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Report on the 18th May 2017 Island School Council meeting

Changes in School Council membership

Following elections the membership of Island School Council has changed as follows:

| | Members leaving | New Council |
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| Council Chairman | | Robert Gibson |
| Community - Vice Chair | | Denise Kee |
| Community | | Cecilia Chan |
| Community | | Michael Lok |
| Teaching | | Beth Hall |
| Teaching | Kevin Lester | Kate Sommerville |
| Teaching | Andrea Walsh | Ross Burrough |
| Parent | Sonali Laul | Alefiyah Ebrahim |
| Parent | | Lakshmi Jacota |
| Parent | Viv Lonergan | Christine Meaney |
| Support Staff | | Rebecca Yip |
| ESF CEO rep | | John Stewart |
| Principal | | Chris Binge |
| Student | Noa Horowitz | Karen Ng |
| Student | Rushabh Bohra | Dylan Ngan |
| In addition [] and [] are alternate student members. | | |

The Council thanked the retiring members for the service and welcomed the new members.

Island School's next Principal

Mr Stephen Loggie joined Island School as Principal Designate on 15th May and attended the School Council meeting as an observer.

Relocating Island School while rebuilding takes place

Work continues on arrangements for the school relocating to the Tai Wai area at the end of December 2017 when there is a three week break.

On 26th May the Council Building Committee was given a presentation of plans for the new school building at Borrett Road. Excellent work has been done on the driveway under the school for loading buses. This saves construction cost and time. It also improves the path through the centre of the school. There are minor but significant adverse impacts on the size of sports facilities which the architects are working to minimise.

Student numbers

The school currently has fewer pupils than budgeted and this thus recording a deficit. It is expected to return to full strength once the school has decanted. The ESF is fully aware of the position and has confirmed it will cover the deficit.

Quest week

Students overseas trips during Quest Week are a key part of the Island School educational experience. While approving the trips for October 2017 the Council has noted the high cost of many of the trips and asked that planning for 2018 considers whether the proportion of middle to lower cost trips can be increased without lowering the value of the experience for the students.

J Robert Gibson; Island School Council Chair