

Paroisse de Saint Sauveur  
Minutes of the Douzaine Meeting held in the Douzaine Room at the Community  
Centre on Monday 24<sup>th</sup> May 2021 at 7.00 pm

Present	<p>Messrs D Bertrand (DB), J Brache (JB), R de Garis (RdG), Mrs K Fooks (KF), Messrs S Gibbs (SG), J Gillson (JG), Mrs P Kennedy (PK), Messrs J Norman (JN), Mrs L Norman (LN), Ms S Watson (SW), Messrs P Connolly (PC), and N Le Poidevin (NLP) (Constable – presiding).</p> <p>Mr G Chapman (GC), Parish Secretary was present to record the minutes.</p>	
Apologies	Mr P Harris (PH)	
St Saviour's Community Centre (SSCC) Trustees	<p>At the April meeting the Douzaine had agreed that Mrs A Vine should become a Trustee and Mrs Vine was in attendance to introduce herself to the Douzaine.</p> <p>Mr R Murray, Chair of the Trustees then gave the Douzaine an annual report covering most areas of the Centre's operations, but the accounts for 2020 had only been available for a day or so and RM suggested that the Trustees should attend the June Douzaine meeting to provide a financial report.</p> <p>The Douzaine was satisfied with the report.</p> <p>The Trustees left the meeting at 7.30pm.</p>	NLP/PC
Minutes of Meeting held on 26 <sup>th</sup> April 2021	The minutes were agreed and signed by the Constable.	
Matters Arising	<p><b>Parish Secretary.</b></p> <p>NLP reported that the person that had previously indicated a willingness to take on the role of parish secretary from October 2021 has withdrawn that interest, citing as a reason that combined with another role elsewhere, the total weekly commitment was more than was desired. Consequently, the position will be advertised in the Guernsey Press and on Facebook.</p>	
Financial Matters	<p><b>Natwest EQ.</b></p> <p>Enquiries had been made with Natwest International concerning the implementation of an electronic form of banking (EQ) which would allow for 2 persons authoring payments.</p> <p>Whilst it is considered desirable, the Constables are happy to continue with payment by cheques until a new secretary is appointed – this person to commence in October. At that point EQ will be introduced.</p> <p><b>Skipton International Savings Accounts.</b></p> <p>As agreed at the April meeting, the Constables have made enquires with Skipton International concerning opening savings accounts. The Constables have liaised with SG concerning the matter, with SG recommending that the funds currently held in the Natwest Deposit Account should be placed in a Skipton Corporate Easy Saver Account paying (currently) 0.35% interest. This money would be easily accessible. The funds currently held in the Natwest Reserve Account should be placed in a Skipton International 90 Day Notice Account paying (currently) 0.6% interest.</p>	NLP/PC

	<p>SG said that doing so would provide the parish with about £1k in interest annually whereas with the Natwest accounts annual interest amounts to between £20 and £30.</p> <p>It would be in the best interests of St Saviours parishioners to open these two accounts.</p> <p>DB proposed (seconded by KF) that the two accounts, as recommended by SG should be opened and that signatories should be both Constables (NLP and PC) together with the Parish Secretary (GC). Any transfer or withdrawal of funds would require written instruction to Skipton International with two of the three signatories required on any such instruction.</p> <p>This proposal was passed unanimously.</p>	NLP/PC
Guernsey Rally 2022	<p>KF reported that PH and herself had attended a meeting held by the Guernsey Rally Committee to learn about proposals for a rally in 2022. Four parishes did not send representatives to the meeting. Mr M Brockway (Traffic &amp; Highways Services (T&amp;H)) was also at the meeting. The Rally Committee explained that it was their intention to seek approval for a rally to be held in 2022, but that they were not sure what route(s) would be proposed.</p> <p>Mr Brockway indicated that the States has approved that one rally could be held each year and that it was the responsibility of his Department to give final approval.</p> <p>It is recognised that some parishioners will object to the rally taking place but T&amp;H do not recognise objections unless there is some substantial reason to object rather than simply 'objecting'. T &amp; H is looking for Douzaine input to indicate if a proposed rally route is passing areas where it is known that livestock are regularly kept -something that might not be known to T&amp;H. This sort of information would be useful in determining whether a proposed route should, in fact, be given approval.</p>	
Motor Sprint Event, 19 <sup>th</sup> June 2021.	<p>NLP said that the Constables have received a request from the Kart and Motor Club (on 17<sup>th</sup> May) for Douzaine support for a motor speed event at Le Neuf Chemin on 19<sup>th</sup> June 2021.</p> <p>He had received telephone confirmation (from Club Officials) that they had contacted all residents likely to be affected by the proposed event and that only one person had objected. This person indicated that they objected every time 'as a matter of principle'.</p> <p>The club has come to an arrangement with the management of SSCC to use the lower part of the Centre's car parking facilities for competitor's vehicles.</p> <p>The Douzaine considered that there were no grounds to object to the proposal to hold the event, especially since it had been held previously without incident.</p>	NLP/PC
Rectory/Church Hall	<p>Following Deputy Trott's attendance at the March Douzaine meeting, when concerns were raised about the equity of St Saviours ratepayers continuing to provide financial support to the Church of England by the provision and maintenance of the Rectory/Church Hall, Deputy Trott has contacted Deputy Le Tocq.</p> <p>Solutions suggested included; -</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. to phase in market rate rental charges for incumbents,</li> <li>2. to offer a negotiated sale of the properties to the Church.</li> <li>3. To gift the property to the Church.</li> </ol>	

