

**NORFOLK ISLAND  
TENTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY  
MINUTES OF PROCEEDINGS  
WEDNESDAY 24 APRIL 2002**

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TENTH LEJESLIETEW 'SEMBLE  
WENSDI 24 IEPRIL 2002**

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

2 **CONDOLENCES**

Ms Nicholas recorded the passing of –

**Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth the Queen Mother  
Janelle Louise Patton  
Judy Kerr  
George Edward LeCren**

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

3 **QUESTIONS WITHOUT NOTICE**

4 **PRESENTATION OF PAPERS**

The following Papers were presented to the House –

- 1) Mr Gardner (Chief Minister) tabled the Crimes (Forensic Procedures) Regulations 2002
2. Mr Donaldson (Minister for Finance) tabled the Financial Indicators for March 2002 and moved –

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

Debate ensued  
Question put and agreed to on the voices

- 3) Mr Smith (Minister for Community Services and Tourism) -
  - a) tabled the Public Sector Management Amendment (Elections and Prescribed Organisations) Regulations 2002 and moved –

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

- Debate ensued  
Question put and agreed to on the voices
- b) Mr Smith tabled the Inbound Passenger Statistics for March 2002 and moved –

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

Debate ensued  
Question put and agreed to on the voices

**5 STATEMENTS OF AN OFFICIAL NATURE**

Mr I F Buffett (Minister for Lands and the Environment) briefly reported on his recent visit to Darwin where he represented the Chief Minister at the Ministerial Council of Immigration and Multicultural Affairs. He was accompanied by the Immigration Officer, Mr Mitchell Evans

**6 MESSAGE FROM THE OFFICE OF THE ADMINISTRATOR**

The Speaker reported **Message No. 4** from the Administrator advising that on 10 April 2002 he declared his assent to the Crimes (Forensic Procedures) Act 2002

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

Mr Gardner (Chief Minister and Minister for Intergovernment Relations) tabled the draft Immigration Policy and Guidelines document dated 21 April 2002, and, pursuant to notice, moved –

**THAT this House directs that the executive member responsible for Immigration matters and the Immigration Committee shall have regard to the Immigration Policy and Guidelines dated 21 April 2002 as a relevant matter required to be considered under section 17(2) and section 19(2) of the Immigration Act 1980.**

Debate ensued

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

**8 NORFOLK ISLAND PLAN**

Mr I Buffett (Minister for Land and the Environment), pursuant to notice, moved –

**THAT this House, in accordance with section 10(4) of the Planning Act 1996, resolves to approve the draft Plan as laid before it with the alterations made by the executive member**

Debate ensued

**The Deputy Speaker took the Chair at 2.52 pm**

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

**9 PLANNING BILL 2002**

Mr I Buffett (Minister for Land and the Environment), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to provide for a Norfolk Island Plan and associated controls on the use and development of land in Norfolk Island, and for related purposes

**Papers:**

Mr I F Buffett tabled the Bill and the Explanatory Memorandum to the Bill

Debate ensued

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

**10 NORFOLK ISLAND PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT BOARD BILL 2002**

Mr I Buffett (Minister for Land and the Environment), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to provide for the establishment, authorities, functions, powers and duties of the Norfolk Island Planning and Environment Board, and for related purposes and moved –

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

**Papers:**

Mr I F Buffett tabled the Bill and the Explanatory Memorandum to the Bill

Debate ensued

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

**11 HERITAGE BILL 2002**

Mr I Buffett (Minister for Land and the Environment), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act in association with the Planning Act 2002 to provide for the promotion for the conservation of the heritage of Norfolk Island, and for related purposes and moved –

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

**Papers:**

Mr I F Buffett tabled the Bill and the Explanatory Memorandum to the Bill

Debate ensued

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

**12 SUBDIVISION BILL 2002**

Mr I Buffett (Minister for Land and the Environment), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act in association with the Planning Act 2002 to provide for planning controls on the subdivision and amalgamation of land, and for related purposes and moved –

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

**Papers:**

Mr I F Buffett tabled the Bill and the Explanatory Memorandum to the Bill

Debate ensued

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

**13 ROADS BILL 2002**

Mr I Buffett (Minister for Land and the Environment), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to provide for the opening and closing of public roads and for related matters and moved –

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

**Papers:**

Mr I F Buffett tabled the Bill and the Explanatory Memorandum to the Bill

Debate ensued

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

**14 TREES AMENDMENT BILL 2002**

Mr I Buffett (Minister for Land and the Environment), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Trees Act 1997 and moved –

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

**Papers:**

Mr I F Buffett tabled the Bill and the Explanatory Memorandum to the Bill

Debate ensued

**The Speaker resumed the Chair at 3.19 pm**

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

**15 LAND ADMINISTRATION FEES AMENDMENT BILL 2002**

Mr I Buffett (Minister for Land and the Environment), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Land Administration Fees Amendment Bill 2002 and moved –

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

**Papers:**

Mr I F Buffett tabled the Bill and the Explanatory Memorandum to the Bill

Debate ensued

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

**16 LAND TITLES AMENDMENT BILL 2002**

Mr I Buffett (Minister for Land and the Environment), pursuant to notice, presented a Bill for an Act to amend the Land Titles Act 1996 and moved –

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

**Papers:**

Mr I F Buffett tabled the Bill and the Explanatory Memorandum to the Bill

Debate ensued

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

**17 FIXING OF THE NEXT SITTING DAY**

Mrs Jack moved –

**THAT the House at its rising adjourn until Wednesday 15 May 2002 at 10 am**

Question put and agreed to on the voices

**18 ADJOURNMENT**

Ms Nicholas moved –

**THAT the House do now adjourn**

Debate ensued with Mr Smith (Minister for Community Services and Tourism), Mr Nobbs and Mr I. Buffett (Minister for Lands and the Environment) participating

Question put and agreed to on the voices

**AND THEN the House at 3.28 pm adjourned until Wednesday 15 May 2002 at 10 am**

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

**Members Present:** All Members were present