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<u>MINUTES OF THE ROADS COMMITTEE MEETING – A - AGENDA</u> <u>HELD IN THE ASSEMBLY ROOM TOWN HALL ON</u> <u>WEDNESDAY, 18 AUGUST 2021 AT 9.30AM</u>	
PRESENT	Constable S Crowcroft (SC) The Very Rev'd M Keirle (MK) Mr B Le Feuvre (BLF) Mr J Baker (JB) Mr T Vibert (TV) Mr K Proctor (KP) Mr B Manning (BM)
IN ATTENDANCE	Mr G Jennings (Procureur du Bien Public) (GJ) Mr S Alves (Head of Infrastructure) (SA) Mr A Sty (Infrastructure Manager) (AS) Mr J Turner (Chief Executive Officer) (JT) Mrs A Sweeney (Parish Secretary) (ASW) Miss E Sheehan (Minutes) (ES)
APOLOGIES	Mr P Pearce (Procureur du Bien Public) (PP)
DECLARATION OF INTEREST	There were no declarations of Interest.
OPEN MEETING	Having been previously circulated, the 'A' Agenda Minutes of the meeting held on 28 July were agreed.
MATTERS ARISING	
145/21 HOSPITAL UPDATE	Previous minute 129/21 refers TV asked if the Constable had received a response to his letter sent to Senator Farnham requesting further details, on traffic management in the area of the proposed new hospital. SC confirmed acknowledgement of the letter and stated no further response was received.
146/21 CRANWORTH APARTMENTS, GIFT OF LAND FOR ROAD WIDENING AND PAVEMENT	SA advised the Committee that the owner of Cranworth Apartments, La Vallée des Vaux has obtained Planning Permission to construct 5 two-bed & 7 three-bed units of accommodation with parking. A condition on the Planning consent is for the owner to gift to the Parish the land for the purposes of constructing a new pavement and widening of the road, which addresses the pinch point at this location and improves safety. The new footpath will be 1100mm wide. Acquiring the land will enable widening of the carriageway by approximately 900mm. Work on site is due to commence at the end of September 2021 and is anticipated to take approx. 45 weeks. The new footpath and widened road would be ready to transfer to the Parish at the latter end of the project. The owners of Cranworth Apartments will cover the cost of footpath construction, road widening and transfer of ownership, including reasonable legal costs. There will be no cost incurred to ratepayers. SA recommends the Committee accept this gift' as it will significantly

	<p>improve road safety. The design and specifications of the widening will be agreed with Parish Officers.</p> <p>If approved by Committee, the next stage will be to take this matter to a Parish Assembly, for approval of the Constable and Procurers du Bien Public to pass contract.</p> <p>The Committee approved unanimously.</p>
<p>147/21 FEEDBACK AND COMMENTS ON THE SOUTHWEST WATERFRONT PRESENTATION</p>	<p>The Jersey Development Company and design partner Gillespies, are working to develop a waterfront for everyone to enjoy. The project is out to consultation with the closing date being 6 August 2021. The design team gave the Roads Committee a presentation on 14 July 2021, when it was agreed the Committee would discuss the proposals on 28 July 2021. At the July meeting, the Committee requested that Parish Officers produce a paper in response to the consultation, for discussion at the Committee meeting on 19th August 2021. The Committee congratulated SA on the report.</p> <p>SC thought the States should be honouring their existing promises to St Helier before commencing on this project. TV agreed that there are many plans for St Helier that are not being undertaken.</p> <p>JB was concerned the tower which is proposed to be placed at the western end of the existing car park, will block the view of Fort Regent and suggested it may be better placed further south within the complex.</p>
<p>148/21 E-SCOOTERS, J. BAKER</p>	<p>JB explained that electric scooter schemes in the UK are being examined by the Government of Jersey to see if the vehicles could be allowed in the Island. He had picked up the following points and wanted the Roads Committees views:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Electric scooters can be rented in more than 30 UK cities under government-backed schemes, including London, Newcastle and Bournemouth. •It is currently illegal to use e-scooters unless on private land. •They are considered an environmentally friendly form of travel, but Jersey authorities have expressed concerns over safety. •Infrastructure minister Kevin Lewis said "an awful lot of work" needs to be undertaken before they can be