

**Torres Strait Island**  
REGIONAL COUNCIL

# MINUTES

## GOVERNANCE AND LEADERSHIP COMMITTEE

Date: 10<sup>th</sup> November 2021  
Time: 10:00am to 12:00pm  
Venue: Cairns

**PRESENT:**

Deputy Mayor Councillor Getano Lui (Jnr), Division 9 – Iama (Yam)  
Cr Lama Trinkoon, Committee Member, Division 6 – Kubin (Arkai), Mua Island  
Cr Laurie Nona, Division 5 – Badu  
Cr Francis Pearson, Division 11 – Poruma (Coconut)

**APOLOGY:**

Cr Dimas Toby, Committee Member, Division 1 - Boigu

**STAFF:**

Ms Megan Barrett – Interim Executive Corporate Services  
Ms Julia Maurus – Senior Legal Officer  
Ms May Mosby – Acting Secretariat  
Ms Naila Nomoa – Travel Officer

1. **Welcome (Chair)**

Cr Getano Lui welcomed committee and staff members.

2. **Opening Prayer**

Cr Getano Lui opened the meeting with a word of prayer.

3. **Apology**

Cr Dimas Toby due to attendance at TSRA meeting on Thursday Island.

4. **Declaration of Conflict of Interest (COI) (Prescribed and Declarable)**

Nil

5. **Ratified Minutes for noting – 11 February 2021**

Cr Getano Lui asked to amend the surname of Mr Ken White to Ken Wyatt.

6. **Action Items List**

No update on action items

7. **CORPORATE - Council Boundary Change**

Ms Megan Barrett, Executive Director, Corporate Services spoke to this report. It was noted that the paper had not been cast in an appropriate form and was more of a political proposal, than a culturally appropriate and relevant document. Councillors agreed that there should be a revision of the paper, to better accommodate priorities including but not limited to:

- Request Minister Wyatt attend outer island.
- There was discussion about the status of certain islands and their inclusion in Outer Island definitions
- St Pauls Anglican Mission
- Hammond Island Catholic Mission
- Thursday Island special quarantine zones including Hammond Island
- Hammond Island and Torres Strait Protected Zone
- PNG Waters

- Map for use with Deputations
- Enough consultation has been done. Further input from Torres Shire would be repetitive and political and therefore not necessarily relevant.
- Protected Zone joint Authority (PZJA)

**ACTION: Executive Director, Corporate Services prepare map/report and seek input from Cr Lui, then to direct revised report to SARG to develop a paper for Council's consideration . Revise proposed boundary lines to align more with the "Top Hat" model and ensure the revised paper is culturally appropriate and accurate.**

## **8. CORPORATE – Deputations – Top 10 priorities**

Ms Megan Barrett, Executive Director Corporate Services spoke to this report and introduced the draft Deputations document, noting that this was initial draft and should be regarded as an opportunity for feedback. Councillors were reminded of the short timelines to finalise and approve the document in order for it to be utilised at the November/December 2021 Deputations visits in Brisbane.

Members were pleased to note the use of more direct language, a greater reliance on facts and a shorter, easier-to-read document. Thanks were extended and it was agreed that the draft should progress to Council once a final draft was available.

**ACTION: Executive Director, Corporate Services provide a report on the final draft Deputations 2021-22 document to SARG and/or Council (time permitting) for approval.**

## **9. LEGAL – Delegations Update: Building Regulation 2021**

Senior Legal Officer, Ms Julia Maurus spoke to report and an in-depth conversation was held.

A new instrument of delegations is required and considered.

**ACTION: Senior Legal Officer to provide a report on the new instrument of delegations.**

## **10. COMMITTEE MOVES INTO CLOSED BUSINESS**

### **RESOLUTION:**

***Move:* Cr Lama Trinkoon Second: Cr Getano Lui**

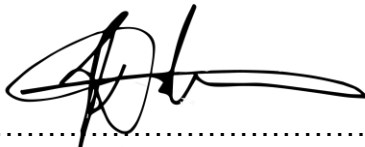
**That in accordance with Section 254J of the *Local Government Regulation 2012 (Qld)* it is resolved for the meeting to go into closed business to discuss matters of the following nature:**

(h) legal advice obtained by the local government or legal proceedings involving the local government including, for example, legal proceedings that may be taken by or against the local government.

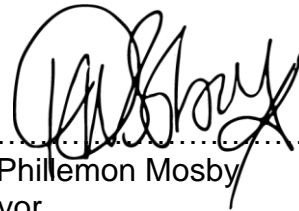
**MOTION CARRIED**

**11. LEGAL – CB – Torres Strait islander Flag Licensing**

The meeting closed at 12:30pm due to conflict with another meeting. The Chair requested the meeting be rescheduled when time permits.



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Mr James William  
Chief Executive Officer  
Torres Strait Island Regional Council  
Date: 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2022



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Cr Phillemon Mosby  
Mayor  
Torres Strait Island Regional Council  
Date: