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Meeting Minutes
TRUSTEE COUNCIL MEETING #11
Wednesday 26th February 2025
Bamaga Boardroom

Agenda Item 1. Welcome and Opening of Meeting

Mayor Poi Poi welcomed attendees and opened the meeting at 11:14am with a prayer by Cr Yoelu.

Agenda Item 2. Acknowledgement of Country

Mayor Poi Poi paid respects on behalf of the Trustee to the traditional owners of the land upon which the meeting was held and the traditional owners of the Northern Peninsula Area Region; and to their elders past, present and emerging.

Agenda Item 3. Present

Mayor & Councillors

Mayor Robert Poi Poi	Mayor	
Cr David Byrne	Division 1	
Cr Mary Yoelu	Division 2 / Deputy Mayor	
Cr Kitty Gebadi	Division 3	(via videoconference)
Cr Bradford Elu	Division 5	
Cr Marlene Bond	Division 4	

Other Attendees

Lew Rojahn	CEO
Brett de Chastel	Advisor
Sabrina Mudu	Senior Executive Assistant (Minute Taker)



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Agenda Item 4.

Apologies

Agenda Item 5.

Declarations of Conflict of Interest

Agenda Item 6.

Confirmation of Minutes of Previous Meeting

Resolution

That Council as Trustees:

Notes and confirms the minutes from the Special Trustee Meeting held Friday 7th February 2025.

Moved: Cr Elu

Vote: 5/0

Seconded: Cr Byrne

Resolution: T6.2-26022025

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Agenda Item 7. Business Arising from Previous Meeting

Resolution

That Council as Trustees:

1. Pursuant to section 84(2) of the *Local Government Act 2009* "LG Act" to close this part of the meeting to the public;
2. Pursuant to section 84(2) of the LG Act:
 - (a) The matters that is to be discussed includes legal advice obtained by the local government as trustee, including contracts proposed to be made by the trustee council for which a public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the trustee (section 84(2)(a) and 84(3)(e) of the LG Act).
 - (b) An overview of what is to be discussed while the meeting is closed is the ongoing business of finalising commercial leasing arrangements as resolved at previous Trustee meetings

Moved: Cr Elu
Vote: 5/0

Seconded: Cr Yoelu
Resolution: T7.1-26022025

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Action items were discussed as per the Action Task List

Resolution

That Council as Trustees:

1. Resolve to open the meeting.

Moved: Cr Yoelu
Vote: 5/0

Seconded: Cr Byrne
Resolution: T7.2-26022025

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Agenda Item 8.

Reports

Agenda Item 8.1.

NPA Family and Community Services – Injinoo Clinic Lease Amendment

Cr Yoelu left the meeting 11:38am

Resolution

That the Trustee:

1. At the request of division one councillor, does not agree to amend the lease as per the request from NPA Family and Community Services Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation.
2. Request NPA Family and Community Services Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Corporation facilitate communication between the Commonwealth Government and division one councillor regarding this matter.

Moved: Cr Byrne

Vote: 4/0

Seconded: Cr Elu

Resolution: T8.1-26022025

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Mayor Poipoi – For

Cr Byrne – For

Cr Gebadi – For

Cr Elu - For

Mayor left the meeting 11.59pm

Cr Yoelu returns to meeting 12:00pm

Agenda Item 8.2.

Tenure Arrangements for Seisia Fishing Club

Mayor returns to meeting 12:04pm

Cr Yoelu left the meeting 12:19pm

Cr Yoelu returns to meeting 12:22pm

Resolution

That Council (as Trustee):

1. Defer the matter to March Trustees meeting pending further consultation with the Seisia Fishing Association.

Moved: Cr Elu

Vote: 5/0

Seconded: Cr Byrne

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Agenda Item 8.3. Seisia Community Torres Strait Islander Corporation – Divestment Matters

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That Council as Trustees:

1. Pursuant to section 84(2) of the *Local Government Act 2009* “LG Act” to close this part of the meeting to the public to allow the trustee council to discuss business for which public discussion would be likely to prejudice the interests of the trustee council;
2. Pursuant to section 84(4) of the Act, the general nature of the matters to be discussed while the meeting is closed to the public are matters relating to the divestment of assets to Seisia Community Torres Strait Islander Corporation, including legal advice about the proposed divestment and existing and proposed contracts and other agreements relating to the divestment, and associated planning compliance and debt recovery matters.

Moved: Cr Yoelu

Vote: 4/0

Seconded: Cr Elu

Resolution: T8.3.1-26022025

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Cr Gebadi left the meeting 13:37pm

Resolution

That Council as Trustees:

1. Resolve to open the meeting.

Moved: Cr Byrne

Vote: 4/0

Seconded: Cr Elu

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Resolution

That Council (as Trustee) resolve:

1. To note the Report
2. Advise SCTISC to meet with the Mayor, Seisia Councillor and CEO by 14 March 2025 to discuss outstanding matters or the following actions will be taken
 - a. Pause on progression of the divestment while community engagement is undertaken on the future of the divestment
 - b. Report made to the Registrar of Indigenous Corporations detailing financial and governance concerns
 - c. Report to the April Council Meeting to commence proceedings to recover outstanding debts

Moved: Cr Elu
Vote: 4/0

Seconded: Cr Yoelu
Resolution: T8.3.3-26022025

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Agenda Item 9. Other Business
Nil

Agenda Item 10. Close of Meeting
Meeting closed 14:16pm with a closing prayer by Cr Yoelu.