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MINUTES OF THE 13TH MEETING OF THE THIRTEENTH ANGUILLA EXECUTIVE COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 5TH JUNE 2025 AT 9.00 AM

PRESENT: Her Excellency the Governor, Ms. Julia Crouch

The Honourable Premier and Minister of Finance, Labour, Immigration, Home Affairs and Constitutional Affairs AND Acting Minister of Health, Tourism and Sports, Mrs. Cora Richardson-Hodge

The Honourable Deputy Governor, Mr. Perin Bradley

The Honourable Minister of Economic Development, Industry, Commerce, Lands, Planning, Water and Natural Resources, Mr. Kyle Hodge

The Honourable Minister of Social Development, Education & Library, Youth and Culture, Mrs. Shellya Rogers-Webster

The Honourable Minister of Infrastructure, Communications, Utilities, Housing, IT and E-Government Services, Mr. Jose Vanterpool

Clerk to Executive Council, Ms. Dumisa Webster

ABSENT: The Honourable Minister of Health, Tourism and Sports, Mr.

Cardigan Connor

Acting Attorney General, Mr. Ivor Greene

IN ATTENDANCE: The Honourable Parliamentary Secretary, Mr. Cordell Richardson

Ministerial Advisor for Health, Mr. Evans McNiel Rogers

Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture, Mr. Jeison Bryan

Head of the Governor's Office. Mr. Orlando Ames-Lewis

EX MIN 25/118 CONFIRMATION OF THE MINUTES

The Honourable Parliamentary Secretary, Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture, and Head of Governors Office remained.

Council confirmed the minutes of the 12th Meeting of the Executive Council held on Thursday, 29th May 2025.

MATTERS ARISING OUT OF THE MINUTES

None.

EX MIN 25/119

EX MEMO 25/94 Appointment of Spanish-Speaking Community Liaison Officer

The Honourable Parliamentary Secretary, Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture, and Head of Governor's Office remained.

The Honourable Premier and Minister of Home Affairs briefed Council on the proposal to appoint Mr. Harvey Richardson as the Spanish-Speaking Community Liaison Officer. It was noted that Mr. Harvey is a native Spanish speaker and member of the community.

Executive Council approved the appointment of Mr. Harvey Richardson as Spanish-Speaking Community Liaison Officer in the Ministry of Home Affairs with effect from 5th June 2025 at an annual remuneration of EC\$75,600.00 (i.e. EC\$6,300.00 a month) consistent with established precedent.

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

Action: PAS, FIN; PS, FIN, HON PREM.

EX MIN 25/120

EX MEMO 25/95 Appointment of Sherpa/Special Adviser

The Honourable Parliamentary Secretary, Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture, and Head of Governor's Office remained.

The Honourable Premier and Minister of Finance briefed Council on the proposal for the appointment of Mr. Fritz Smith as Sherpa/ Special Adviser to the Premier.

Executive Council:

- 1. Approved the appointment of Mr. Fritz Smith as Sherpa and Special Adviser to the Premier for the remainder of the current administration effective 5th June 2025; and
- 2. Noted that this appointment is honorary in nature, carries no remuneration or financial implications, and does not constitute an office of emolument in the service of the Crown.

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

Action: PAS, FIN; PS, FIN; HON PREM.

EX MIN 25/121

EX MEMO 25/96 Removal of GST on Public Entertainment

The Honourable Parliamentary Secretary, Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture, and Head of Governor's Office remained.

The Honourable Premier and Minister of Finance briefed Council on the proposal for the removal of Goods and Services Tax ("GST") on all public entertainment events including concerts, sporting events, theatrical performances, and similar public shows effective 14th July 2025.

Executive Council:

- Approved the policy to remove Goods and Services Tax on all public entertainment events (cultural and commercial) from 14th July 2025; and
- 2. Instructed the Attorney General Chambers to prepare to completion the necessary legislative amendments by 14th June 2025.

Action: PAS, FIN; PS, FIN; HON AG; HON PREM.

EX MIN 25/122

EX MEMO 25/97 Approval to Accept Donated Playground Equipment from Four Seasons Resort for Alwyn Allison Richardson Primary School (AARPS)

The Honourable Parliamentary Secretary, Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture, and Head of Governor's Office remained.

The Honourable Minister of Social Development and Education briefed Council on the memorandum which seeks approval for the acceptance of the donation of playground equipment by the Four Seasons Resort. Additionally, approval is requested for the installation of the playground at the Alwyn Allison Richardson Primary School by the Four Seasons Resort which has received technical endorsement from the Ministry of Infrastructure.

Executive Council:

- 1. Approved the acceptance of the donation of playground equipment by Four Seasons Resort; and
- 2. Authorised the installation of the playground equipment as listed in point 1. above at the Alwyn Allison Richardson Primary School.

Action: PS, MSDE; HON MIN, MSDE.

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EX MIN 25/125 Legislative Agenda

The Honourable Parliamentary Secretary, Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture, and Head of Governor's Office remained.

Ms. Dawne Richardson, Chief Parliamentary Counsel joined the meeting.

The Chief Parliamentary Counsel briefed Council on the process by which legislative agendas are finalised. It was noted that the current legislative agenda will be circulated to Executive Council for their review.

Action: EXCO CLK; EXCO MEMBERS.

ORAL MENTION

EX MIN 25/126 Update on the Police Marine Unit

The Honourable Parliamentary Secretary, Senior Ministerial Advisor for Health, Ministerial Assistant for Sports, Youth & Culture, and Head of Governor's Office remained.

It was noted that two boats are being donated by the government of the British Virgin Islands. It was also noted that the Marine Unit within the Royal Anguilla Police Force has been re-established.

Action: EXCO CLK; EXCO MEMBERS.
