



PARISH OF ST HELIER



Minutes of the Parish Assembly
Wednesday 9 June 2021 at 7.00 p.m.
Assembly Room, Town Hall

27/21	<p>Welcome & Apologies</p> <p>Apologies: Bernie Manning</p> <p>Deputies in Attendance: Deputy Stephen Ahier, Inna Gardiner, Rob Ward, Mary Le Hegarat</p> <p>Procureurs in Attendance: Peter Pearce and Geraint Jennings</p> <p>The Constable welcomed over one hundred and fifty members of the Assembly who were attending in person or online.</p>
28/21	<p>Following a presentation made to the Assembly on behalf of the Minister responsible for the 'Our Hospital' project, PARISHIONERS are asked to take into consideration and if deemed advisable decide that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Assembly has received the details it requires in respect of vehicular, amenity, cultural and community impact outlined in recital D of the Requête considered at a Parish Assembly on 10 February 2021. 2. The Assembly is satisfied with the merits of creating an access route to the proposed hospital as described in the presentation P02.2021
	<p>Jason Turner, CEO outlined the background to the evenings Assembly, explaining it had been convened at the request of 'Our Hospital Project Team' to respond to the requirements of a Requête brought before the Assembly on 10th February.</p> <p>The Hospital Team gave an hour presentation, focusing on the reasons for a new hospital, the proposed design and layout of the hospital, the access route, parking and amenity space.</p> <p>Olaf Blakely addressed the Assembly by saying he felt the presentation had been a missed opportunity by the hospital team. It focused on a sales pitch for the new hospital, rather than providing details on the road and access route, which parishioners were requesting. The presentation did not reveal any new information and did not address the road issues or the loss of trees and amenity space in the area.</p> <p>Senator Lyndon Farnham advised the Assembly, the team were providing the Assembly with all the information currently available. Further information will become available when a planning application is submitted, which will include details of the road design and landscaping. The intention is not to lose trees, the plan is to put back more than the number being lost, which will improve the environment over time.</p> <p>The Assembly asked a number of questions and expressed concern in relation to the impact on numerous roads, including Kensington Street/Place, Cheapside, Old St Johns Road, Queens Road, Tower Road and Westmount Road. There were fears expressed in relation to the loss of parking, a reduction to the parkland, the loss of an established bowling club and the spoiling of a field and vista, overlooking town. A number of parishioners spoke of emailing or writing to the Hospital Team, but not having received a response. Concerns were expressed that fields off Queens Road, which is already congested, have been earmarked for a large amount of housing in the Island Plan.</p> <p>The Hospital Team were questioned on the lack of a work travel survey and green travel plan, before</p>

deciding to provide a car park with 700 spaces, far more there than the number available at Patriotic Street Car Park. The Assembly posed questions, as to the lack of detailed plans for the road and asked why the minutes of the meeting that decided the location for the new hospital were not made public. There were questions as to why option 7 was chosen when it came with so many problems, when option 6 would have been better. It was questioned whether the States had been misled when making a decision for the hospital, the original proposition agreed by the States was for the compulsory purchase of 3 properties, this number had increased significantly. Questions were also raised about the stability of the cliff face. There were calls from the Assembly to reject the propositions, as there was still a lack of information available.

Senator Lyndon Farnham acknowledged it may have been a bit early to come back to the Assembly, but felt it was important to fulfil the requirements of the Requête. Andrew Scate explained that the Hospital Team were there to listen to parishioners concerns, and that a planning application would be made later in the year, which would clarify the full details and provide an opportunity for the public to submit their comments.

Votes were taken within the Assembly Room for those attending in person and electronically for those joining online. The Constable thanked everyone for their attendance and advised the votes would be counted after the meeting closed; details of the results would be posted on the Parish website at the earliest opportunity.

The votes were counted under the scrutiny of the two Procureurs and Advocate Blakeley.

The outcome of the votes were as follows:

Proposition 1: 11 votes in favour and 165 against

Proposition 2: 10 votes in favour, 165 against and 1 abstention

The date of the next Parish Assembly was confirmed as **Wednesday 30 June 2021 at 7.00 pm**