



Minutes

MINUTES OF THE ROADS COMMITTEE MEETING – A- AGENDA
HELD IN THE ASSEMBLY ROOM ON
WEDNESDAY, 18th SEPTEMBER 2024 AT 9.30AM

PRESENT	<p>Constable S Crowcroft (SC) Mrs H Hubbell (HH) Mr M Pirozzolo (MP) Mr J Lagadu (JL) Mr B Manning (BM) Mr K Proctor (KP)</p>
IN ATTENDANCE	<p>Mr Andrew Sugden (Chief Executive Officer) (AJS) Mr P Pearce (Procureur du Bien Public) (PP) Mr J Baker (Procureur du Bien Public) (JB) Mr S Alves (Head of Infrastructure) (SA) Mr A Sty (Infrastructure Manager) (AS) Mr James Donald (Finance Director) (JD) Miss E Sheehan (Minutes) (ES) Mr Ted Vibert (TV) Minister Tom Binet and Hospital Team (TB)</p>
APOLOGIES	<p>Mrs A Roberts (Parish Secretary) (AR) The Very Rev'd M Keirle (MK) Mr K Proctor (KP)</p>
DECLARATION OF INTEREST	None
OPEN MEETING	Having been previously circulated, the 'A' Agenda Minutes of the meeting held on 14 th August 2024 were approved.
MATTERS ARISING	None
84/2024 VERBAL VISITE ROYALE UPDATE	<p>Previous minutes refers 73/2024</p> <p><u>Grosvenor Terrace:</u> This has not progressed, as there is a cost to the Parish, for an engineer and tree specialist report on the condition of the private wall and trees.</p> <p><u>Vallée des Vaux, Tree roots:</u> As per the Court's advice, we are considering permanent signs to warn pedestrians of an uneven road surface.</p> <p><u>Visite Royale, Vallée des Vaux flooding:</u> The Court has issued the stream owner a notice, and the government drainage team are investigating the issue of the flooding and will consult with the owner.</p>
85/2024 VISITE DU BRANCHAGE UPDATE	<p>Previous minutes refers 70/2024</p> <p><u>Chicken in Fredée Lane & Rue de Arbes:</u> A Loi Sur La Voirie (1914) notice was issued to Jersey Property Holdings regarding "Warick Farm" which borders Freddee Lane. The roadside bank between the lane and Warwick Farm has been eroded due to chickens scratching and removing vegetation, which results in soil continually washing onto the road. The Parish is seeking for the Government to address the bank and the feral chickens on their land.</p>
86/2024 NEW HOSPITAL AT OVERDALE SITE	(SA) introduced Gary MCGuire and his team who gave an overview on the proposals of the new Hospital.

BRIEFING

Presentation comments:

Jessica Hardwick: confirmed the Government intends to rescind the compulsory purchase orders. The orders were agreed by the States and therefore the matter to rescind will need to be debated in the new year.

It is intended to retain 1469 trees, 230 will need to be removed, 89 were lost in the recent storm and 755 new ones will be planted.

There will be four entrances to the hospital, the western side will have an active travel route. Westmount Road will need footway improvements and at grade crossings. The main access will be via West Park or Westmount Road. There will be 100 bicycle parking spaces, and a designated bus stop off Westmount Road, as close to the hospital as possible.

There will be carparking to the south including patient and maternity drop off and disabled parking. Of the 343 carparking spaces, 10% are for electric vehicles, 5% is accessible parking and 5% oversized parking, (oversize parking is for patients who are not necessarily blue badge holders but can be used if disabled parking is full).

No properties on Westmount Road will be demolished. There is to be an active travel route via Westpark, including an upgrade of the pathway to 2.4m wide and new lighting. 3 car parking spaces in the long-stay layby will be lost.

Westmount Road will be a lighter touch approach, with no impact to the Bowling club. Adjacent to the hospital will be a 2m wide pavement and a narrow roadway with virtual footway. There will be gaps to enable vehicles to pull onto the virtual pathway. The hairpin footway will reduce in width and the pergola path slightly adjusted.

