



Time: 9.00am to 10.30am

Venue: *Microsoft (TEAMS) Meeting ID: 466 069 832 218 | Passcode: vR3gj2k2*

PRESENT:

Mayor

Division 1 – Boigu
Division 2 – Dauan
Division 3 – Saibai
Division 4 – Mabuia
Division 5 – Badu / **Deputy Mayor**
Division 8 – Kirirri (Hammond Island)
Division 9 – Iama
Division 10 – Warraber
Division 11 – Poruma
Division 12 – Masig
Division 13 – Ugar
Division 14 – Erub
Division 15 – Mer

Cr Phillemon Mosby
Cr Dimas Toby
Cr Torenzo Elisala – *joined meeting at 9.15am*
Cr Chelsea Aniba
Cr Keith Fell
Cr Ranetta Wosomo
Cr Seriako Dorante
Cr Aggie Hankin
Cr Kabay Tamu – *joined meeting at 9.10am*
Cr Francis Pearson
Cr Ted Mosby
Cr Rocky Stephen
Cr Nixon Mye
Cr Bob Kaigey

APOLOGIES:

Division 6 – Kubin
Division 7 – Wug (St. Pauls), Mua Island
Cr Iona Manas – *Sad News/Sorry Business*
Cr John Levi – *prior travel commitments*

OFFICERS:

Chief Executive Officer

Executive Director Building Services
Executive Director Community Services
Executive Director Corporate Services
Executive Director Engineering Services
Manager Governance & Risk
DOGIT Transfer, Land Tenure and
Native Title Advisor
Executive Assistant to the CEO
TSIRC Secretariat

Mr James William
Mr Wayne Green
Mr Dawson Sailor
Ms Vicki Bishop
Mr David Baldwin
Ms Kim Kerwin
Ms Joanne Bryant
Ms Amy Orr
Mr Darryl Brooks

A. WELCOME & QUORUM CONFIRMATION | ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS | OPENING PRAYER | OBSERVANCES

At 9.05am the Mayor formally opened the December 2025 Trustee Council meeting, noting that a quorum of members was present.

The Mayor welcomed attendees and made the following acknowledgements:

- Our Heavenly Father for His awesome wisdom, knowledge, understanding and favour upon our lives, our leadership, our families, our communities and our constituents throughout the length and breadth of Zenadth Kes;
- all Traditional Custodians of land and sea Country in the homelands here and from Mer in the East to Boigu in the West and the communities and constituents that Council serves; and
- The Traditional Custodians of Kaurareg and Cairns who host elements of the TSIRC footprint.

The Mayor acknowledged and conveyed to those members of the Torres Strait Islander community throughout the homelands and on the Australian mainland who may currently be experiencing Sad News/Sorry Business, the collective thoughts, prayers and well wishes of Council during this time.

Cr Francis Pearson delivered the opening prayer and the Trustee Council observed a minute of silence as a gesture of respect and reflection to honour the memory of deceased loved ones.

B. NOTING OF APOLOGIES

The following apologies were noted and accepted by the Trustee Council:

Division	Councillor/Reason	Mover/Second
Div. 6 – Kubin	Cr Iona Manas – <i>Sad News/Sorry Business</i>	CR TOBY / CR HANKIN
Div. 7 – St Pauls (Mua Community)	Cr John Levi – <i>prior travel commitments</i>	CR PEARSON / CR ANIBA

C. CONFLICT OF INTEREST (COI) DECLARATIONS

The Mayor advised that he had not received any COI notifications in writing from Councillors in relation to the Trustee Meeting for December 2025 and requested Councillors to advise of COI declarations should any matters arise during deliberations.

D. LIVE STREAM

The Mayor advised that this meeting is being LIVE STREAMED on Council’s YouTube Channel and welcomed those members of the general public who may be viewing proceedings. The Mayor added that this livestreaming service is Council’s commitment to the community to offer transparency and to allow members of the general public and organisational partners in the region and across the TSIRC footprint to be informed of the Trustee Council’s deliberations and decision—making processes.

1. CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES (19 NOVEMBER 2025)

#T24-28/2025-12/1

CR PEARSON / CR STEPHEN

Council (as Trustee) confirms the Minutes of the Trustee Meeting held on 19 November 2025

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

1.1. UPDATE ON ACTION ITEMS FROM PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The Chief Executive Officer (Mr James William) spoke to this item and the update was noted by the Trustee Council.

2. RESOLUTION TO CLOSE THE MEETING TO THE PUBLIC

#T24-28/2025-12/2

CR MYE / CR ANIBA

Council (as Trustee) resolves to close the meeting to the public pursuant to section 84 of the *Local Government Act 2009* to allow the Trustee to discuss items listed on the agenda for closed discussion and for the reasons outlined under those items.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

3. Culture, Arts, Land & Heritage (CALH) Advisory Committee – Update on Land & Native Title Strategic Matters – *verbal update by Cr Chelsea Aniba*

[Reason for Closed Discussion: To discuss business which public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the trustee council or someone else].

Council (as Trustee) noted the verbal update.

Action Required:

Chief Executive Officer / DOGIT Transfer, Land Tenure and Native Title Advisor to provide the Trustee with clarification on which body represents the native title interests for the Kirri Community pending the outcomes of the current native title claim over that Community.

4. RESOLUTION TO RETURN THE MEETING TO OPEN DISCUSSION

#T24-28/2025-12/4

CR TOBY / CR PEARSON

Council (as Trustee) resolves to move out of closed discussions pursuant to Section 84 of the *Local Government Act 2009*.

CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY

5. CONSIDERATION OF MATTERS DISCUSSED IN CLOSED SESSION

The Mayor advised that no decisions were made by Council (as Trustee) during closed session discussions.

6. ITEMS ARISING

Nil.

7. NEXT MEETING – TBA January 2026 (VC)

The Trustee Council noted that the 2026 Schedule of meetings will be determined at the December 2025 Ordinary Council meeting.

8. CLOSE OF MEETING

The Mayor closed the Trustee Council meeting at 10.00am.

MINUTES CONFIRMED – 28 January 2026

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Cr Phillemon Mosby
Mayor
Torres Strait Island Regional Council

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James William
Chief Executive Officer
Torres Strait Island Regional Council

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