chief Executive Officer (CEO), not elected officials.
 - b. The Mayor can only direct the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) in accordance with council policies and decisions.

Council wanted the term "directive" clarified. Seeking further legal advice.

Cr Nona asked who is responsible to provide this information to our community.

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ACTION: HOCAE to seek further legal advice on the term directive being clarified.

11. **11:15am – 11:17pm** **ENGINEERING – Divisional and Engineering Christmas 2019 Shutdown**

HOE spoke to this report. The purpose of the report is for Council information only.

12. **11:17am – 11:21am** **LEGAL SERVICES – Saibai STP Development Application**

MLS spoke to this report. Council is undertaking work on the Saibai Sewer Treatment plant that requires the existing lot 124 SP267944 to be enlarged. Consequently an application for a 'Reconfiguration of a Lot' for the Saibai Sewer Treatment Plant has been submitted requires a planning approval.

The development will rearrange 2 lots to create a larger Lot 124 as shown on Attachment 1 - Approved plan Saibai STP ROL. Lot 3 is the balance DOGIT lot for Saibai.

There are no planning issues and the application is recommended for approval.

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Akiba; *Second:* Cr Elisala

That Council issue a Development Permit for 'Reconfiguration of a Lot' with the inclusion of the conditions set out in Part 6 of the Agenda Report for Saibai Sewer Treatment Plant, Saibai QLD 4875.

MOTION CARRIED

13. 11:21m – 11:39am HOUSING – Policy – Operating a Business from a house

COO spoke to this report. The purpose of the report is for Council to adopt this new Policy.

Rates and charges for mixed use (residential and commercial) are currently being finalised.

A policy and subsequent procedure, fact sheet and application information are required now as a guide for staff and residents.

SOPo asked if Food Safety was included. Advise – yes

Cr Nona requested, with the rates and charges, private home owners also be considered.

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Nai; *Second:* Nona

That Council adopts the following policy as presented for a period of Twelve (12) months then review.

Conducting a Business from Home Policy SPO26

MOTION CARRIED

14. 11:39am – 11:40am COUNCIL MOVE INTO TRUSTEE

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Elisala; *Second:* Cr Nona

That in accordance with Section 83 of the Local Government Act 2009 (QLD) management of Community Deeds of Grant in Trust, the meeting of the Trustee of Community DOGIT be convened and conducted as separate meetings from the Indigenous Regional Council.

MOTION CARRIED

15. 1:51am – 12:00noon TRUSTEE – LEGAL – Saibai Church Lease

- Cr Keri Akiba declared a conflict of interest (COI)
 - COI details: Cr Akiba is an office bearer for the PBC
 - How the Councillor proposed to deal with the COI: Cr Akiba left the room and did not vote.
- Cr Getano Lui declared a conflict of interest (COI)
 - COI details: Cr Lui is a Priest in the same church/ denomination.
 - How the Councillor proposed to deal with the COI: Cr Lui left the room and did not vote.

Cr Tamu clarified the two denomination involved

Cr Nona wanted to know who conducted the consultation.

- Cr Laurie Nona declared a conflict of interest (COI)

- COI details: Cr Nona's brother Bishop Tolowa Nona is a Bishop in the Church of Torres Strait.
- How the Councillor proposed to deal with the COI: Cr Nona left the room and did not vote.

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ACTION: MLS to hold another consultation meeting in the community and record an attendance list.

LUNCH 12:08pm – 1:15pm

16. 1:17pm – 1:32pm TRUSTEE – LEGAL – LHA Transfer – Hankin to Guise

- Cr Keith Fell declared a conflict of interest (COI)
 - COI details: Cr Fell's father in law is Epesia Hankin
 - How the Council proposed to deal with the COI: Cr Fell remained in the room and did not vote.

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Elisala; Second: Nai

That Council resolves to allow Cr Fell to remain in the room during the discussion.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Bosun; Second: Levi

That Council resolves for Cr Fell to refrain from voting on this matter.

MOTION CARRIED

Cr Fell delegates the Chair of the meeting to the CEO.

- Cr Laurie Nona declared a conflict of interest (COI)
 - COI details: Cr Nona's niece is Louisa Guise
 - How the Council proposed to deal with the COI: Cr Nona remained in the room and did not vote.

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Nai; Second: Cr Elisala

That Council resolves to allow Cr Nona to remain in the room during the discussions.

MOTION CARRIED

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Nai; Second: Elisala

That Council resolves for Cr Fell to refrain from voting on this matter.

MOTION CARRIED

MLS spoke to this report. This report provides information to Council on the application for the transfer of a Katter lease from Epesia Hankin to Louisa Ruth Guise.

As trustee for Mabuiag Island Deed of Grant in Trust, it is TSIRC's role to provide consent to an LHA lease transfer. This report is for the Trustee to consider providing consent to the lease transfer.

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Nai; *Second:* Cr Pearson

Against: Cr Thaiday

That pursuant to the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Land Holding Act 2013 (Qld), the Council as Trustee consent to the transfer of the Land Holding Act (Katter) lease 717416583 from Harold Pearson and Phyllis Pearson to Tony Harold Pearson for 32 Aikuru Street (Lot 23 on SP270859) on Warraber.

