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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
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