



## Minutes

### Minutes of the Havre des Pas Improvement Group meeting held on Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> May 2023

<b>1</b>	<b>Welcome and apologies</b> Chair: Deputy Sam Mezec  Present: Deputy Tom Coles, Deputy Beatriz Poree, Deputy David Warr, Deputy Tom Binet, Connor Burgher (Town Centre and Events Manager)  Apologies: Simon Crowcroft, Carmel O'Connor, Lynne Capie, Tom Bunting, Mary Gillen, Sandra Routier and Ric and Andi Mallet.  [Minutes by Elise Wetherall.]	
<b>2</b>	<b>Approval of minutes of the meeting held on 13 April 2023</b>	
	The minutes were hereby approved.	
<b>3</b>	<b>Matters arising</b>	
	None	
<b>4</b>	<b>Update from the Lido (Marcus Calvani)</b>	
	MC confirmed that there has been no progress in getting Jersey Property Holdings (JPH) to sign the retrospective planning application. Tom Binet has been asked to sign on their behalf. MC further confirmed that the decision has been made to allow the current lease to run for the rest of the year to allow the Lido to make it through the current trading season. Next year a steering group will be explored to manage the building. MC explained a request has been made for a community action plan and that the Lido has already been engaging with the Marine Conservation Trust and will be looking into having a plaque instated for Sally Minty-Gravett. MC was excited to announce that Jay Fellows has been appointed as General Manager for the Lido and will be working on engaging more with the community in the future with an aim to being able to open the Lido during the week and to put on more events aimed at residents of the area. MC confirmed that now the toilets have been opened that the kiosk will be up and running from next week. Finally, MC explained that the new arrangement will move away from a fixed rent and instead a percentage of turnover will be paid provided that the money will be ringfence for the Lido to be put back into the building.	
<b>5</b>	<b>Update from Town Centre and Events Manager on the Havre des Pas Seaside Festival</b>	
	The Havre des Pas Seaside Festival will take place on Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> and Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup> September due to the tides and the issue of the Battle of Flowers using all the event infrastructure on the alternative August date. CB explained that the Parish has taken over the management of the festival and hopes to take it back to its roots of being a community beach event. He stressed that any issues with the festival are to be left in the past and we need to focus on moving the event forward. The aim is to ensure that the event is primarily family focused until at least 5-6pm each day.  The plans for this year's festival include reduced pitch fees for stallholders and CB confirmed we already have a lot of interest from vendors, fun fairs rides, 3 stages of music, water polo in the Lido ran by the Jersey Water Polo Association and a raft building competition which is in the process of being secure. He also confirmed that the organisers of the	

	<p>Christmas Tree Maze which was located at the Weighbridge will be building a beach maze. CB explained that there are also plans to run beach games which he envisages will be manned by members of the Havre des Pas Improvement Group. If anyone would like to get involved please contact <a href="mailto:elise.wetherall@sthelier.je">elise.wetherall@sthelier.je</a>.</p> <p>CB confirmed that there will still be an entry fee, but it will be a nominal amount of £2-3 with under 13s free. The fee remains in place to deter certain people from entering the festival just to sit and drink alcohol and cause an issue to those enjoying the festival.</p> <p>In response to some concerns from residents CB emphasised that the Parish has a proven track record of organising successful large public events such as the Fete de St Helier and is confident that the Parish can put on a hugely successful festival for 2023. CB confirmed that the Parish will work with local businesses in the area to ensure that there is minimal disruption to their activities and encouraged anyone with concerns to please get in touch as soon as possible so we can address things before they become problems. He confirmed that the festival boundaries are in the process of being confirmed.</p> <p>CB expressed the aim to improve the communications with both businesses and residents in the area and is working out the radius for free entry but hopes to include everyone affected by the noise/ road closures/ etc.</p> <p>CB confirmed that the previous organiser will still be involved with the event at an operational level only and that all decisions will be made by the Parish.</p> <p>In response to a number of logistical queries CB confirmed that lighting towers could be brought in if considered necessary for safety and that crowd management is taken very seriously with crowd movement assessments forming part of the requirements for an event licence as well as a high level of security personnel and marshals present at the event.</p> <p>CB will come back to address the group again next month once more details have been confirmed. If anyone has any concerns at his point please contact <a href="mailto:connor.burgher@sthelier.je">connor.burgher@sthelier.je</a></p>	
<b>6</b>	<b>Update from IHE (Tom Binet)</b>	
	<p>TB offered the following updates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Team is currently looking at the possibility of making Green Street one-way but TB stressed that it would not be a quick process.</li> <li>• The plans for Sovereign Hire Cars car park has been turned down again. TB confirmed there is a meeting lined up with the traffic management team to see if any provisions can be put in place to get around the issues.</li> <li>• In regard to La Collette, the St Helier Roads Committee has been invited to the site for a tour so they can witness the issues first hand. It was also confirmed that a formal presentation would be given to the group at next months meeting. A planning application for the site will be debated in the states on the 18<sup>th</sup> July.</li> <li>• The plans for South Hill Gardens are looking to be sped up and looked at in the context of the Fort Regent site as a whole.</li> </ul>	
<b>7</b>	<b>Any other business</b>	
	<p>Concerns over a build up of seaweed by the slip were raised. TB explained that if the seaweed build up gets really bad then residents should call IHE who should be able to come and remove it.</p> <p>Residents raised concerns as to why the public does not have access past the large metal gates at La Collette. It was explained that past these gates it becomes an operation site which is unsafe for public access. It was further confirmed that increasing the area</p>	

<p>accessible to the public is being included in the planning application for the future of La Collette.</p> <p>Issues were raised regarding a derelict property on D'Auvergne Lane. Deputy Warr explained that vacant homes should be reported to government for them to review which can be done online with photos. Residents in the group reported that the property was purchased last year.</p> <p>An update on the Neighbourhood Improvement Area was requested to be added to the next agenda. Including plans for planting and greenery, timelines and how residents can get involved.</p>	
<p><b>The next meeting will be held on Thursday 8 June 2023.</b></p>	