

**Minutes of a meeting of the Havre des Pas Improvement Group held at 6pm
on Thursday 14 March 2024 at the Lido, Havre des Pas**

Chairman: Sam Mezec (SM)

Present: Simon Crowcroft, David Warr, Tom Coles

Apologies: Beatriz Poree, Andy Jehan, Marcus Calvani, Carmel O'Connor, Malcolm Rey, Sandra Routier, Andi Mallet, Janine Slous, Jason Maindonald, Mary Gillen, Robert and Lyn Viney

Approval of Minutes for 8 February 2024.

It was noted that the date of the next meeting on the previous minutes was incorrect. It was resolved to amend this. The minutes were hereby approved.

Matters arising

SC raised the matter of the Havre des Pas Seaside Festival confirming the dates as 13 and 14 July and an entry fee of £3. SC confirmed he is confident that the Parish will be using reusable plastic cups at all its festivals this year. SC explained that he believes the festival should raise money for Jersey Cheshire Homes as they now use Havre des Pas as their base since moving into the community room at the La Collette low-rise and need funding. Suggestions were made for a large raffle and SC confirmed he was hopeful a pound of every ticket sale could go to the charity. It was agreed that Jersey Cheshire Homes would be the chosen charity for the event this year.

Deputy Warr confirmed that he had submitted a question to the Chief Minister about South Hill Gardens after noticing a Facebook post commenting on the current state of the gardens. It was confirmed the answer was expected to be public on Monday.

SC further confirmed that Tuesday was questions for the Ministers without notice.

Update from the Police

Community officers Alex Guelper, Dave Bowler and Danielle O'Donnell attended the meeting. It was confirmed that the community policing team has had six officers back since January along with some new officers. It was confirmed that St Helier would have at least four community officers and that there should be a regular police presence at the meetings going forward. It was explained that there had been less resources since the major incidents as many officers had been redeployed.

It was confirmed that there had only been a few reports made in the area this year and that the reports had been about antisocial drinking in the shelters. It was further confirmed that a plan for Havre des Pas will be in place by the summer and will include patrols as well as a presence at the Havre des Pas Seaside Festival.

A resident and owner guest accommodation requested that where possible when attending to call outs that the police could park their vehicle somewhere other than the bus stop as it has negative effects on the tourists staying/ dining in the area. It was confirmed that where call outs are non-urgent then a message would be sent to all officers to consider where they are parking but in the case of an emergency, they do not have a choice. Other residents present confirmed that they find the police presence in the area comforting and don't have an issue where they park.

Another issue raised was illegal parking of delivery drivers waiting to pick up takeaways from Saffron which forces wheelchairs users/prams/etc to have to move onto the road. It was confirmed that residents have raised the issue directly with the restaurant owners. Residents were encouraged to report any parking violations to parking control or to call the Parish Wardens who normally patrol up to 10pm on 01534 811866.

Update from I&E

No one from I&E was able to attend the meeting. SC confirmed that plans for Havre des Pas are afoot but that no officers were available to provide an update to the group. He believes that the money

ringfenced for Havre des Pas improvements is still there it is just about finding out how the money will be used. SC hopes an officer will be able to attend the next meeting.

It was raised that the Lido had had a surprise electrical inspection today and is due another one tomorrow. It was confirmed that nothing had been done since the last inspection last month which was due to apparent misunderstandings. SC confirmed this should no longer be an issue and that as part of the new lease Jersey Property Holdings will be doing works to get the Lido ready for the lease which will hopefully include painting the exterior of the building.

The plans for rising sea levels and coastal defences were raised. SC confirmed that the plans have been around for a while and that there is no reason why I&E can't be having these conversations with the public and resolved to invite them to provide an update at the next meeting.

Nomination/ election of representatives for Lido Steering Group

SC confirmed that approval had been received from the minister for the Terms of Reference for the Steering Group. It was confirmed that it had been made clear that Government would hold the power not the Steering Group.

A brief discussion was had regarding nominations for Steering Group members. As there were four nominations to fill four spaces it was resolved to elect the four individuals.

It was hereby resolved to elect the following individuals as members of the Lido Steering Group:

Jade Liron
Gerry Leonard
Richard Le Sueur
Rebecca

It was further resolved to circulate the Terms of Reference after the Meeting and give people until the next meeting to decide to put themselves forward if anyone changed their mind.

It was noted that the group will run for two years. Deputies David Warr and Tom Coles confirmed they had put themselves forward to be part of the group. SC confirmed that a new lease had been drafted and that Jersey Property Holdings had confirmed that they were happy with the new revised lease. SC is confident that the lease, which is for a term of 7 years, will be signed by the end of the month.

Any other business

Richard Le Sueur explained how the delays to works at South Hill Gardens is due to bad asbestos and heritage restrictions. He confirmed that asbestos can be contained and built over and that he believes that there are always other views to heritage and that planning officers should take a smarter approach to applications and consider what people want today.

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 11 April at 6pm at the Lido, Havre des Pas