MOTION CARRIED

17. 1:32pm – 1:32pm COUNCIL MOVE OUT OF TRUSTEE

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Elisala; *Second:* Cr Nai

That Council move out of Trustee business and reconvene as an Indigenous Regional Council.

MOTION CARRIED

18. 1:32pm – 4:49pm COUNCIL MOVE INTO CLOSED BUSINESS

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Nai; *Second:* Cr Thaiday

That in accordance with section 275 of the Local Government Regulation 2012 (Qld) it is resolved for the meeting to go into closed session to discuss matters of the following nature:

- a) Other business for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the local government or someone else, or enable a person to gain a financial advantage.

Further the public in attendance were asked to leave.

MOTION CARRIED

19. **ENGINEERING – Hammond Water Main Replacement**

20. **LEGAL – Moa Quarry**

3:00pm – 3:20pm – Afternoon Tea

21. **BUSINESS SERVICES – Contract Supply Negotiation**

22. **ENGINEERING – Hammond Water Main Replacement**

23. 4:49pm – 4:49pm COUNCIL MOVE OUT OF CLOSED BUSINESS

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Nai; *Second:* Cr Elisala

That Council move out of Closed Business.

MOTION CARRIED

19. **ENGINEERING – Hammond Water Main Replacement**

- Cr David Bosun declared a material person interest (MPI)
 - MPI details: Cr Bosun has a Business relationship with Koppens
 - How the Council proposed to deal with the MPI: Cr Bosun chose to leave the room
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- (Cr Fell needs to seek clarification from Mayor Gela on some historical facts regarding the project)

20. **LEGAL – Moa Quarry**

- Cr David Bosun declared a material personal interest (MPI)
 - MPI details: Cr Bosun has a Business relationship (joint venture) with Koppens
 - How the Council proposed to deal with the MPI: Cr Bosun chose to leave the room
- Cr Laurie Nona declared a conflict of interest (COI)
 - COI details: Cr Nona is the Chairman of Badu Island Foundation who owns the Quarry on Badu
 - How the Council proposed to deal with the COI: Cr Nona chose to leave the room
ITEM LEFT LYING ON THE TABLE

Cr Lui made a comment, “we should hang it on the Ilun Kustom way of doing things”.

2.15pm - All staff were asked to leave the room.

21. BUSINESS SERVICES – Contract Supply Negotiation

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Lui; Second: Cr Thaiday

That Council resolves to delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer to complete the Agreed contract supply negotiation strategy.

MOTION CARRIED

22. ENGINEERING – Hammond Water Main Replacement

- Cr David Bosun declared a material personal interest (MPI)
 - MPI details: Cr Bosun has a Business relationship (joint venture) with Koppens
 - How the Council proposed to deal with the MPI: Cr Bosun chose to leave the room

Cr Fell sought Mayor Gela's clarification on the historical area of this project. Mayor Gela provides a verbal insight to the history of this project.

RESOLUTION:

Moved: Cr Nai; Second: Cr Levi

That pursuant to the Local Government Act 2009 and Local Government Regulation 2012, that Council resolve to:

- Award contract TSIRC2018-132 for Hammond Island Water Main Replacement Tender to Pensar Project Infrastructure Pty Ltd for the amount of \$1,425,726.00 (ex. GST).
- Delegate authority to the Chief Executive Officer in accordance with the Local Government Act 2009 to negotiate, finalise and execute any and all matters associated with entering into the contracts under this arrangement.
 - Engage AECOM to Project Manage the Hammond Island Water Main Replacement project (Contract TSIRC2018-132) for the amount of \$93,260.00.

MOTION CARRIED

ACTION: Cr Fell requested a paper from the Engineering team on TSIRC's Water Infrastructure projects across the region. HOE to present a paper on MIP6 and ICCIP priorities as a project summary by Division.

HOE informs Council MIP7 is on the way and the team is working on compiling a wish list.

4:49pm – Cr Bosun returns to the meeting.

24. 4:49pm – 4:54pm Next Meeting Date

Date: 9 & 10 December 2019

Venue: TI Conference and VMR# 8 – 0299165 402

25. 4:54pm – 5:00pm Leave in Advance

The following Councillors applied for leave in advance for the November 2019 OM;

- Cr Nai
- Cr Tamu
- Cr Lui

- Cr Elisala
- Cr Bosun and
- Cr Nona

26. 5:00pm – 5:06pm General Business

Cr Bosun asked about the Backhoe at St Pauls being shared with his Division Kubin.

ACTION: HOE to speak to the DEO at St Paul's regarding the sharing of the Backhoe between the two communities.

Cr Akiba asked the CEO and Mayor; when they visit Saibai next have the Manager Legal Services with them.

ACTION: SEA to include the MLS on the Saibai visit of the Mayor and CEO

Cr Thaiday make request to Councillors to support the Mye family for the Tombstone of the late Georg Mye at Darnley in December.