St Aubin's Road will have signal control crossings, there will be no impact in Peirson Road. There will be a loss of 8 carparking spaces on People's Park. There will be a need to remove the unloading bay in Cheapside south of the junction. Residents Parking Zones will be retained.

There is a traffic movement plan, and the site will be cleared by the end of September.

Questions and Answers:

Q. Is there a parking facility for expectant mothers?

A. A drop off is provided.

Q. Is there parking for Police vehicles at A&E?

A. There should be room for Police vehicles.

Q. How much of the pavement is being lost at the hairpin bend and how much of the bank will you require to straighten the road?

A. Drawings show the land required.

Q. Will the crematorium will be demolished?

A. The crematorium is not part of the project; our design assumes that it remains. There is no intention to change the crematorium, however Warwick farm could be a potential site as a future project. There are no plans to remove any memorial gardens and there is sufficient parking for construction vehicles and the crematorium.

Q. Is emergency power generation provided?

A. It is a requirement that emergency generators be provided.

Q. The Number of staff parking spaces planned?

A. Patient needs are first, there is two-thirds for staff parking.

Q. Is there a bus stop going into Town, is it possible for bus stop near the substation?

	<p>A. The team will consult with Infrastructure and Environment</p> <p>Q. The number of busses per hour?</p> <p>A. This will be established towards the end of the project.</p> <p>Q. There is currently a one-way traffic management trial on St Johns Road, has the hospital team considered the repercussions?</p> <p>A. we have taken this into account, analysis includes the trial?</p> <p>Q. What future proofing has been built-in?</p> <p>A. The design goes to 2036, there is flexibility and room to grow.</p> <p>Q. Are 100 cycle parking spaces enough, can they be closer to the entrance?</p> <p>A. We have flexibility to expand if demand increases for cycle parking.</p>
<p>87/2024 E-SCOOTER REVIEW UPDATE</p>	<p>Ted Vibert took the committee through a report he prepared.</p> <p>Following concerns regarding E-Scooters, E-Bicycles, and standard bicycles, he held meetings with the States and Honorary Police and one member of the public attended. Evie and Government Infrastructure were invited but did not attend.</p> <p>E-Scooters: There is a lot of use on roads, and a recent incident occurred where a member of the public was knocked to the ground, having been hit by a scoter. E-Scooters should be legalised, but they should require registration, without this the ban should be kept in place.</p> <p>E-Cycles: can travel 20 to 30mph. There is lawlessness with both electric cycles and standard cycles. Neither require registration, as such those concerned cannot be caught. The Roads Committee can't solve these issues alone and there is a lack of support from others.</p> <p>Mr Vibert welcomed questions -</p> <p>JL said that he attended the meeting with the police officer, although he hadn't been invited.</p> <p>BM advised he had attended the meetings and if there were recommendations in the report for the Committee to consider. TV said E-Scooters should remain illegal, all cycles whether manual or electric should be insured and the law should state that all cyclists must ride in a single line.</p> <p>HH advised she had managed to get access to cycle data, if there was a further working group meeting.</p> <p>MP felt that Jersey is an island of children who have scooters, it would be a shame to ban E-Scooters, it would be better for people to have to do training and a test. It's about having the correct level of policing in place.</p> <p>PP advised thar no one under the age of 14 is allowed to use an E-scooter or E-cycle and they are not allowed to go over 15mph.</p>
<p>88/2024 REVISED BRANCHAGE DATES 2025</p>	<p>Committee members were advised of the revised Roads Committee meeting dates for 2025 and Branchage dates of 18th July and 19th September.</p>
<p>PLANNING APPLICATIONS</p>	
<p>89/2024 P/2024/0795 PARADE GARDENS PARK, THE PARADE, ST HELIER,</p>	<p>Proposed refurbishment of the existing playground.</p> <p>The Committee approved the draft comments detailed in the planning report 18th September 2024. (refer document attached)</p>
<p>90/2024 P/2024/0781 PARADE GARDENS PARK,</p>	<p>Form new 0- to 6-year-old playground to the East of existing café.</p> <p>The Committee approved the draft comments detailed in the</p>

THE PARADE, ST HELIER, JERSEY	planning report 18 th September 2024. (refer document attached)
91/2024 AGREED DECISIONS	None
92/2024 LODGING ITEMS FOR FORTHCOMING ROADS COMMITTEE MEETINGS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • E-scooters to come back to Roads Committee • HH - Cycling data to be shown to the Roads Committee (Chef de Police to be invited) • HH – Parking review update • JB - Cycling on Waterfront – cycle routes, and I&E to signposting of cycle routes.
NEXT MEETING	The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 16 th October 2024.

