



## PARISH OF ST HELIER



Minutes	
<b><u>MINUTES OF THE ROADS COMMITTEE MEETING – A- AGENDA</u></b>	
<b><u>HELD IN THE ASSEMBLY ROOM ON</u></b> <b><u>WEDNESDAY, 12<sup>th</sup> JULY 2023 AT 9.30AM</u></b>	
<b>PRESENT</b>	<b>Constable S Crowcroft (SC)</b> <b>Mr Andrew Sugden (Chief Executive Officer) (AS)</b> <b>Mr J Lagadu (JL)</b> <b>Mr T Vibert (TV)</b> <b>Mrs H Hubbell (HH)</b> <b>Mr Bernie Manning (BM)</b> <b>Mr K Proctor (KP)</b>
<b>IN ATTENDANCE</b>	<b>Mr P Pearce (Procureur du Bien Public) (PP)</b> <b>Mr J Baker (Procureur du Bien Public) (JB)</b> <b>Mr A Sty (Infrastructure Manager) (AS)</b> <b>Mr S Alves (Head of Infrastructure) (SA)</b> <b>Mrs A Roberts (Parish Secretary) (AR)</b>
<b>APOLOGIES</b>	<b>The Very Rev'd M Keirle (MK)</b>
<b>DECLARATION OF INTEREST</b>	(JB) declared an interest in the Bollards at La Rue de L'Etau.
<b>OPEN MEETING</b>	Having been previously circulated, the 'A' Agenda Minutes of the meetings held on 07 <sup>th</sup> June 2023 were agreed.
<b>MATTERS ARISING</b>	Discussions focused on declarations of interest and the placing of items by members to the Committee's agenda. Agreed action was the formulation of a policy to provide clarity to members.
<b>75/2023 CHARLES STREET PROPOSED NEW UNLOADING BAY</b>	Previous minutes refer 69/2023  Record in the minutes (BM's) suggestion that restrictions to the unloading bay should also apply on a Sunday.  The reduction of parking provision for new housing developments in St Helier is to be discussed by the States. The Constable will ask that the decision be deferred until a St Helier parking strategy is brought forward.  The Committee agreed to set up a subgroup to consider parking and residents parking zones. The group will produce a parking policy that will be forwarded to the Government, to form part of their parking strategy. Volunteers JL,HH,BM,JB and TV.
<b>76/2023 LA COLLETTE WASTE MANAGEMENT SITE PRESENTATION</b>	Previous minutes refer 67/2023  An extensive environmental impact assessment was only uploaded on the Government website the day before the debate for retrospective planning permission
<b>77/2023 PARADE GARDENS UNEVEN FOOTPATH OPTIONS</b>	Pavements in Parade Gardens are being pushed up by tree roots. As a temporary measure the Parish has placed warning signs in the area to advise of the hazard. The Committee approved the following:  A short-term solution to replace the temporary measures by installing new warning signs. This will not resolve the issue but will highlight to the public the uneven surface. A permanent solution will be explored to avoid the loss of the trees.

	<p>The Committee asked Officers to present by the end of the year, recommendations on how to deal with trees on roads and pavements. It was suggested that in addition to signage the pavement be painted to highlight the tree roots. Officers were asked to explore the solution of gravel around the base of the trees, as can be found in the Royal Square.</p>
<b>78/2023 NEIGHBOURHOOD IMPROVEMENT AREAS UPDATE</b>	<p>In January 2022, the Committee approved 5 "Neighbourhood Improvement Areas" (NIAs) that could benefit from public realm improvements.</p> <p>Meetings are taking place with residents and Deputies and a list of improvements researched and costed. The Committee previously suggested a small area within an NIA be trialed, which could serve as a template for future NIAs. Once funding is secured Poonah and Pomona Roads have been selected to move to the design stage.</p> <p>Havre des Pas has a well-established improvement group. The Parish commissioned a Village Improvement Scheme in 2020 but unfortunately the improvements were not supported by the Infrastructure Minister of the day. The Parish has subsequently commissioned a separate piece of work asking residents to suggest improvements, but to date the only significant investment in the area has been the resurfacing of the promenade with the inclusion of a new raised table pedestrian crossing. Last year following an amendment by the Constable to the Government, the States Assembly agreed extra funding to improve the area, which should commence next year and include restoration of South Hill gardens.</p> <p>Following representations from the residents of Belmont Gardens, the Constable has initiated a further NIA for Belmont Road, to include Belmont Gardens, Museum Street and Providence Street. The Committee is asked to support the addition of the NIA to the others previously approved.</p> <p>The Committee agreed the additional NIA making the following comments:</p> <p>Concerns were raised over the removal of euro bins in Belmont Road. The Constable advised this was requested by those living nearby. Bins have been placed 20 yards away in Museum Street, both sites are being regularly inspected for fly tipping and the solution appears to be working. It is hoped flower beds will be placed where the bins were.</p> <p>The Committee asked Officers to explore underground bins and/or a large central town refuse site, instead of individual bins in numerous streets. It was asked whether NIA plans involve new green space, cycle paths etc. A suggestion was to create a small fund to encourage parishioners to approach the Parish for advice as to what containers can be placed and planted on pavements.</p> <p>Could following the completion of the Philip Street development, consideration be given to a further NIA including Ann Street, Vauxhall Street and Halkett Place.</p>
<b>79/2023 OLD ST JOHNS ROAD - ACCESS TO PREMISES CONSULTATION RESULTS</b>	<p>In January 2022 the Committee approved the trial of a 'No Entry Except for Access to Premises' designation on Old St John's Road (OSJR).</p> <p>Implemented in July 2022, the trial has been successful, improving road safety and creating a quieter street for residents. The Committee is asked to permanently adopt the changes.</p> <p>Roads designated as 'No Entry Except for Access to Premises' are difficult to police. It creates essentially a private road which is cleaned and maintained by the Parish and funded by all St Helier ratepayers, who are no longer permitted to use it.</p>

