

**NORFOLK ISLAND  
TENTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY  
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS  
WEDNESDAY 15 MAY 2002**

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TENTH LEJESLIETEW 'SEMBLE  
WENSDI 15 MIEH 2002**

1 The Legislative Assembly met at 10.05 am. The Speaker (Hon D.E. Buffett) took the Chair and read the Prayer

2 **CONDOLENCE**

Ms Nicholas recorded the passing of –

**Henrietta Elizabeth Quintal**

As a mark of respect to the memory of the deceased all Members stood in silence

3 **QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**

**Mr Brown joined the meeting at 10.24 am**

4 **QUESTIONS ON NOTICE**

Answers were provided to the following questions on Notice:

No. 29 (Ms Nicholas to Minister for Community Services and Tourism) re procedures during recent police inquiries for collection from people who worked at the crime scene of forensic material for DNA analysis

No. 30 (Ms Nicholas to Minister for Land and the Environment) re. potential for subdivision of additional portions of land under proposed Norfolk Island Plan both in respect of existing freehold land and leasehold land proposed for freeholding

No. 31 (Mrs Jack to Minister for Community Services and Tourism) re. employment at the school of “lay teachers”, “teachers’ aides” and “part time teachers.

No. 32 (Mrs Jack to Minister for Finance) re. licensing of private residences as commercial food outlets.

5 **PRESENTATION OF PAPERS**

The following Papers were presented to the House:

1 Mr Gardner (Chief Minister) - Final Report on, and Statement of Income and Expenditure for the 6<sup>th</sup> South Pacific Mini Games held on Norfolk Island in 2001  
Ms Nicholas moved -

**THAT the House take note of the Paper**

Debate ensued

Question put and agreed to on the voices

2 Mr Smith (Minister for Community Services and Tourism) tabled –

- a) Annual Report and Financial Statements for the Norfolk Island Hospital Enterprise for the year ended 30 June 2001, and moved -

**THAT the House take note of the Paper**

Debate ensued

Question put and agreed to on the voices

- b) Norfolk Island Broadcasting Authority (Licence Application) Regulations 2002

- c) Inbound Passenger Statistics for April 2002 and moved –

**THAT the House take note of the Paper**

Debate ensued

Question put and agreed to on the voices

**6 STATEMENTS**

1 Mr Smith (Minister for Community Services and Tourism) –

- a) Reported on the recent education meeting he had hosted on Norfolk Island with a visiting delegation from the NSW education system. The delegation included Ms Hetty Cislowski (Assistant Director General Department of Education and Training), Mr Wayne Parkin (District Superintendent Department of Education and Training), Mr Barry Johnson (General Secretary of the NSW Teachers Federation) and Mr Peter McGuire (Personnel Officer Department of Education and Training). Norfolk's School Principal Mr Ron Miles and Mr Roger Williams (Executive Director Community Services and Tourism who chaired the meeting) were also in attendance. The prime purpose of the visit was to hold discussions concerning the Memorandum of Understanding between the NSW Department of Education and Training and the Norfolk Island Government with regard to staffing of the Norfolk Island Central School;

- b) Responded to a question asked earlier in the sitting regarding Dr Damien Foong, Government Medical Officer

A point of order having been called that Standing Order 72A was being infringed during debate –

Mr Brown moved –

**THAT standing order 72A be suspended**

The House voted -

<b>AYES, 7</b>	<b>NOES, 2</b>
<b>Mr Gardner</b>	<b>Mr David Buffett</b>
<b>Mr G Donaldson</b>	<b>Mrs Jack</b>
<b>Mr I F Buffett</b>	
<b>Mr R Nobbs</b>	
<b>Ms C Nicholas</b>	
<b>Mr G Smith</b>	
<b>Mr J Brown</b>	

**Application of Standing Order 72A suspended**

Mr Nobbs moved –

**THAT the House takes note of the Statement**

Debate ensued

Question put and agreed to on the voices

**The Speaker suspended the sitting at 12.25 pm until 2 pm**  
**The House resumed at 2.05 pm, the Speaker taking the Chair**

**7 TOURISM – FUTURE DIRECTION**

Mr Smith (Minister for Community Services and Tourism), pursuant to notice, moved –

**THAT this House supports and adopts the document Unity 2005 prepared by the Norfolk Island Government Tourist Bureau in 1995**

Debate ensued

Debate adjourned (Mr Nobbs) and the resumption of debate made an Order of the Day for a subsequent day of sitting

**8 IMMIGRATION ACT 1980 - -RE-APPOINTMENT OF PERSONS TO IMMIGRATION COMMITTEE**

Mr Gardner (Chief Minister), pursuant to notice, moved -

**THAT for the purposes of subsection 6(4) of the *Immigration Act 1980*, this House recommends the re-appointment of –**

**Joan Marie Kenny  
Lisle Denis Snell  
Barbara Elvey**

**as members of the Immigration Committee for the period 19 May 2002 to 18 May 2004**

Debate ensued

Question put and agreed to on the voices

**9 IMMIGRATION ACT 1980 - IMMIGRATION POLICY AND GUIDELINES**

Debate resumed (Mr Gardner, Chief Minister) on the question – That the motion be agreed to

Mr Gardner, by leave, moved –

**THAT the words “to such extent that they do not conflict with the Immigration Act 1980” be added at the end of the motion**

Debate ensued

Question – THAT the amendment be agreed to – put and agreed to on the voices

Question – That the motion as amended be agreed to – put and agreed to on the voices

**10 NORFOLK ISLAND PLAN**

Debate resumed (Mr I Buffett, Minister for Land and the Environment) on the question – That the motion be agreed to

Mr Nobbs, by leave, moved the following amendment:

**THAT the words “and deletion of all reference in the Plan to community title” be inserted at the end of the motion**

**Deputy Speaker Nicholas took the Chair at 3.40 pm**

Debate ensued

Debate adjourned (Mr Ivens Buffett) and the resumption of debate made an Order of the day for a subsequent day of sitting

**11 FIXING OF THE NEXT SITTING DAY**

Mr Donaldson moved –

**THAT the House at its rising adjourn until Wednesday 5 June 2002 at 10 am**

Question put and agreed to on the voices

**12 ADJOURNMENT**

Mr Brown moved –

**THAT the House do now adjourn**

Debate ensued with Mr Ivens Buffett participating

Question put and agreed to on the voices

**AND THEN the House at 4.41 pm adjourned**

Robin-Eleanor Adams  
**Clerk to the Legislative Assembly**

**Members Present:** All Members were present