

Paroisse de Saint Sauveur
Minutes of the Douzaine Meeting held in the Lihou Room at the Community Centre at
7.00pm on Monday 22nd October 2018

Present	<p>Messrs K Ball (KB), D Bertrand (DB), J Brache (JB), Mrs C Connolly (CC), Messrs M de Garis (MdG), R de Garis (RdG), Mrs K Fooks (KF), Messrs S Gibbs (SG), J Gillson (JG), P Harris (PH), J Norman(JN) and N Le Poidevin (NLP) (Senior Constable – presiding).</p> <p>Mr G Chapman (GC), Parish Secretary was present to record the minutes.</p>	
Apologies	Messrs P Connolly (PC) and J Liddy (JL).	
	NLP welcomed Mr K Ball to his first meeting as a newly elected Douzenier.	
Billet D’Etat	There was no discussion about forthcoming States’ business since Deputy E Yerby failed to attend the meeting.	
Minutes of meeting held on 24 th September 2018	The minutes were agreed without amendment and signed by NLP.	
Matters Arising	<p>Waste Strategy</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Missed Collections.</u> NLP said that the Constables had received 2 calls about missed refuse collections. The Contractor was quick to attend at the addresses concerned to collect the refuse and explained that both residents and his employees are still getting used to the new routes and times of collection. NLP said that there were still very few complaints considering the new arrangements have now been in place for about 7 weeks. • <u>Problems with food and glass containers.</u> NLP has asked the contractor to ensure that his employees replace these containers in the location they were when collected. He has agreed that this should be the norm (as per the contract). There is concern that the containers will be blown along roadways etc (after they have been emptied) in times of high winds, but this is something that Guernsey Waste (GW) are aware of and will be monitoring closely. • <u>Enforcement/Delegation of Duties to GW.</u> GW have asked that those parishes wishing to delegate responsibilities for these functions do so formally. GW will advise on the procedure after the States have agreed the relevant legislation (GW anticipate that this will be at the end of October). SG asked the Constables to establish what GW anticipate the annual cost for these functions will be. • <u>Waste Strategy Meeting on 19th November.</u> SG and NLP will represent the parish at this meeting. <i>The meeting was subsequently cancelled.</i> <p>Hedges and Streams.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <u>Hedges.</u> DB and MdG commented that the hedges within their Cantons were maintained better than they could remember and reported no problems at all. • <u>Streams.</u> All Cantons confirmed that there were no major problems with the streams. JB will confirm about Les Rouvets and Les Jenemies before the end of October. 	<p style="text-align: right;">NLP/PC</p> <p style="text-align: right;">JB</p>

