

[Legal Notice No. 58]

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ORDINANCE
(Cap. 14)

THE EASTERN ISLANDS COUNCIL (VILLAGE BUILDING)
BYE-LAWS 1976

IN exercise of the powers conferred by section 50 of the Local Government Ordinance, the Eastern Islands Council in pursuance of a resolution dated the 19th day of August 1975 hereby makes the following bye-laws:-

1. These bye-laws may be cited as the Eastern Islands Council (Village Building) Bye-laws 1976.

2. In these bye-laws -

Interpretation.

"Council" means the Eastern Islands Council;

"habitable room" means any room used or designed to be used for human occupation or habitation, but does not include a canoe house.

3. These bye-laws shall apply to the entire area of authority of the Application Council.

4. Any building constructed and any alterations to existing buildings effected after the date of the coming into operation of these bye-laws shall conform to the specifications specified in these bye-laws.

Buildings and alterations to conform to bye-laws.

5. The floor area of every habitable room shall not be less than sixty-four square feet.

Minimum area of habitable room.

6. Each habitable room shall either have its highest point at least twelve feet above the floor or have every wall at least seven feet six inches high.

Height of room.

7. Each habitable room shall be provided with a doorway of an area not less than fourteen square feet.

Area of doorway.

- Area of windows. 8. In addition to doorways, each habitable room shall have natural direct ventilation to the open air and the openings for this purpose shall be at least one-twelfth of the floor area of the room.
- Floor to be raised. 9. (1) The floors of every habitable room shall be at least four inches above the level of the surrounding ground.
- (2) Where any existing habitable room fails to conform to paragraph (1) the owner or occupier thereof shall raise the floor level thereof to at least four inches above the level of the surrounding ground within two months of the date of the coming into operation of these bye-laws.
- Distance of latrines from habitable rooms. 10. There shall be a distance of at least thirty feet between any room containing a latrine, other than a latrine served by water borne sanitation and any habitable room. Provided that this bye-law shall not apply where a latrine is situated over salt water.
- Offence and penalty. 11. Any person who contravenes or fails to comply with these bye-laws shall be guilty of an offence and liable to a fine of ten dollars or in default of payment to imprisonment for one month.

Made under the common seal of the Eastern Islands Council at Santa Cruz this 4th day of September 1975.

M. BONUNGA
President of the Council

Approved by the Minister this 16th day of June 1976.

J. FIFI
Minister of Home Affairs

Published and exhibited at the office of the Eastern Islands Council this twelfth day of July 1976.

P. SMILEY
Clerk to the Eastern Islands Council