



Summary Minutes - Douzaine Meeting Monday 27th January 2020

Present: Mr D H Le Moignan (Constable DLM), Mrs J M Tasker (Constable JT), Mr B J Cash (BC), Mrs J C Robin (JR), Ms M B McDermott (MMD), Mr M G G Garrett (MG), Mrs R Henderson (RH), Messrs A Gabriel (AG), T A C Bush (TB), Mrs Z C C Lihou (ZL), Mrs J B Gallienne (JG), Messrs M R Harris (MH), B J N Nicholls (BN), N E Forman (NF), M A Guilbert (Secretary MAG),

Apologies were received from: Mrs C E Goodlass (Dean CG), Ms D M Sebire (DS), Messrs D Falla (DF), S W Place (SP)

DLM welcomed Mr Nicholls and Mr Forman to the Douzaine and also commiserated on the sad death of Deputy Jan Kuttelwascher.

Declaration of Interest

TB pointed out that his son worked for Submarine.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The minutes were accepted.

Matters arising from minutes

JT had now circulated her report for the Baubigny schools.

Terms of Reference – work on this was progressing by **MMD**'s group. A new Douzaine Booklet was at the proof-reading stage and would be posted on the website in due course.

MAG confirmed that the recent deferred election had cost just over £200 in printing costs and catering. Beau Sejour had not charged for use of a hall.

With the standing down of Mrs Jones from the Amherst and Vauvert School Committee, the question was raised as to whether an election would be held before the April spring parish meeting. The Constables confirmed that this and the election of two Douzeniers would be covered at the parish meeting on the 8th April as the cost of organising a separate meeting was prohibitive. The system of reporting of meetings held by schools' committees was also discussed.

MAG confirmed that all contractors working for the parish were now being asked for a Method Statement and proof of liability insurance.

Constables' Report

A written report was not provided. The Constables confirmed that their activities were as normal including two licence visits.

Seafront Enhancement Area Presentation

A PowerPoint presentation by Mr Damon Hackley and notes by **JT** had been circulated. **RH** commented that in one of the PowerPoint slides, "Retail" appeared as the last item listed, whereas this is one of the most important functions of the town. An assurance was made that these functions were not listed in order of importance.

75th Liberation Day Celebrations

AG gave an update on progress to date on the building of a float for the cavalcade. Bob Falla was providing a truck (the same one as used on the 2015 celebrations). **ZL**, **JG** and **JR** would be assisting with the design of the float and it was thought school children (and adults of course) would be asked to man the float. Two of the painted display boards would be available from the last float, as they are stored in the Candie Road workshop. The working group invited any ideas from the Douzaine, and ideas should be forwarded to **AG**. A donation of £400 would be forthcoming from the Bailiffs office.

The Douzaine is not arranging any events for the 9th of May as this would work against the island-wide events, but we were providing a float for the cavalcade and hosting a Senior Citizens tea party on Sunday 10th May at Les Cotils. Arrangements for this were discussed and it was agreed that all means of media should be used to raise the profile of the event and transport should soon be arranged.

General Election 2020

BC, who is Polling Station Officer for Beau Sejour for 13th, 14th, 16th & 17th June requested two volunteers to act as his deputies. Douzeniers should email **BC** if they are able to help. Volunteers to man the polling station will also be needed. Please ask friends and family and contact the office with names. **JT** and **DS** are PSO's for the Constables' Office and PRCPA where only St Peter Port residents may vote.

Douzaine Council AGM

The AGM will be held on the 10th February. **CG** would be the Douzaine representative but with **DS** as support and **DS** would be asked to attend this meeting in **CG**'s absence. The Douzaine stood by an earlier decision not to support the winding up the Douzaine Council proposed by St Andrew.

Petanque

Following a request by a petanque club to make use of Churchill Avenue (that the Constables declined). **DLM** suggested that the Douzaine provide some petanque areas at the eastern end of Cambridge Park. Four or five pitches could be provided and benches or picnic tables could also be installed. The Douzaine supported this unanimously.

Any Other Business

BC thanked **CG** and **JR** for arranging an enjoyable Douzaine dinner.

MMD advised that the next drop-in was on the 8th February at the normal time of 10.00am until noon. The April drop-in had been moved to the 18th and the May one to the 16th to avoid Liberation Day. Dates for the remainder of the year would be posted on the website.

AG 1) queried if unfilled Douzaine vacancies would be filled at an extra meeting. **DLM** advised that this will happen at the Spring Parish meeting as cost of an additional meeting was prohibitive. 2) asked what format the meetings with Deputies would take after the general election. 3) thought that the Douzaine should make better use of news and media.

ZL asked that we publicise well in advance the Douzaine elections and School Committee election and ensure that all the various dates for nominations opening and closing are well publicised. These key dates would be circulated by the office.

DLM apologised for not circulating information about the Holocaust memorial service at the Harbour that he attended and laid a wreath. He also said that the Douzaine should not need reminding about key events.

The meeting closed at 8.35pm.

Parish Meeting

Wednesday 8th April 7.30pm, Les Cotils Harry Bound Room

D H LE MOIGNAN

J M TASKER

Constables