

Paroisse de Saint Sauveur  
Minutes of the Douzaine Meeting held in the Lihou Room at the Community Centre at  
7.00pm on Monday 28<sup>th</sup> January 2019

Present	<p>Messrs K Ball (KB), D Bertrand (DB), J Brache (JB), R de Garis (RdG), Mrs K Fooks (KF), Messrs S Gibbs (SG), J Gillson (JG), P Harris (PH), J Liddy (JL), J Norman (JN), P Connolly (PC) and N Le Poidevin (NLP) (Senior Constable – presiding).</p> <p>Mr G Chapman (GC), Parish Secretary was present to record the minutes.</p>	
Apologies	Mrs C Connolly (CC) and Mr M de Garis (MdG)	
Billet D’Etat	<p>Deputy a Dudley-Owen attended the meeting to discuss forthcoming States’ business.</p> <p><b><u>Alderney Airport Runway Extension.</u></b></p> <p>ADO advised the Douzaine that although the proposal to rehabilitate the Alderney Runway would cost in the region of £12 million (according to Policy &amp; Resources (P&amp;R) some £4k per Alderney resident) she would be supporting the proposal.</p> <p>ADO said that she could foresee a standoff between Alderney and P&amp;R – P&amp;R are proposing a new ferry service to connect to Alderney – but ADO considers the runway proposals to be the only sensible option as this will give Alderney the confidence it needs to go forward, adding the ferry option, currently being proposed by P&amp;R, has no indication of costs, - Will the harbour in Alderney need major refurbishment?</p> <p>DB and RdG said that they supported the runway proposals, - it was not appropriate to make Alderney stand on its own and the Alderney tax take is limited.</p> <p>ADO suggested that the ‘locate Guernsey’ efforts should be extended to encourage wealthy individuals to consider Alderney if they are considering relocating.</p> <p>KF said that it will always be the case that flights to Alderney will be limited, but it is essential to have adequate runway facilities.</p> <p>SG asked if it was not the role of P&amp;R to play ‘devil’s advocate’ and perhaps they were intending to widen the debate about transport links to Alderney.</p> <p>PH asked if helicopter connectivity to Alderney had been considered because such services would not require a costly extension to the runway.</p> <p><b><u>In Work Poverty Review.</u></b></p> <p>ADO asked ‘what is poverty’, adding that it was a very subjective matter. ADO does not consider that the failure to afford a foreign holiday on an annual basis is reason to be classed as living in poverty, adding that individual family circumstances, eg a couple starting a family, might require some belt tightening but does not necessarily mean that the young family will be living in poverty.</p> <p>However, ADO raised the matter of young families struggling to pay Doctor’s fees as a matter for concern.</p> <p>JN suggested that the Guernsey Competition and Regulatory Authority (GCRA) should consider why all General Practitioners fees are so similar.</p> <p>SG said that he was aware that General Practitioners costs have risen in recent years and he doubts that they are making as much money as some would have you to believe.</p>	

