

Paroisse de Saint Sauveur
Minutes of the Douzaine Meeting held in the Lihou Room at the Community Centre at
7.00pm on Monday 28th November 2016

Present	<p>Messrs J Brache (JB), D Bertrand (DB), A Courtney (AC), P Duquemin (PD), R de Garis (RdG), Mrs A Foley (AF), Mrs K Fooks (KF), Miss M Macdonald (MM), Messrs J Jorgenson-Lesbirel (JL), M Tanguy (MT), K de la Mare (KdM), and A Tempest (AT), (Senior Constable – presiding). Mr G Chapman (GC), Parish Secretary was present to record the minutes.</p> <p>Mr N Le Poidevin (NLP), new Junior Constable for 2017 was present to observe proceedings and AT introduced NLP to the Douzaine.</p>	
Apologies	Messrs M de Garis (MdG) and E Higgins (EH).	
Waste Strategy	<p>Messrs J Anderson (JA) and R Evans (RE) from the States Trading Assets Department attended the meeting to give a presentation to the Douzaine concerning the future waste strategy.</p> <p>RE confirmed that 40% of all household residual waste is made up of food waste. Although almost 48% of the total amount of waste is currently recycled there is scope for improvement by changing islanders' behaviour through incentives and rewards. Kerbside collection of recyclable waste is popular and it is intended that this scheme will continue beyond the end of 2017. Supermarkets are starting to provide space for the collection of recyclable household batteries.</p> <p>However, there will inevitably be residual waste and the States has decided that this will be exported and that the infrastructure for collection, sorting and the preparation of waste for export will be put in place at Longue Hougue. Export will involve palletisation of refuse derived fuel and this will be transported on lorries – 4 to 5 daily – through the roll on roll off (Ro-Ro) facilities at St Peter Port Harbour.</p> <p>JL asked why the waste is to be exported via St Peter Port requiring additional travel distances than if it was exported from the closer St Sampson's Harbour these journeys could be avoided.</p> <p>JA explained that the waste will be on lorries via the Ro-Ro and the only ramps available for this are in St Peter Port.</p> <p>It is intended that food waste will also be collected at the kerbside (some 4,000 tonnes annually) and this will also be taken off island and processed through an anerobic digester. Some 2500 tonnes of recycled glass is collected annually and this is currently being stockpiled but it is hoped that a significant part of this will be used by the construction industry when there is an upturn in activity.</p> <p>RE explained that various contracts for the export of waste were explored, including Jersey. Jersey proved to be some £500,000 - £ 1 million more expensive and there were other difficulties to overcome had Jersey been the preferred option. In the end a contact was agreed with Geminor (UK). Geminor have different energy from waste sites throughout Europe and they have decided to use one in Sweden for Guernsey's waste. Exports are planned to commence in the last quarter of 2018.</p> <p>RF explained that the likely charges to householders for the collection and processing of waste would include a parish collection charge, a standing charge and a charge per bag of waste collected. It is not intended that the kerbside collection of recyclable waste will be charged per bag – this will continue to be free to householders.</p>	

