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MINUTES OF THE 90TH MEETING OF THE ELEVENTH ANGUILLA
EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 16TH MARCH 2017

PRESENT: Her Excellency the Governor, Ms Christina Scott

The Honourable Victor Banks, Chief Minister and Minister of Finance,
Economic Development, Commerce, Tourism, Lands & Physical Planning

The Honourable Deputy Governor, Mr Perin Bradley

The Honourable Evans Rogers, Minister of Health and Social Development

The Honourable Cora Richardson-Hodge, Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration,
Labour, Environment, Human Rights, Gender Affairs, Constitutional Affairs and
Information and Broadcasting

The Honourable Curtis Richardson, Minister of Infrastructure, Communications,
Utilities, Housing, Agriculture and Fisheries and Information Technology

The Honourable Attorney General, Mr John McKendrick QC

Mrs Jewelle Fleming, Clerk to Executive Council

IN ATTENDANCE: Hon Cardigan Connor, Parliamentary Secretary
Mr Karim Hodge, PS, MICUHAFIT
Mr Bancroft Battick, Chief Engineer, DICUH
Mr Julian Daniel, Infrastructure Adviser
Mr Brian Deadman, Financial Adviser to the GoA
Ms Melissa Meade, Director, Disaster Management

EX MIN 17/99 **CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES**

Hon Cardigan Connor, Parliamentary Secretary joined the Meeting.

Council confirmed the Minutes of the 89th Meeting held on Thursday 9th March 2017.

MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

EX MIN 17/101

INTRODUCTION OF NEW INFRASTRUCTURE ADVISER

Hon Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance. The following persons joined the Meeting:

Mr Karim Hodge, PS, MICUHAFIT
 Mr Bancroft Battick, Chief Engineer, DICUH
 Mr Julian Daniel, Infrastructure Adviser
 Mr Brian Deadman, Financial Adviser to the GoA

Mr Julian Daniel, the new Infrastructure Adviser being funded by the UK Government was formally introduced to members of Executive Council on Thursday 16th March 2017. Mr Daniel officially took up his duties in the Ministry of ICUHAFIT on Monday 13th March 2017.

Council welcomed Mr Daniel to Anguilla, noting that he had previously worked in Anguilla. Ministers of Government were pleased with the election of Mr Daniel and looked forward to his support in developing a holistic approach to the infrastructure planning and delivery in Anguilla.

Mr Daniel stated that he was pleased to be in Anguilla again, and that it was his desire that everyone works together to achieve the desired goals.

The contract between the GoA and Mr Daniel was then signed in Executive Council.

Action: PS, MICUHAFIT; MINS OF GOV'T

EX MIN 17/102

EX MEM 17/60 CARIBEWAVE 17, TUESDAY 21 MARCH 2017

Hon Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance. Ms Melissa Meade, Director, Disaster Management joined the Meeting.

Council:

- (i) noted the Government of Anguilla's proposed involvement in Caribewave 17, which will take place on 21 March 2017;
- (ii) noted that as part of this, Anguilla's preparedness to deal effectively with earthquakes and tsunamis would be assessed again;
- (iii) encouraged all Department and Agencies with responsibilities under the tsunamis plan to familiarise themselves with their obligations and duties in advance of the exercise, and to participate fully in it;
- (iv) noted that Anguilla's (public/private business and community) participation was part of the requirements for its TsunamiReady recognition; and
- (v) was made aware of Anguilla's level of readiness to these two hazards.

Council authorised the issue of the action sheet before confirmation of the Minutes.

Action: HE; DIR, DM; PS, HSD; MINS OF GOV'T

EX MIN 17/103

EX MEM 17/61 PROPOSED COMPREHENSIVE DISASTER MANAGEMENT (CDM) POLICY

Hon Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance. Director, Disaster Management remained for discussion.

Council:

- (i) agreed and adopted the draft Comprehensive Disaster Management Policy for Anguilla; and
- (ii) supported the publication and implementation of the Plan.