	<p>ADO said that she would like to see a system that targeted assistance to those who needed it, often at different phases of their lives, and hoped that technology would assist with this, adding that she has no problem with means testing benefits so that those in need can be helped as opposed to giving a benefit to everyone. This would allow the limited funds to help those in need to a greater extent.</p> <p><b><u>Bailiwick of Guernsey Law Enforcement.</u></b></p> <p>ADO said that she considers the intention to debate the report from HM Inspectorate of Constabulary into Bailiwick Law Enforcement as a baton to beat the Home Affairs Committee with. Whilst there is always room for Departments to improve ADO considers the debate pointless and hopes that it will be brief.</p> <p>There were no comments from parish officials.</p> <p><b><u>Sharing Data with UK Authorities.</u></b></p> <p>ADO said that she has been impressed with the work Guernsey Civil Servants have done in preparation for the effects on Guernsey of the UK leaving the European Union and that she believes that it has future proofed Guernsey.</p> <p><b><u>Guernsey Airport – Use of rifle to cull wild birds.</u></b></p> <p>ADO asked the Douzaine their view about the Guernsey Airport Management’s intention to seek permission to use a high powered rifle to cull wild birds in order to reduce the likelihood of a ‘bird strike’ on aircraft. NLP said that he had talked to the Airport management and been assured that it would be an absolute last resort and that if the use of a rifle prevented an aircraft accident it’s use would be justified, adding that he had been assured that any use would be shooting inwards from the airport perimeter – no shots would be taken if there was the potential for bullets to leave the confines of the Airport.</p> <p>JN said that the Douzaine had previously discussed the matter and on balance it was preferable to an aircraft coming down causing fatalities, and that he accepted the assurance that it would be used as a last resort when all other methods have failed.</p> <p>ADO said that she understands that the primary cause for concern are buzzards, and she believes that taking eggs from known nesting sites, the use of predators (such as a falcon) or the use of an appropriately trained dog would be options that are not currently employed.</p> <p>KF said that from the information, publically available, it appeared that gun users do not agree and are contradicting each other as to the suitability of the rifle as a deterrent.</p> <p>NLP thanked ADO for attending before she left at 7.30pm.</p>	
Minutes of meeting held on 10 <sup>th</sup> December 2018	The minutes were agreed without amendment and signed by NLP.	
Matters Arising	<p><b><u>Identity Cards.</u></b></p> <p>NLP advised the Douzaine that the information necessary to produce the cards was sent on 13<sup>th</sup> December but despite several requests the company that had agreed to produce the cards, has not given any indication to the Constables about when they might be ready.</p> <p>JG suggested that the States of Guernsey might be able to provide the cards.</p> <p>It was agreed that PC should investigate this possibility and if the States are able to provide this service they should be requested to do so and the original order cancelled.</p>	PC

Parish Rates	<p>NLP reminded the Douzaine that the matter of parish ratios for the new domestic and commercial categories need to be agreed before the 2019 parish rates are finalised. This matter was briefly discussed at the November 2018 meeting but deferred until January.</p> <p>The Douzaine confirmed that domestic categories B1.1.5, and B2.1.5 and B2.2.5 should have the parish ratio of 1 applied and that commercial category B6.4, should have the parish ratio of 3.5.</p> <p>This ensures that the new categories have the same parish ratios applied as they did in their respective 'old categories' as applied in previous years.</p>	
Waste Strategy	<p><b>Meeting with Waste Disposal Authority (WDA) and Contractors.</b> NLP advised that the next waste strategy meeting is on 18<sup>th</sup> February and SG and PC agreed to attend.</p> <p><b>New Residual Waste Charges.</b> NLP reminded the Douzaine that per bag charges for residual waste would commence from the first collection in February.</p> <p><b>Notification to Householders concerning the collection of Waste.</b> NLP said that Part I, Section 6 of the 2015 Waste Law requires the Douzaine to publish times and days that waste will be collected and the consequences of failing to put rubbish at the roadside collection points at the appropriate times.</p> <p>The Constables are recommending that a notice should be published in La Gazette early in February and also permanently on the Douzaine page of the parish website.</p> <p>The Constables' recommendation was supported by the Douzaine.</p>	<p>SG/PC</p> <p>NLP/PC</p>
St Saviour's Community Centre (SSCC) – Property Survey	<p><b>Property Survey.</b> NLP pointed out that the Douzaine (together with the Church Property Management Board) has responsibility for the maintenance of all parish properties. The Church, Rectory and Church Hall each have a property survey report compiled once every five years which allows the Douzaine to identify and prioritise any necessary maintenance. The buildings that comprise the St Saviour's Community Centre (owned by the parish and leased to SSCC) are not subject to a regular property survey and the Constables consider that they should be. NLP said that he has received a quote (from the same firm that surveys other parish owned buildings) for £2,900 (not to include the redundant pool building) and asked if the Douzaine would authorise this expenditure.</p> <p>RdG said that he was fully supportive of the idea.</p> <p>KF commented that prior to the buildings becoming fully owned by the parish the States were responsible for the building and it is 'common knowledge' that very little maintenance was done.</p> <p>DB said that (as a result of erecting the Christmas lights) he is aware that the 'flashing' on the flat roof is a cause for concern and that there are slates missing from the pitched roof.</p> <p>JB said that the cost was the reason that he could not support the idea of a survey at the present time.</p> <p>JN supported a survey being carried out adding that surveyor's skills are necessary to establish exactly what maintenance is necessary.</p> <p>JN proposed (seconded by KF) that the Constables arrange for a property survey to be carried out for the sum of £2,900.</p> <p>Nine members voted in favour and one against.</p> <p><b>Funding.</b> It was agreed that the cost should be budgeted for in the 2019 Remede, and if this was not agreed by the parish the cost should be met from the sale proceeds of the former Douzaine Room at La Grande Rue.</p>	