	<p>Concern was expressed as to why rate payers should subsidise others to live in a private road, these property owners experience an increase in property values. It was requested the changes not be permanently approved until the traffic management system for the new Overdale hospital had been agreed.</p> <p>To ensure the road is not private, bicycles should be permitted to travel on it. Consultation feedback demonstrated a positive impact on safety for children walking to and from school.</p> <p>Signs stating access to residents would make it a through road, but could discourage people using it, without the road being private. New traffic measures in neighbourhoods including planters can reduce traffic and pollution.</p> <p>The Committee concluded that public safety comes first. It is a positive solution if residents' lives are improved by the reduction of rat runs.</p> <p>The Committee voted 5 in favour and 1 against.</p>
<b>80/2023 LA RUE DE L'ETAU UPDATE AND BOLLARD REQUEST</b>	<p>In June 2023 the members requested a progress update.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Speed limit reduction to 20mph Update: Legislation change is anticipated in October 2023, to reduce speed limits throughout the Parish.</li> <li>2. 4 raised islands (speed humps) – 3 incorporating crossings Update: The JDC agreed to fund the raised hump crossing points and currently have traffic engineers reviewing the proposals. The Parish await details of implementation.</li> <li>3. Unloading bays: 1 x new outside Horizon &amp; change of short-stay car parking spaces to an unloading bay, outside Cooper's Café. Update: In 2022 the Committee approved the adoption of the pavement to the front of the Horizon site, which incorporates an unloading bay. The Parish Assembly ratified the proposition in November 2022. On completion of the Horizon site the JDC will transfer the pavement and unloading bay to the Parish, at which time an article 68 will be drafted to change the short-stay parking to a 7 day a week unloading bay. The law changes are subject to Government approval.</li> <li>4. Additional cycle parking outside Cooper's Update: Complete; however, the cycle parking is above the underground car park and not outside Cooper's.</li> <li>5. Additional 5 streetlights on footpaths for a section of La Rue de l'Etau Update: The Committee agreed new street lighting funded by the JDC in April 2023. The additional lighting will be installed in December 2023 with the remaining lights installed in the second quarter of 2024.</li> </ol> <p>Public feedback has called for bollards be placed at Rue De L'etau. The Committee discussed the need and cost of placing bollards in the area.</p> <p>The Committee reached the view that placing numerous bollards may not be the best solution, as they have not resolved traffic issues in Colomberie or Don Street. The Committee requested the Constable raise the matter of automatic number plate recognition (ANPR) with government, as this could be the perfect solution.</p> <p>The Committee agreed as a temporary safety measure to place 5 screw-in bollards on the pavement in front of the planter, to aid pedestrians and to leave sufficient space for prams and wheelchairs.</p>
<b>PLANNING APPLICATIONS</b>	

<b>81/2023 P/2023/0429 CROWN HOUSE, JOURNEAUX STREET, ST HELIER, JE2 3XQ</b>	Convert ground floor office to a 1 one-bed apartment.  The Roads Committee approved the draft comments detailed in the planning report dated 12 <sup>th</sup> July 2023 (refer to documentation attached)
<b>82/2023 P/2023/0442 THE TOWN HOUSE PUB AND RESTAURANT, 57 NEW STREET, ST HELIER, JE2 3RA</b>	Construct second and third floor and change of use of ground and first floors, to create 18 one-bed and 2 two-bed residential units. Retain listed façade and alter vehicular access onto Craig Street.  The Roads Committee approved the draft comments detailed in the planning report dated 12 <sup>th</sup> July 2023 (refer to documentation attached)
<b>83/2023 P/2023/0447 74 HALKEET PLACE, ST HELIER, JE2 4WH</b>	Reduce ground floor commercial space and convert the remaining ground and first floor from office spaces to create 1 one-bed and 4 two-bed residential units. Internal and external alterations to include external amenity space to second floor; fenestration replacements and render with paint finish to South and West elevations.  The Roads Committee approved the draft comments detailed in the planning report dated 12 <sup>th</sup> July 2023 (refer to documentation attached)
<b>84/2023 AGREED DECISIONS</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Approved short-term solution on Parade Garden footpath.</li> <li>• Approved and noted by Officer's to take forward Old St Johns Road</li> <li>• To place temporary bollards at Rue de L'Etau</li> <li>• To explore the possibility of (ANPR)</li> </ul>
<b>NEXT MEETING</b>	The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 09 <sup>th</sup> August 2023.