	<p>AT said that the figure he had heard of £7 per week per household would be a significant increase which would increase the parish refuse rates from £131k to over £400k annually.</p> <p>RE said that the parishes refuse rates would only be responsible for the collection service. Separate charges would apply depending on the amount of waste disposed of and £7 per week was an average cost per household.</p> <p>JA said that it has been accepted by the States that the new arrangements would include significant increases in costs but that it is no longer acceptable to land fill waste and the island has to accept that a more environmentally friendly system must be implemented.</p> <p>DB said that he considered £7 per week per household to be a realistic amount to pay for the collection and disposal of waste.</p> <p>JB asked if the 'bring banks' would continue to be available.</p> <p>RE confirmed that it was the intention to retain bring banks but that the number of sites would more than likely be reduced.</p> <p>MM asked if the recycling figure for Guernsey was correct because she had heard several different figures quoted.</p> <p>RE said that the 48% was accurate for Guernsey. Other jurisdictions had different recycling rates – Wales for example has 60%. The management of Guernsey Recycling at Pointes Lane calculated that approximately 85% of the waste that is processed by them is recycled but 48% of the total waste generated by Guernsey residents is being recycled.</p> <p>Future direction and policy should be debated by the States early in 2017, hopefully in February.</p> <p>The presentation concluded at 7.55pm and AT thanked RE and JA for updating the Douzaine.</p>	
Billet d'Etat	There was no discussion of the Billet - the States' Deputy did not attend the meeting.	
Minutes of Meeting held on 24 th October 2016.	The minutes were agreed without alteration and signed by AT.	
Matters Arising.	<p>Advice from the Data Protection Office.</p> <p>AT reminded members that he had requested advice from the Data Protection Office following the disclosure of details of the lease between the Constables and SSCC to a third party. The advice is that it is not covered under data protection legislation because it does not contain personal data relating to living individuals.</p> <p>St Saviour's Tunnels – Quotes for repairs to dividing steel barriers.</p> <p>AT advised the Douzaine that following agreement (at the October meeting) to replace the steel barrier that is showing signs of structural failure, he has obtained 3 quotes for replacements. AT has visited the tunnels on several occasions since the annual inspection (8th October) to show prospective tenderers the work required. During these visits AT has noticed that there has been a partial collapse of the steel structure dividing the tunnels at the point where parish ownership ceases.</p> <p>The Douzaine confirmed that the Constables should engage contractors to build a concrete block dividing wall since this was the lowest quote.</p> <p>AT confirmed that he had spoken to the neighbouring landowner and he was keen for the partition to be replaced as soon as possible and has also agreed that contactors can have access to the tunnel's entrance area for the duration of the work. The landowner has also agreed that materials can be lowered to the site entrance from the roadway (by</p>	

	<p>Hiab).</p> <p>AT advised that the amelioration account has £662.66 (current account) and £7,905.21 (deposit account) – a total of £8,567.87, reminding the Douzaine that it had been suggested at the last meeting that the cost of replacing the partition should be paid from these funds.</p> <p>RdG proposed (seconded by JLL) that the cost of replacing the partition with a block wall should be paid by the amelioration account.</p> <p>Flooding in Lower St Saviour.</p> <p>AT reminded the Douzaine of problems between La Grande Rue and Rue des Crabbes during periods of heavy rain. Not only does the stream get blocked but when water reaches the culvert under Rue des Crabbes it appears to be the case that one small pipe is expected to cope with water from two pipes of a similar diameter. When the one smaller pipe cannot take all of the water it comes up through road grilles and becomes a flood risk to adjacent properties.</p> <p>AT confirmed that the tenant who uses the field closest to La Grande Rue has recently cleaned the stream (and will check it regularly) and PD confirmed that the next field towards Rue des Crabbes has also had the dourt cleaned.</p> <p>A request was made to Guernsey Water (early in 2016) for an improvement to this situation, but there has been no response. It was agreed that the Constables should write again to Guernsey Water highlighting the problem.</p> <p>Refuse Disposal Costs – Update.</p> <p>AT said that he contacted all parishes to advise them that St Saviour had identified discrepancies with the refuse disposal figures and written to States Works Department (SWD) asking that the trucks should be weighed in and out on every occasion.</p> <p>AT advised that the manager at SWD who is dealing with the matter has been on holiday for much of November. AT expects that issues will be resolved early in December.</p> <p>Christmas Lights.</p> <p>AT reminded Douzeniers that approval was given early in 2016 for the purchase of Christmas lights. He asked when they would be put in place. AC said that he would be at the Community Centre at 10am on Saturday 3rd December if others could join him. Several Douzeniers confirmed that they would attend to assist.</p>	<p>AT/KdIM</p> <p>AT/KdIM</p> <p>AT/KdIM</p>
Environment Department	The Douzaine requested the Constables to obtain copies of 2 planning applications.	AT/KdIM
Bank Accounts	<p>AT reminded the Douzaine that the authorised signatories on the various bank accounts are the two Constables, the Parish Secretary and DB (a member of the Finance Subcommittee). DB was added as a safeguard when a previous Constable became unwell.</p> <p>Normally the new Constable for 2017 (NLP) should replace AT. DB proposed that NLP should be added as a signatory (seconded by MM) and this was agreed.</p>	AT/KdIM/ NLP
Rules of Procedure	<p>AT said that the Douzaine's Rules of Procedure have been updated to reflect changes agreed previously by the Douzaine and to correct a few typing errors. The revisions have previously been circulated by email.</p> <p>MT said that he could see no reason why the changes should not be agreed and proposed (seconded by KF) that the revised document should be adopted by the Douzaine. The proposal was carried.</p>	AT/KdIM
Cemetery Committee	<p>New Member.</p> <p>KF said that Mr D Smith has asked to retire (after 16 years' service) from</p>	

