

Summary of Douzaine Meeting – Monday 25th January 2016

Present: Mr D H Le Moignan (Constable), Mrs J M Tasker (Constable), Mrs C E Goodlass, Mrs K E Jones, Messrs B J Cash, K R Pike, J H Sarre, R H Harding, D Falla, Ms M B McDermott, Messrs, M G G Garrett, J Mooney, Mrs J C Robin, Mrs R Henderson & Mr C Blin.

Apologies were received from: Messrs R R Matthews, N E Forman and Ms D M Sebire..

Welcome

Mr Le Moignan welcomed the new Douzeniers.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes of meeting on the 7th December 2015 were accepted.

Matters arising

Mrs Goodlass reminded all present that the Douzaine dinner was being held this Friday at Les Rocquettes.

Constables' Report to the Douzaine (circulated)

Mr Le Moignan read out his report. Mr Le Moignan also outlined his ideas re. the Queen's 90th Birthday celebrations and asked for any ideas or suggestions be emailed to him.

The Procureur's Report

The Procureur's report had been circulated.

Committee Reports

Amenities Committee – Next meeting on the 9th February.

Waste Committee – Mr Mooney reported on how B&Q export their own surplus packaging and was looking into a new campaign to combat littering and gum.

Christmas Lights Committee – Mr Sarre was obtaining a price to move the lights storage containers from the G4S yard to the new shed at Colbourne Road. Approximately £32K had been raised in the 2015 Christmas Lights campaign. A meeting would be held shortly.

Floral Committee – Mrs Jones and Mrs Tasker were visiting the Britain in Bloom convention in Birmingham on Wednesday.

2016 Waste Charges (Letter from Public Services circulated)

Mr Sarre proposed that the Douzaine should write a further letter to Public Services over their proposal to ship all residual waste through St Peter Port harbour and store up to 40 containers at the harbour for export. This letter could also be an open letter in the Guernsey Press addressed to all Deputies. The Constables agreed to go forward with this. It was also questioned why only one contractor was being put forward to build the waste handling facility at Longue Hougue.

Flag Days for 2016 (list circulated)

This list was approved. The Christmas Lights Committee also requested that their flag day on the 12th Town November be added.

Town Seafont – Douzaine Consultation Results (copy circulated)

11 Douzeniers attended the session held on the 11th January. Mr Falla suggested that the questionnaire used at the session be circulated to those who did not attend to give them the opportunity to express their views. The office would assist with this.

Queens 90th Birthday Celebrations

This was covered in the Constables Report earlier.

Constables and Douzaine Method of Operation.

This item was raised by Ms Sebire, as she wanted to know why St Peter Port operates differently to the other Parishes in the rolls of Constable and Douzenier. Mrs Tasker replied to this and read various excerpts from a book by Darryl Ogier, "The Government and Laws of Guernsey" which clearly outlined the differences.

General Election

Mr Le Moignan asked that Douzeniers try to avoid proposing or seconding candidates as they would not be able to help with the General Election count on the 27th April. As many Douzeniers as possible would be needed to assist. Mr Le Moignan also asked that all Douzeniers encourage Parishoners to get their names added to the Electoral Roll, which was closing on the 29th February.

Any Other Business

Mr Pike – pointed out that there was a large dip in the Tarmac in Smith Street near the Post Office. This has already been passed on to Public Services. Also a badly leaning wall in Rougue Rue that Mr Le Moignan agreed to examine.

Mrs Robin – asked about progress on the plaque commemorating the opening of the refurbished Constables' Office, which was with the sign makers, awaiting a proof, and Mrs Robin suggested that the Douzaine should decide on a date to arrange a special meeting to discuss February and March Billets with the Deputies. The 15th February was agreed and the office would advise all.

The meeting closed at 10.00pm

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J M TASKER

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