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# LORD HOWE ISLAND BOARD

## Business Paper

### OPEN SESSION

#### ITEM

Transfer of Perpetual Lease – W and G Thompson

#### RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board seek the Minister's approval to the transfer of perpetual lease 1963/03 by way of gift from William Frederick Thompson and Geoffrey Spurling Chase Thompson as tenants in common to Geoffrey Spurling Chase Thompson as sole tenant.

#### BACKGROUND

An application has been received for consent to transfer perpetual Lease 1963/03 by way of gift from William Thompson and Geoffrey Thompson as tenants in common to Geoffrey Thompson as sole tenant.

Section 23 of the Lord Howe Island Act, 1953 provides that the Minister, on recommendation of the Board, may consent to the transfer of a lease to two or more persons as joint tenants, and that where the proposed transferees are not Islanders within the meaning of the Act the Board shall not recommend consent unless satisfied that there is no Islander who desires and is in a position to take the transfer. Section 23 further provides that in the case of a transfer to a person other than an Islander, the approval of the Governor is required.

#### COMMENT

Geoffrey Thompson is the son of William Thompson and is an Islander within the meaning of the Act. The lease is not subject to mortgage and there are no other encumbrances registered on the title.

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