	<p>the Committee. The Committee are proposing that Mr P Harris should take Mr Smith's place. The Douzaine approved the appointment.</p>	
Floral St Saviour	<p>AC said that he had previously circulated the Floral St Saviour accounts for the period 1st October 2015 until 30th September 2016 and invited questions concerning them. There were no questions or comments and the accounts were agreed.</p> <p>MM commented that the volunteers had achieved a very high standard during 2016 and complemented them on their efforts, a view endorsed by others.</p> <p>AC reminded the Douzaine that RdG had recently advised the Douzaine that he would be standing down from the Floral Subcommittee and that he himself (AC) would not be involved from 1st January 2017. This would leave only MM on the committee.</p> <p>JB asked if the Floral Subcommittee was an official subcommittee of the Douzaine because he did not recall it being set up as one.</p> <p>PD said that it matters not what happened at the beginning, the 2013 Parochial Administration Ordinance makes it clear that all bank accounts held in the Constables' name have to be part of the annual scrutiny of parish accounts and as such are the responsibility of the Douzaine and Constables. The Floral St Saviours bank account is in the name of the Constables and did form part of the scrutiny of the 2015 parish accounts. Consequently, it follows that the Floral Subcommittee must be an official Douzaine Committee.</p> <p>JJL and KF both agreed that the Douzaine should be responsible.</p> <p>JJL asked if anyone could think of a person (not necessarily a parish official) who might be prepared to take on the role of co-ordinator.</p> <p>AC said that although the parish has entered the floral competition this was not compulsory, - Floral Guernsey would still make a grant available – although reduced – of approximately £1,250. He suggested that if volunteers could not be found perhaps a contractor should be engaged (provisional costings suggest £2,700 annually) to attend to the plantings at the Rectory and Church and that the Community Centre gardens should become the responsibility of the Centre management.</p> <p>It was agreed that this matter required some thought and should be discussed further at the December meeting.</p> <p>AF proposed a vote of thanks for both AC and RdG for the time and effort they have contributed over the last 7 years.</p> <p>RdG thanked AF, adding that AC was the driving force and deserved a great deal of thanks for his work.</p>	AT/KdIM
Guernsey Douzaine Council	<p>MM reported on the meeting held on 14th November 2016.</p> <p><u>Japanese Knotweed.</u></p> <p>The States now have a person in post (on a temporary basis) to co-ordinate the mapping of sites where this plant is to be found.</p> <p><u>Complaints Procedure.</u></p> <p>The Douzaine Liaison Group is preparing procedures to be followed should there be a complaint against a parish official.</p> <p><u>Waste Collection Strategy.</u></p> <p>The information gained was similar to that as described in the first item of these minutes.</p> <p><u>Nuisance Parking.</u></p> <p>This is becoming a problem in more urban parishes and there appears to be little that the Constables can do about it. Guernsey Police do not seem to be interested in the 'problem'.</p> <p><u>St Peter Port Christmas Lights.</u></p> <p>These are costing the parishioners of St Peter Port a significant sum</p>	