Action: HE; DIR, DM; PS, HSD; HON AG; MINS OF GOV'T

EX MIN 17/104

EX MEM 17/62 PROPOSED NATIONAL DISASTER MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE AND DEPARTMENT OF DISASTER MANAGEMENT'S WORK PLAN

Hon Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance. Director, Disaster Management remained for discussion.

Council:

- (i) supported the adoption of the proposed National Disaster Management Committee (NDMC) and the Department of Disaster Management's work plan for 2017;
- (ii) agreed that in light of the importance of these issues to Anguilla's resilience that Executive Council should receive updates on the plan's delivery at appropriate intervals; and
- (iii) agreed that the work plan should be published and shared with external stakeholders and the public, in light of the key role they also have to play in supporting the plan's delivery.

Action: HE; DIR, DM; PS, HSD; EXCO MEMBERS

EX MIN 17/105

EX MEM 17/63 THE FILLING OF VARIOUS VACANCIES WITHIN THE APS

Hon Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council:-

- (i) noted the use of the new process to fill certain vacancies within the APS; and
- (ii) agreed that the following vacancies within the APS should be filled:-

<u>Min/Dept.</u>	<u>Title</u>	<u>No of vacancies</u>
MSD/Ed.	Education Planning Statistical Assistant	1
MSD/HMP	Prison Officer	8
MSD/HMP	Senior Prison Officer	1
MSD/HMP	Principal Prison Officer	1
MSD/HMP	Superintendent of Prisons	1
MSD/DoP	Senior Juvenile Care Worker	1
MoF/Customs	Customs Guard	3
MoF/Customs	Customs Officer	9
MoF/Customs	Senior Customs Officer	2
MoF/Customs	ICT Manager	1
MoF/Customs	Executive Secretary	1
Total vacancies		29

Council authorised the issue of the action sheet before confirmation of the Minutes.

Action: HON DG; PS, PA; PS, ELSYC; PS, HSD; PS, FIN; PS, EDICTLP; BD;
ACC GEN

EX MIN 17/106

**EX MEM 17/64 CHARTER FOR CARIBBEAN PUBLIC SERVICES (CCPS)
DEVELOPED BY THE CARIBBEAN CENTRE FOR DEVELOPMENT
ADMINISTRATION (CARICAD)**

Hon Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council noted:

- (i) the information paper on the development of a Charter for Caribbean Public Services as a non-binding agreement among CARICAD member states; and
- (ii) that a substantive submission would be made shortly seeking Executive Council's endorsement of the Charter.

Action: HON DG

EX MIN 17/107

**EX MEM 17/65 UK SUPPORT FOR PUBLIC SECTOR REFORM IN THE
OVERSEAS TERRITORIES VIA CSSF**

Hon Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council:

- (i) noted the details of a new UK cross Government approach and funding to support the 2012 White paper commitments to the Overseas Territories;
- (ii) noted the report on the Heads of Public Service Conference held in the United Kingdom from 20 – 21 October 2016;
- (iii) endorsed the proposed work on public sector reform under the security, good governance and disaster management programme, of which public sector reform is a key component; and
- (iv) encouraged officials within Ministries to actively engage with UK officials on CSSF activities so that support provided properly reflects the needs of Anguilla.

Action: HON DG; PERM SECS; DIR, DM; BD; CPO; ACC GEN

EX MIN 17/108

EX MEM 17/66 THE GOVERNMENT OF ANGUILLA'S WORK PLAN FOR 2017

Hon Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance. Financial Adviser to the GoA remained for discussion.