<p>Planning Department</p>	<p><b>Annual Monitoring of the 2016 Island Development Plan.</b>  The Douzaine has been asked, by the Development and Planning Authority, (DPA) to comment on the annual monitoring report (2017) of the Island Development Plan 2016. The report had previously been circulated to members.  SG had prepared a summary of recommendations (attached to these minutes) and all of these were supported by the Douzaine.  The Constables will reply to the DPA once they have liaised with the SSCC management on the matter.  Planning Applications.  There were no requests to obtain copies of any applications.</p>	<p>NLP/PC</p>
<p>Sub Committees</p>	<p><b>Finance Committee – Terms of Reference.</b>  The terms of reference for this Committee had been circulated previously.  DB outlined areas where he would like to see some changes and these were supported by the Douzaine. DB agreed to draft these changes for confirmation at the February Douzaine meeting.  <b>Finance Committee – Members.</b>  It was agreed that members would be RdG, MdG, DB, SG, JL and both Constables.  <b>Property Committee – Terms of Reference.</b>  The terms of reference for this Committee had been circulated previously, and there was no suggestion for any change.  <b>Property Committee – Members.</b>  It was agreed that members would be RdG, JB, MdG, CC and both Constables.  <b>Planning Committee.</b>  The December 2018 Douzaine meeting had briefly discussed whether it was necessary to establish a Planning Sub-Committee.  JN said that he believed that such a committee, with a greater understanding of the Island Development Plan (to give advice and guidance to Douzeniers) was necessary.  JB said that he did not wish to see decisions taken away from the Canton members.  SG said he supported the idea of a committee because it would help to ensure that decisions are consistent, adding that he would like to see the committee having one member from each Canton.  It was agreed to form a Planning Sub-Committee.  <b>Planning Committee – Terms of Reference.</b>  NLP circulated a draft document (prepared by SG) detailing terms of reference for the Planning Sub Committee.  PH said that he would like to see it as an advisory committee and that the terms should reflect this.  SG agreed to amend the document for confirmation at the February meeting.  <b>Planning Committee – Members.</b>  It was agreed that members would be SG, JN, JG, and PH and one Constable.  <b>Floral St Saviour – Members.</b>  It was agreed that members would be Mrs E Pirouet-Douglas and PH.  <b>Waste Sub Committee – Members.</b>  It was agreed that members would be JB, DB, SG and one Constable.  <b>Sea Defences and Flooding – Members.</b>  It was agreed that members would be SG, JN, PH and one Constable.  KF said that she is aware that Castel Douzeniers carry out regular</p>	<p>DB</p> <p>SG</p>

