

Paroisse de Saint Sauveur
Minutes of the Douzaine Meeting held in the Douzaine Room at the Community
Centre on Monday 23rd October 2023 at 7pm

Present	<p>Messrs K Bales (KB), J Brache (JB), DV Carey (DVC), R de Garis (RdG), R Murray (RM), J Norman (JN) and Mrs S Watson (SW), Mr P Connolly (PC) (Constable presiding and Douzenier) and Mr. J Gillson (JG) (Constable and Douzenier).</p> <p>Ms M Scott (MS), Parish Secretary was present to record the minutes.</p>	
Apologies	Mr S Gibbs (SG) and Mrs K Fooks (KF)	
Minutes of Meeting held on 25 th September 2023	The minutes were agreed and signed by the Constable.	
Matters Arising	<p>Hedges and Streams Inspections</p> <p>JN advised that he had never had so many calls in relation to the hedge inspections. JN had been unavailable for the inspection, but this had not been communicated to the office and his name had been stated as the contact on the letter. He advised that he had visited several houses in the canton where the owner had received a letter stating that attention was required to their hedge which he listed but upon visiting these properties he was unable to see where the hedges required attention. He felt that in his opinion that the inspections were not carried out using commonsense.</p> <p>Mr Norman then resigned as douzenier and left the meeting.</p> <p>JG advised that he had attended the hedge inspection in his role as Constable and the other two members of the Canton agreed that they were content with the letters sent out.</p> <p>Elections</p> <p>PC advised that date for elections was 1st November. It was noted that nominations had been received for all seats.</p> <p>It was noted that with the resignation of JN an election would have to take place in February or March 2024.</p>	
Charitable Donations	<p>PC advised that we had been contacted by the Lions Club to ask what funds we would require this year. It was agreed that we would request the same as last year.</p> <p>Local charities would be contact over the next few weeks to try and highlight anyone in the parish who is receiving help to ensure that funds are distributed to those most at need.</p>	
Bornement	The Douzaine approved an application for a Bornements at Les Prevosts Road.	

Tunnels Inspection	PC advised that the annual tunnels inspection took place on 18 th October 2023. Everything appeared in order. However, there was graffiti evidence of unauthorised entry and it was noted that the field kitchen which had been there previously had been removed. DVC advised that there was nothing of value left in the tunnels. PC said that he would speak to the landowner who owned the entrance of which we have a right of way over to ensure that access to the entrance was controlled to maintain safety as there was evidence of people entering the tunnels.	
Property Sub-Committee – SSCC Utilities	PC advised that the Property Sub-Committee met recently, and they wished to recommend to the Douzaine that the contribution to utilities as listed in the variation agreement was increased from 5% to 10%. The sub-Committee had suggested that the Directors of the LBG should be invited to the next Douzaine meeting to advise what repairs were required to the Centre over the next 5 years and the proposed costs. Further consideration would then be given if any contribution would be made towards repairs. The Directors had confirmed that they would be available.	
Green Lanes	JG said that he had noticed that there was an inconsistency with the green lanes. It was noticed that some green lanes had signage saying ‘No horses / Bicycles. A parishioner had queried this and asked if it was enforceable. DVC advised that some lanes e.g., the South Cliffs were covered by the Recreation Ordinance, but it was felt that this did not extend to green lanes.	
Outstanding Rates	The outstanding rates amounted to approx £4,000 which was for 10 parishioners.	
Any other business	Pines at Les Buttes The Pines have been inspected (every 18months). Minor works are required to remove dead branches, and this will be undertaken in due course. Remembrance Sunday For information the Royal British legion have dropped the annual service and are encouraging their members to attend the services at their local churches. Therefore, a parish representative will not be required at a separate service. Church Activities RdG advised that the church would be having the following events: Thursday 9 November - Remembrance Afternoon Tea - 3pm Saturday 11 November - Guernsey Welsh Male Voice Choir 2.30pm There being no further business the meeting was closed.	
Next meeting	The next meeting is to be held on Monday 20 th November 2023 and elections would take place on 1 st November. Dates for 2024 meetings had been circulated and approved.	
	The meeting closed at 8.15pm.	

