



## PARLIAMENT OF THE COOK ISLANDS

### FORTY NINTH SESSION – THIRD MEETING 2021

#### Journal [DAY SIX]

- Constitution Article 38**
- (1) There shall be a Clerk of Parliament
  - (2) The Clerk shall keep a record of the proceedings of Parliament and shall transmit a copy of those records to the [Queen's Representative] as soon as practicable.

**Standing Order 64 Order of Business – PART XVII** (a) Formal Entry of Speaker; (b) Prayers; (c) Swearing in of new Members (order 32); (d) Messages from the Queen's Representative (Order 84); Other announcements by the Speaker; (f) Obituary; (g) Statements by Ministers (Part XXIII); (j) Presentation of Bills (Order 219); (k) Presentation of Papers (Order 72); (l) Presentation of Petitions (Order 78); (m) Orders of the Day (Order 70); (n) Consideration of Papers (Orders 74); (o) Motions with notice (Order 105); (p) By leave of the Speaker (Alteration of the Order of Business); (q) Closing prayers.

### WEDNESDAY 16 JUNE, 2021

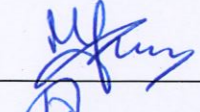
64 (a)	Formal entry of Speaker	Hon. T. Tura
(b)	Prayers	Rev. Oirua Rasmussen
(d)	Message from the Queen's Representative (Order 84)	Constitution Amendment (No. 29)
(e)	Other announcements by the Speaker	1. Acknowledgement to Anchor Atiau, from MOC for his loyal and competent service to Parliament. His last day working for Parliament, acknowledgement also to Minister of Culture, G. Angene, HoM for MOC, Anthony Turua the and Ministry as a whole.
(f)	Obituary	Nil

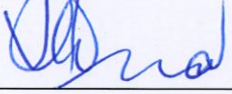
(g)	Statement by Ministers (Order 87)	Nil
(h)	Personal explanations (Order 90)	Nil
(i)	Questions to Ministers and other members (Part XXIII)	<p>1. MP T. Tuavera question to PM, Hon. M. Brown – Due to the high level of security, has the PM employed a National Security Advisor, where is he today? Is he in your office or are you going to bring in a Bill to strengthen the position?</p> <p><b>Response:</b> Minister M. Brown, National Security Adviser has been employed who is the former Police Commissioner (referring to M. Tetava). A new agency will not be set up, the National Security Advisor’s role is to act as the liason to each of the Government agencies.</p> <p>2. MP T. Tuavera question to PM, Hon. M. Brown – will you welcome the latest security system sort after by all the military powers in the world and all the agencies in Rarotonga to be the first to activate this kryptonite that we have readily available to the Cook Islands?</p> <p><b>Response:</b> PM, Hon. M. Brown, so far, we are not yet a world power and that I am not sure about what this system is that you are referring to that the top world powers are utilizing for protection among themselves. Perhaps you can enlighten us at another time about what this system.</p> <p>3. MP S. Napa question to Minister, R. T. Brown – Te Marae Ora made a recent media release regarding a vaccination certificate as well as a vaccination card which you have to pay. This is for</p>

		<p>your travels overseas. Can you clarify this media release?</p> <p><b>Response:</b> Minister R. T. Brown, these are recommendations only which is yet to go to Cabinet for approval. This is not a compulsory requirement but optional and it may cost \$50.</p> <p>4. Supplementary question by MP S. Napa to Hon. R. Toki-Brown – since our people are losing their vaccination cards, can TMO consider stamping the Passports instead?</p> <p><b>Response:</b> Nil</p> <p>5. Hon. T. Pupuke Browne question to Minister of Finance, Hon. M. Brown – can the Minister of Finance elaborate on wage subsidy? Book 1, page 10, Wage Subsidy is shown as 54.8%, that is 54.8% of \$69.5 million and that works out to \$38 million. Table 2.2 on the following page 11, shows Wage Subsidy as \$52.7 million, there is a difference of about 14.7. Where do we find the 14.7?</p> <p><b>Response:</b> Minister M. Brown, the difference is that Table 2.2 is exclusive of the Economic Recovery Roadmap amount that we will prove in this Budget. The Pie Chart for Table 10, these are what that has actually been spent.</p> <p><b>Question Time Expired</b></p>
(j)	Presentation of Bills (Order 219)	Nil
(k)	Presentation of Papers (Order 72)	Paper No. 105 – The Annual Report by Public Service Commissioner for

		year ended 30 <sup>th</sup> June 2020 – Honourable Minister Mark Brown.
(l)	Presentation of Petitions (Order 78)	Nil
(m)	Orders of the Day (Order 70)	Interrupted debate on the second reading of the Appropriation Bill 2021.
(n)	Consideration of Papers (Order 74)	Nil
(o)	Motions with notice for the adjournment of Parliament other than (1) above (Order 105)	Nil
(p)	By leave of the Speaker the order of business set out in the Order Paper may be altered on any particular day	Nil
(q)	Closing Prayer	Hon. P. Arioka
	Meeting adjourned at 4.55 p.m.	
	<p>Members present:</p> <p>Government:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Hon. M. Brown</li> <li>2. Hon. R. Tapaitau</li> <li>3. Hon. V. Mokoroa</li> <li>4. Hon. R. Toki-Brown</li> <li>5. Hon. P. Arioka</li> <li>6. Hon. G. Angene</li> <li>7. Mr T. Elikana</li> <li>8. Mr A. Nicholas</li> <li>9. Ms T. Brown</li> <li>10. Mr T. Maki Kavana</li> <li>11. Mr T. Tangatapoto</li> <li>12. Mrs A. Puna</li> </ol> <p>Opposition:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>13. Hon. T. Pupuke Browne</li> <li>14. Mr W. Heather</li> <li>15. Mr T. Maoate</li> <li>16. Mrs S. Napa</li> <li>17. Mr V. Tupa</li> <li>18. Mr T. Tuavera</li> <li>19. Mr N. Baker</li> <li>20. Mr M. Kitai</li> <li>21. Mrs T. Matapo</li> <li>22. Mr M. Kitai</li> </ol>	

	23. Mrs A. Armstrong	

Signature: Clerk  Date: 16 / 06 / 2021.

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