	<p>annually, something they are not prepared to continue to underwrite. St Peter Port Constables are looking at other ways to fund the lights.</p>	
Correspondence	<p>Perelle Slipway. AT has received notification from the Agriculture and Land Management Services (ALMS) that there was a complaint that the storm boards were not removed promptly after the recent stormy weather and that shingle and sand had once again been tipped towards the top of the slipway making access to the beach difficult. ALMS has contacted SWD to ask for the matters to be addressed. It was agreed that the Constables should also write to SWD highlighting the matter. AC said that as a resident of the area he considers that SWD generally do an excellent job in defending the area from the sea in stormy conditions but agreed that they need to tip the shingle collected at a lower level to allow access to the slipway.</p> <p>Motor Speed Event – Le Neuf Chemin, Saturday 17th June 2017. AT reminded the Douzaine that the June 2016 meeting had agreed to a request from the Kart and Motor Club, that a motor speed event could be held at Le Neuf Chemin on Saturday 17th June 2017, subject to the Club’s Officials confirming that properties along the route did not have any reasonable objection to the date (in 2015 the date had to be changed because a resident had planned a marquee wedding reception in a field along the route for the date originally proposed). The Club has confirmed that they have contacted 2 of the 3 properties involved and there are no events planned. The third property has been visited on 3 occasions by Club Officials without being able to contact the householder. The Douzaine agreed that the date should be confirmed with the Club subject to the final household not having reasonable objections. The Constables will write to the Club accordingly and also to the 3 residents advising them of the date for the event.</p> <p>Streams. AT said that he has to write to the Streams Inspector so that a report can be given to the Chief Pleas in December. He asked Canton Members to confirm that all streams are clear and free flowing. No problem streams were highlighted.</p> <p>Christmas Disbursements. AT confirmed that the Lions Club has provided £580 for needy parishioners this Christmas and he anticipated a further £600 would be forthcoming from a Trust Fund. It was agreed that the funds would be distributed by JB, MdG, AT and KdIM in due course.</p>	<p>AT/KdIM</p> <p>AT/KdIM</p> <p>AT/KdIM</p> <p>AT/KdIM/ JB/MdG</p>
Any Other Business	<p>Rectory Kitchen. RdG confirmed that the repairs to the structure of the kitchen have been completed but as yet he has not received an account from the builders. The kitchen units (supplied and fitted by the Church) are almost complete with only the ‘kick boards’ to be fitted.</p> <p>Douzaine Photograph. JB said that the photograph could be taken on Saturday 10th December 2016. However, several members are unavailable that day and it was agreed that it should be held over until the new year.</p> <p>La Houquette School Representative. MM asked what the position was with electing a representative for La Houquette School Committee. AT said that nominations close at 4pm on Thursday 1st December 2016 and the election is scheduled for 7pm on Monday 12th December. Currently there are 2 nominations, Mrs T Charmley and JLL.</p>	<p>JB</p>

	<p>Rue du Mont Saint – Parking. JL highlighted that parking of cars in Rue du Mont Saint during the day was causing a nuisance to residents. AT said that it is a public road and if there is any issue with traffic causing a nuisance it should be referred to Guernsey Police. AC said that he did not consider this to be a problem. MT said that there were 2 nearby properties undergoing renovations at present and that he understood that the builders working on these projects were those parking in Rue du Mont Saint. As a nearby resident himself, he believed that it was something people accepted and since it was during the day it caused little inconvenience to nearby residents. If JL considers the parking is causing a traffic hazard he suggested that Guernsey Police should be notified.</p> <p>Defibrillator. JL asked if the recently installed defibrillator had been mentioned in the Guernsey Press. AT confirmed that the matter is in hand and that, together with all of the other sites with defibrillators, it will soon be a feature in the Press.</p> <p>Firework Display for November 5th 2017. JL suggested that the Douzaine should host a bonfire and firework display at the Community Centre in 2017. KF said that La Houquette School has held such a display for many years and as a fundraiser for the School it was likely to be the case that any competition from the Parish would not be welcome. There was no support for this suggestion.</p>	
	<p>There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.15pm</p>	
	<p>The next meeting is to be held at the Douzaine Room at 7.00pm on Monday 12th December 2016.</p>	