Council:

- (i) reviewed and agreed the Government of Anguilla's Work Plan for 2017 with amendments to the Ministry of EDICTLP;
- (ii) instructed Permanent Secretaries to:
 - (a) communicate the Government of Anguilla's Work Plan for 2017 within their Ministries; and
 - (b) integrate the Government of Anguilla's Work Plan for 2017 into the objectives and priorities for all APS officers.
- (iii) agreed that Executive Council should monitor the delivery of the Government of Anguilla's Work Plan for 2017 on a quarterly basis, i.e. at the beginning of April, July and October;
- (iv) agreed to prepare an annual Work Plan each year in line with the development of the Budget of the same year for Executive Council's consideration; and
- (v) agreed to evaluate performance versus plan within one month at the end of each annual Work Plan, and to present the results to Executive Council.

Action: HON DG; PERM SECS; BD; MINS OF GOV'T

EX MIN 17/109

EX MEM 17/67 AMENDMENT TO APPLICATION FOR TRANSFER OF SHARES UNDER THE ALIENS LAND HOLDING REGULATIONS ACT IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 7 OF THE ALIENS LAND HOLDING REGULATIONS ACT – ANGUILLA ASSET HOLDINGS LTD – REGISTRATION SECTION WEST END, BLOCK 17609 B, PARCEL 66, CONTAINING 1.25 ACRES

Hon Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

In EX MIN 16/761 of 15th December 2016, Council approved an Aliens Land Holding Licence for Anguilla Asset Holdings Ltd. to hold, on a freehold basis, property described as Registration Section West End, Block 17609 B, Parcel 66, containing a total of 1.25 acres, located at Barnes Bay.

Council noted from the Department of Lands that there was an error in the calculated stamp duty fees payable. Council therefore agreed that EX MIN 16/761 should be amended in part as follows:-

Stamp duties payable are as follows:-

(i)	under Section 25 of the Stamp Act on transfer of shares - 5% of EC\$1,483,886.40	EC\$74,194.32
(ii)	under the Aliens Land Holding Regulation Act Section 14(1) (a) - 12.5% of EC\$1,483,886.40	EC\$185,485.80
(iii)	refundable deposit of 10% of EC\$1,483,886.40	EC\$148,388.64
	TOTAL	<u>EC\$408,068.76</u>

Council authorised the issue of the action sheet before confirmation of the Minutes.

Action: PS, EDICTLP; DLS; PS, FIN

EX MIN 17/110

EX MEM 17/68 APPOINTMENT OF A COMMISSIONER AND A CHAIRMAN TO THE BOARD OF THE PUBLIC UTILITIES COMMISSION

Hon Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council:-

- (i) noted the letter of resignation from Mr Colville Petty OBE as Executive Chairman of the Public Utilities Commission (PUC);

- (ii) agreed to the appointment of Mrs Keesha Carty to the Board of the PUC for a term of two years in accordance with section 3(2) and/or 3(2),(c),(d) of the Public Utilities Commission (Amendment) Act 2014; and
- (iii) agreed to the appointment of Mrs Keesha Carty as Chairman of the PUC for the period of her tenure.

Council authorised the issue of the action sheet before confirmation of the Minutes.

Action: PS, MICUHAFIT; COM/EX DIR, PUC; HON MIN, MICUHAFIT

EX MIN 17/111

EX MEM 17/69 REVOKING WORK PERMIT

Hon Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

In keeping with section 4 (3) of the Control of Employment Act, Council agreed with the recommendation from the Hon Minister of Home Affairs, Immigration and Labour that the work permit for Mr Joshua Torai, a Singapore national employed as an Operations Manager at Zemi Beach should be revoked with immediate effect.

Council authorised the issue of the action sheet before confirmation of the Minutes.

Action: PS, MHA; LAB COM; CIO; HON MIN, MHA

ORAL MENTION

EX MIN 17/112

POOR BEHAVIOUR BY PUBLIC OFFICERS

Hon Parliamentary Secretary remained in attendance.

Council continued to raise concern about repeated reports of poor behaviour from particular public servants. Council asked that appropriate steps be taken, in accordance with General Orders to address this, as a matter of priority.

Action: HON DG; PS, PA