ACTION: Cr Thaiday to circulate an email with his request for support to all Councillors.

ACTION: COO to check with the CEO for Budget to help with the support for the Mye family.

Meeting Closed at 5:15pm - Prayer by Cr Levi

Tuesday 22 October 2019

Present

Cr Dimas Toby, Division 1 – Boigu
Cr Torenzo Elisala, Division 2 – Dauan
Cr Keri Akiba, Division 3 – Saibai
Cr Laurie Nona, Division 5 – Badu
Cr David Bosun, Division 6 – Kubin Community at Mua Island
Cr John Levi, Division 7 – St Pauls Community at Mua Island
Cr Getano Lui Jnr, Division 9 – Iama
Cr Clara Tamu, Division 10 – Warraber
Cr Francis Pearson, Division 11 – Poruma
Cr Ted Nai, Division 12 – Masig
Cr Rocky Stephen, Division 13 – Ugar
Cr Patrick Thaiday, Division 14 – Erub
Cr Bob Kaigey, Division 15 – Mer
Ms Hollie Faithfull, Acting Chief Financial Officer
Mr Peter Krebs, Manager Legal Services
Ms Ursula Nai, Senior Executive Assistant
Mrs Kathy Cochran – Secretariat Officer
Ms Naila Nomoa – Travel Officer

Apologies

Cr Fred Gela, Mayor
Cr Keith Fell, Division 4 – Mabuyag
Cr Mario Sabatino, Division 8 – Kirri
Mr Bruce Ranga, Chief Executive Officer
Mrs Jan Pool, Chief Operating Officer
Mr Luke Ranga, Head of Corporate Affairs & Engagement

31. **9:10am – 9:12am** **Opening prayer and welcome**

Deputy Mayor welcomed everyone and opens the meeting in prayer.

24. **9:05am – 10:05am** **PRESENTATION 1:** Cr Fell – Feedback from the 2nd Domestic
And Family Violence Conference - TI

Cr Fell informs Council there will be another Forum is being held in December on TI. The following Councillor nominated to attend – Cr Tamu, Cr Kaigey and Cr Toby.

ACTION: Cr Fell to circulate to the nominated Councillor the dates and details of the Forum.

10:05am – 10:30am - Morning Tea

25. **10:30am – 11:00am** **PRESENTATION 2:** AirBridge – Mr Doug Stephens, Managing
Director and Mr Andrew Cortis, Chief Operations Officer.

26. **11:00am – 12:00pm** **PRESENTATION 3:** North Queensland Sports Foundations, Mr
Stephen Farrell, Chief Executive Officer.

The next Forum is on the 6th December. Currently only Cr Fell is a member of the Foundation.

ACTION: SEA to circulate the date and details to all Councillors.

12:00 – 1:00pm - Lunch

27. **1:00pm – 2:00pm** **PRESENTATION 4:** Crime Stoppers – Mr Mladen Bosnic,
Chairperson – Far Northern Volunteer Area Committee, Detective
Senior Sgt, Kevin Goan – Police Representative on the Volunteer
Area Committee.

ACTION: CEO to invite Snr Sgt Goan and Mladen Bosnjak to hold an ICE forum in the
Torres Straits. Mayor would like to see the current trends coming through the Region based
on patterns and intelligence feedback.

28. **2:00pm – 3:15pm** **PRESENTATION 5:** Cr David Bosun, Mr Ted Bosun and Mr Scott
Koppens, Director partner - Wugalgal Holdings, Mr Matt
Ingraham – Planning and Meghan – Environmental officer

Mayor Gela explained TSIRC's role in their capacity as a Local Government and also as a Trustee. As the Trustee we look at the rights and interest of the whole area and the Native Title body looks after the traditional rights and interest.

Explanation was also given on the fact that funds paid to the Trustee doesn't get put into consolidated revenue but paid to the Trust. Mayor Gela explained the way forward and following the due process;

1. A formal trustee meeting needs to be held in both Kubin and St Pauls community.
2. All the information about the project needs to be presented at the trustee meeting.
3. Recording the position and views of the people in the DOGIT are.

4. Attendance sheet from the meeting
5. Record all queries raised and any resolution made at the meeting.

3:15pm – 3:40pm – Afternoon Tea

29. **3:40pm – 4:15pm** **PRESENTATION 6:** Relationships Australia – Growing our own into the future - Mr John Abednego, Mama Rose Elu, Fiona Bennett and Natasha Rae General Manager, Relationships Australia, Cairns.

Relationship Australia is seeking a letter of support from TSIRC.

All Councillors voted in favour and support Council's letter of support. Council also nominated Cr Lui as the TSIRC representative and Cr Lui accepted.

ACTION: CEO to write a letter under the Mayor's hand in support for Relationship Australia.
SEA to contact Natasha Rae to find out the details.

35. **11:55pm – 12:00pm** **Closing Remarks**

Deputy Mayor thanked everyone for the time and attendance and invited Mama Rose Elu to close the meeting in prayer.

Meeting Closed – 12:00noon