

**NORFOLK ISLAND  
TWELFTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY  
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS  
WEDNESDAY 16 JANUARY 2008**

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TWELWTH LEJESLIETEW 'SEMBLE  
WENSDI 16 JAENYUWERI 2008**

**1** The Legislative Assembly met at 10.01 am. The Speaker, Hon Lisle Snell MLA, took the Chair and read Prayers

**2 LEAVE OF ABSENCE FOR MR CHRIS MAGRI MLA**  
Leave from the sitting was unanimously extended to Mr Chris Magri MLA

**3 CONDOLENCES**  
Mr Tim Sheridan recorded the passing of –

**Marjorie Dawn Nobbs**

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

**4 WELCOME TO VISITORS IN GALLERY**  
Mr Speaker welcomed to the Island Hon Ruth Forrest MLC, Independent Member for Murchison in Tasmania and her husband Bruce

**5 QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**

**6 PRESENTATION OF PAPERS**  
The following papers were presented:

- (1) Mr Nobbs, Chief Minister – Final copy of Annual Report 2006-2007 and the Annual Report 2005-2006
- (2) Mr Gardner, Minister for Tourism and Health – Inbound passenger statistics for December 2007 and moved –

**THAT the House take note of the paper**

Debate ensued  
Question put and agreed to on the voices

**7 STATEMENTS**  
(1) Mr Gardner, Minister for Tourism and Health, acknowledged the dedicated service of Dr Mervyn Thomas, visiting gastroenterologist since 1994, who is due for retirement

**8 MESSAGE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR**  
The Speaker reported **Message No. 11** from the Acting Administrator advising that on 3 January 2008 he declared his assent to the Sentencing (Amendment) Act 2007, Companies Amendment Act 2007, Public Moneys (Amendment) Act 2007 and the Public Moneys (Amendment No. 2) Act 2007

**9 KAVHA – PROPOSED WORLD HERITAGE LISTING**  
Mr Sheridan, pursuant to notice, moved -

**THAT this House does not support World Heritage Listing of the Kingston and Arthur's Vale Historic Area (KAVHA) at this point in time until the following are achieved:**

- a. a new KAVHA Conservation Management Plan (CMP) to replace the current 1988 CMP has been agreed and adopted by both the Norfolk Island & the Australian Governments; and
- b. having regard to the concerns raised by landowners in KAVHA the executive member with responsibility for KAVHA has entered into urgent dialogue with the Australian Government requesting consideration to vary the existing KAVHA boundaries

Debate ensued

**Papers:** Mrs Jack tabled briefing notes on KAVHA process

Mrs Jack moved the following amendment –

**THAT this House resolves to request the responsible executive member to write to the appropriate minister in the Australian government requesting consideration of a review of the KAVHA boundaries**

Debate ensued

Question – That Mrs Jack’s amendment be agreed to – put

The House voted –

<b>AYES, 5</b>	<b>NOES, 3</b>
<b>Mrs Jack</b>	<b>Mr Snell</b>
<b>Mr N Christian</b>	<b>Mr B Christian</b>
<b>Mr Nobbs</b>	<b>Mr Sheridan</b>
<b>Mr Gardner</b>	
<b>Mr Anderson</b>	

Motion agreed

Question – That Motion as amended be agreed to

Debate ensued

**Papers:** Mr Gardner tabled –

- a) Response to Mrs Jack’s Press Release
- b) Support to points of KAVHA concerns

Question put and agreed to on the voices – Mr Sheridan abstaining

## **10 IMMIGRATION ACT 1980 – SETTING OF QUOTA**

Mr Nobbs, Chief Minister, by leave, moved -

**THAT for the purposes of subsection 21(1) of the Immigration Act 1980, this Legislative Assembly resolves that it be determined by instrument in writing that 60 General Entry Permits be granted during the period 17 February 2008 to 16 February 2009**

Debate ensued

Mr Gardner moved –

**THAT the quota number of “60” be deleted and the number “10” be inserted**

Debate ensued

Question – That 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

**11 LIQUOR (AMENDMENT) BILL 2008**

Mr N Christian, Minister for finance, by leave, presented the Liquor (amendment) Bill 2008 and moved –

**THAT the Bill be agreed to in principle**

**Papers:** Mr Christian tabled the Explanatory Memorandum

Leave granted for Bill to pass through all stages at this sitting

Debate ensued

Question put and agreed to on the voices

Leave granted to dispense with the detail stage

Mr Christian moved –

**THAT the Bill be agreed to**

Question put and agreed to on the voices

**12 SUPPLEMENTARY APPROPRIATION BILL 2007-2008**

Debate resumed (Mr Neville Christian, Minister for Finance) from 19 December 2007 on the question – That the Bill be agreed to in principle

Debate ensued

Question put

Bill agreed to in principle on the voices

Mr Christian moved the detail stage amendment –

**THAT the words “An Act” in the long title of the Bill be deleted  
and the words “A Bill for an Act” inserted**

Debate ensued

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

Mr Christian moved -

**THAT the Bill be agreed to**

Question put

Bill agreed to on the voices

**13 ROADSIDE BREATH TESTING**

Debate resumed (Mrs Jack, Minister for the Environment, Education and Social Welfare) from 19 December 2007 on the question – That the Motion be agreed to

Question put and agreed to on the voices

**14 SUBDIVISION (AMENDMENT) BILL 2007**

By request Bill not called on

**15 ABSENTEE LANDOWNERS LEVY (AMENDMENT) BILL 2007**

Debate resumed (Mr Neville Christian, Minister for Finance) from 19 December 2007 on the question – That the Bill be agreed to in principle

Question put

Bill agreed to in principle on the voices

Leave granted to dispense with the detail stage

Mr Christian moved -

**THAT the Bill be agreed to**

Question put

Bill agreed to on the voices

**16 FIXING OF THE NEXT SITTING DAY**

Mr Anderson moved –

**THAT the house at its rising adjourn until Wednesday  
20<sup>th</sup> February 2008 at 10 am**

Question put and agreed to on the voices

**17 ADJOURNMENT**

Mr B Christian moved –

**THAT the House do now adjourn**

Debate ensued with Mr Nobbs participating

Question put and agreed to on the voices

**AND THEN the House at 3.02 pm adjourned until Wednesday 20 February 2008 at 10 am**

Gaye Evans

**Deputy Clerk to the Legislative Assembly**

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** All Members were present except Mr Magri, by leave