	<p>inspections of the sea walls in their parish and asked whether St Saviour should do similarly.  JN said that he saw no reason to formalise such inspections, as he and PH live close to Perelle and they see the sea wall regularly and will report any faults immediately.</p> <p><b>Cemetery Committee – Members.</b>  It was agreed that members would be RdG, KF, PH, Mrs A Foley and Mr V Renier.</p> <p><b>Moorings Committee – Members.</b>  It was agreed that members would be Messrs M de Garis, N Vine, D Albin and both Constables.</p> <p><b>Montebourg Society.</b>  It was agreed that the Douzaine representative on this society would be RdG.</p> <p><b>Church Property Management Board – Members.</b>  It was agreed that Douzaine representatives on this Board would be RdG and KF.</p> <p><b>Data Protection Officer.</b>  It was agreed that PH would be the Douzaine’s Data Protection Officer.</p>	
Canton Memberships	<p>It was agreed that the memberships of the various Cantons would be:-</p> <p><b>Les Jenemies</b> – JB (Senior), CC and JN.  <b>Les Prevosts</b> – RdG (Senior), JG and JL.  <b>Le Gron</b> – MdG (Senior), DB and KF.  <b>Les Rouvets</b> – SG (Senior), PH and KB.</p>	
Douzaine Liaison Group, Douzaine Council Representative.	<p>It was agreed that KF would be the St Saviour’s representative on these two groups. If KF is unable to attend any meeting she will seek to arrange a reserve.  KF confirmed that she would attend the next meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> February.</p>	KF
Guernsey Douzaine Council	<p>KF reported that she had attended a meeting of all parish representatives to discuss whether or not the Guernsey Douzaine Council should continue.  KF believed that the meeting she attended (on 14<sup>th</sup> January) was very productive and her recommendation to the Douzaine is that St Saviour should be part of this organisation in future years.  The Douzaine confirmed that this should be the case and KF agreed to confirm this decision directly with other parishes.</p>	KF
General Election	<p>NLP advised the Douzaine that RdG would be attending a meeting on 31<sup>st</sup> January to discuss arrangements for the 2020 General Election.  The Douzaine confirmed that St Saviour would be prepared to provide one polling station (as for the 2018 referendum) at the Community Centre.  PH suggested that the priority for the organisers should be to encourage the electorate to vote from home, whether that be postal voting or electronic voting because of the time it will take at polling stations for each voter to make 38 selections.</p>	RdG
Correspondence	<p><b>Heg Veg’ Stall at Les Buttes.</b>  NLP reported that he had received an email from a parishioner asking if the Constables had given permission for a ‘heg veg’ stall to be installed on parish land at Les Buttes. No such permission has been granted and NLP said (because he does not know the owner of the stall) he would place a letter in the cash box (at the stall) instructing that the stall should be removed and that if it is not removed before 8<sup>th</sup> February the constables will make arrangements for it to be removed.</p>	

	<p>The Douzaine agreed that the Constables should proceed in this way.</p> <p><b>Motor Speed Event at Le Neuf Chemin, - 29<sup>th</sup> June 2019.</b></p> <p>NLP said that the Guernsey Kart and Motor Club (GKMC) had emailed to request the Douzaine's permission to hold a motor speed event at Le Neuf Chemin on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> June 2019.</p> <p>NLP also reported that he has been made aware that at least one resident along the route of the event does not want the event to take place.</p> <p>JB said that the event is only for 1 day and it has been held every 2 years since 2013. The organisers are very aware of the needs of residents and have always been professional in their organising of the event. He can see no reason for the Douzaine to object to an event in 2019.</p> <p>RdG supported the comments made by JB.</p> <p>The Douzaine agreed that they could find no reason to object to the event being held.</p> <p>The Constables will communicate the decision to the Kart Club and the resident who has communicated with the Constables.</p>	NLP/PC
Any Other Business	<p><b>Slipway at Route de La Marette – closest to Fort Richmond.</b></p> <p>NLP has had an enquiry asking if anyone knows the name of this slipway.</p> <p>No-one could shed any light on the name but will ask anyone they think might be able to assist.</p> <p><b>Courtil Reveaux, - Open Day.</b></p> <p>NLP passed on an invitation (from the Guernsey Housing Association) to Douzeniers to attend an open morning to view the now completed housing development at Courtil Reveaux (9.30am on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> February).</p> <p><b>Pothole at Les Frances.</b></p> <p>RdG reported that the pothole at Les Frances has not yet been repaired.</p> <p>NLP said that the Constables will contact the Highway Department again.</p> <p><b>Wi-Fi at SSCC</b></p> <p>JN asked if anything could be done to improve the quality of the wi-fi.</p> <p>NLP will pass on the request to SSCC management.</p>	NLP/PC
	There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.10pm	
	The next meeting is to be held at the Douzaine Room at 7.00pm on Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> February 2019.	