introduced. • Milton Keynes uses technology to remotely control the scooter's speeds and stop them being ridden in places where they are banned. Brian Matthews from Milton Keynes Council explained the majority of rides lasted only around 15 minutes and travelled a few miles. He said, "Results are starting to indicate that they are replacing car journeys, so surveys suggest that 60% of the use of scooters is replacing short range car journeys". <p>The consensus from the Roads Committee was as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> •The devices prove both dangerous and a public nuisance when used on narrow streets and pavements. •St Helier's streets are too narrow. •An initial trial period would be required, suggest along the Esplanade. •A provisional license and test equivalent to the CBT before going on the road and adequate insurance cover. •Fines for speeding, dangerous driving etc. •Make it compulsory to wear helmets •Introduce a speed limit. • Suggest that both Honorary and SOJP, stop people using them and push for legislation to control them. <p>Some of the Committee have attended a recent presentation from officers of Infrastructure, Housing and Environment (IHE); where it was explained the laws in place are old and do not allow for new technology. IHE would</p>

	<p>like to collaborate with Parish Roads Committees to look at the structure of highway authorities, powers, future proofing of different types of vehicles and the legislated structure; this would cover e-scooters and e-bikes. AS stated, the Committee may be a little early in their discussion, as they will have an opportunity to input into proposed law changes.</p> <p>AS asked, if any Committee members would be interested in being a St Helier representative on the group. JB and BLF were nominated as representatives of the Roads Committee.</p>
149/21 HOSPITAL UPDATE	With the help of JT, SC has lodged an amendment against P80. P80 was the latest proposition from the States, about the money they propose to spend on the new Hospital and the compulsory purchase. The debate is going to the States in October and matter will be discussed again at the September meeting.
PLANNING APPLICATIONS	
150/21 P/2021/0908 LAND TO WEST SEACROFT APARTMENTS,39 GREEN STREET	<p>Construct 1 four-bed dwelling with garage and associated parking to West of Seacroft Apartments with vehicle access off Rope Walk.</p> <p>The Roads Committee approved the draft comments detailed in the planning report dated 18 August (refer to documentation attached)</p>
151/21 P/2021/0669 CYRIL LE MARQUAND HOUSE, THE PARADE, ST HELIER, JE2 3QP	<p>Previous minute 120/21 refers</p> <p>SA informed the Committee that following their comments on 23 June 2021, where they did not support the proposals on the "CleM One Gov application", the applicant has considered Committee's comments and has confirmed the application is to be revised and The Parade (Eastern Arm) will be unchanged. Therefore, the Committees comments relating to these changes have been withdrawn.</p> <p>The applicant further advises that they will only be creating 8 electric vehicle parking spaces for pool cars for staff and there will be no parking for senior staff.</p> <p>The applicant anticipates the majority of visitors to and from the site will not require parking or site drop off-facilities.</p> <p>This office development is to serve as a leading example to sustainable, climate-conscious construction and waste generation, which aligns with the States Assembly approved Carbon Neutral Strategy 2019 and Sustainable Transport Policy 2019, to become carbon neutral by 2030.</p> <p>The applicant is committed to working with the Parish Roads Committee on all relevant aspects of the project and is requesting the Roads Committee consider not objecting the redevelopment of Cyril Le Marquand House.</p> <p>The Committee deferred this item to the A Agenda at September's meeting.</p>
152/21 INFORMATION REPORTS	The Committee had no comment.
153/21 AGREED DECISIONS	<p>The Committee agreed to accept the gift of land from the owner of Cranworth Apartments.</p> <p>The Committee nominated BLF and JB to join the Infrastructure working group to revise the Road Traffic Law.</p> <p>Add Cyril Le Marquand House planning application to September A Agenda for discussion.</p>
NEXT MEETING	The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 22 September 2021 at 9.30am Assembly Room Town Hall.