	<p>Douzaine to discuss their proposals for parochial governance. JN said that he understood (from news reports) that Deputy Ferbrache and 2 others had today resigned from the Association. It was agreed not to respond to the letter unless another invitation was forthcoming from current members of the Association.</p> <p>Courtill Reveaux – Visit to the new Guernsey Housing Association (GHA) Development.</p> <p>NLP said that he has received an invitation from the GHA that will allow parish officials to view the first social housing to have been built in the parish for many years. The visit will be on a Friday at 4.00pm. Several Douzeniers expressed a wish to visit so the Constables will arrange.</p> <p>Tunnels under St Saviour’s Church – Boundary Wall.</p> <p>NLP said that he has received a letter from an Advocate’s office claiming that the Constables had approved the building of a boundary wall within the tunnel complex on land that was not owned by the parish and without the relevant permissions.</p> <p>NLP reminded the Douzaine that the wall was built when, in October 2016, the integrity of the former (steel) boundary structure was found to be failing. The new wall was built in the same place as the steel structure had been located. The Constables have written confirmation that planning permission was not required and have the necessary building permission.</p> <p>It was agreed that the Constables should reply by outlining the position and not get involved in lengthy correspondence.</p> <p>Referendum on October 10th 2018.</p> <p>NLP read a letter from the States’ Assembly and Constitution Committee (SACC) expressing thanks for the contribution made by parish officials to the smooth running of the polling station in St Saviour.</p> <p><u>Preferential Voting.</u></p> <p>KF said that she had attended the count on 11th October 2018 and formed the view that many people had not fully understood the implications of preferential voting.</p> <p>Some 2,500 people had voted for option B with no preferred second choice. Had these people, who were clearly opposed to island wide voting, expressed option C as a second choice, then that option (C) and not A – Island Wide Voting, would have been the choice with most votes. KF said that she believed that many people had not fully understood the implications of the voting system and agreed to write to SACC to outline her concerns.</p>	<p>NLP/PC</p> <p>NLP/PC</p> <p>KF</p>
Canton Memberships	It was agreed that JL would become a member of Les Prevosts Canton and that KB would join Les Rouvets Canton	
Any Other Business	<p>Tunnels under St Saviour’s Parish Church – Annual Inspection.</p> <p>NLP reminded the Douzaine that the annual inspection of the tunnels normally takes place in October each year. It was agreed that the Constables should seek to arrange the inspection for 2.00pm on Saturday 3rd November 2018, and any parish official wishing to view the tunnels is welcome to attend.</p> <p>St Saviour’s Rectory – Boundary Wall.</p> <p>NLP said that he has been made aware that there is concern about the integrity of the wall that is the boundary between the Rectory garden and adjacent pavement. The architects who are currently carrying out the quinquennial inspection have highlighted this as a potential problem. It was agreed that the Constables should establish (from the Architects) what their recommended solution would be and start the process of</p>	

	<p>obtaining planning permission and quotations for the work required. It was agreed that the cost would have to be included in the 2019 remede.</p> <p>St Saviour's Community Centre (SSCC) Trustees, - Annual Update?</p> <p>NLP reminded the Douzaine that it was August 2017 when the Trustees last met with the Douzaine (Property Committee) and that there has been no update since. When Mr P Duquemin was a Douzenier (he is also a Trustee) there were regular updates (there should be an annual update). It was agreed to invite the Chair of the Trustees (Mr D Farrimond) to attend the November Douzaine Meeting to give the Douzaine an update concerning the Community Centre.</p> <p>Guernsey Douzaine Council (GDC).</p> <p>NLP reminded the Douzaine that KF has previously advised that the GDC has been suspended until the meeting scheduled for 12th November, and at that meeting the decision will be taken as to whether the GDC should be suspended indefinitely.</p> <p>Deputy S Langlois has sent an email asking all Douzaines to confirm their decision.</p> <p>MdG and KF expressed the view that there was no longer a need for the GDC with the regular meetings (every 4 months) of the Douzaine Liaison Group (DLG) fully performing the necessary functions.</p> <p>The Douzaine agreed that the GDC should be indefinitely suspended.</p>	<p>NLP/PC</p> <p>NLP/KF</p>
<p>Any Other Business</p>	<p>Absence.</p> <p>RdG offered his apologies for the November meeting since he will be away from the island.</p> <p>Identity Cards for Parish Officials.</p> <p>KF suggested that it would be beneficial for Parish Officials to have identity cards when conducting parish business.</p> <p>It was agreed that this would be of benefit and the Constables were asked to arrange for these to be prepared.</p> <p>Planning Decisions.</p> <p>JN asked if the Planning Department ever communicated their decisions to the Douzaine, especially for applications that the Douzaine raises concerns about.</p> <p>It was explained that the Department do not do so but that their decisions are publically available on the States' website. The Secretary does keep a note of applications that the Douzaine has concerns about and does check the website from time to time.</p> <p>KF said that at a recent DLG meeting the Planning Department offered to meet with Parish Officials to explain the way planning applications are dealt with so that parish officials properly understand the process.</p> <p>It was agreed that such a meeting would be of benefit and the Constables were asked to arrange a mutually convenient date with the Planning Department.</p>	<p>NLP/PC</p> <p>NLP/PC</p>
	<p>There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.50pm</p>	
	<p>The next meeting is to be held at the Douzaine Room at 7.00pm on Monday 26th November 2018.</p>	