P/2024/0795

1. Parade Gardens Park, The Parade St Helier Jersey

Proposed refurbishment of the existing playground.

The Roads Committee supports this application.

1. Roads Committee notes that the proposal is to refurbish the existing playground and change to a 7+-years-old playground with new modern play equipment which includes inclusive play. The proposal will also introduce sensory planting into the play area currently dominated by black play surfacing.

<https://www.gov.je/citizen/Planning/Pages/PlanningApplicationDetail.aspx?s=1&r=P/2024/0795>

P/2024/0781

2. Parade Gardens Park, The Parade St Helier Jersey

Form new 0 to 6 year old playground to the East of the existing café.

The Roads Committee supports this application.

1. Roads Committee notes that the proposal is to create a new 0- to 6-years-old playground adjacent to the existing café creating a playground suited for 0- to 6-years-old play equipment comprising of modern play equipment which includes inclusive play. The proposal will also introduce sensory planting into the play area.

<https://www.gov.je/citizen/Planning/Pages/PlanningApplicationDetail.aspx?s=1&r=P/2024/0781>

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3. 63 Stonyhurst, Le Clos St. Andre, St. Helier, JE2 3JH

Construct single storey flat roof extension to North elevation. Install fence above existing wall to Eastern rear boundary. Alterations to South elevation terrace to include new balustrade. Various internal and external alterations. Alter vehicular access onto Le Clos St Andre.

The Roads Committee has examined plans for the above submission and comments as follows:

1. Roads Committee notes that the proposal is to create altered access to Le Clos St André to increase visibility.
2. That the Applicant must comply with the visibility requirements as set out in 'Access onto the Highway – Standards and Guidance' as produced by Government of Jersey's Infrastructure & Environment Department, available online at: <https://www.gov.je/travel/roads/pages/roadhousingdevelopment.aspx>. Everything in the visibility areas so formed, including gates, pillars, walls and plants growth, to be permanently restricted in height to 900mm above road level in perpetuity.

It is noted that the visibility splays shown on the drawings fall short, although it is acknowledged that this is an existing vehicular entrance and that the proposal improves the existing poor visibility. It is also noted that there are site restrictions in what can be done; however, the Applicant should explore options of setting back the fence line to improve the visibility further. It is acknowledged that this will not necessarily meet the full guidance, but it will be a significant improvement and acceptable in this residential road which has speed humps to control and slow traffic.

3. That any new or altered access must be surfaced in a hardbound material, such as concrete or asphalt (not loose stone or gravel), within 2m of the public highway, and all surface water generated on the area is to be disposed of within the site by soakaway or other appropriate means. This is a Parish of St Helier set condition which must be undertaken by the Applicant prior to the parking space being used.
4. The kerb and footway must be lowered by the Parish of St Helier or approved Parish contractor at the expense of the Applicant. This is a Parish of St Helier set condition which must be undertaken by the Applicant prior to the vehicle entrance being used. The Parish will not allow access across the footway by the Applicant/owner without this work being undertaken first; this is to avoid damage to the kerbstones from vehicle movement.

Please note that footways **MUST** be continuous across all vehicular entrances as priority is to be given to pedestrians. Therefore, there is no need to provide tactile paving on either side of a vehicular entrance.

The Applicant must contact the Parish of St Helier's Infrastructure Department **prior** to undertaking any work to the public highway to agree the extent of work and specific detail and specification. The Applicant is to be aware that only Parish-approved contractors are permitted to work on the public road/footway. All necessary works are to be at the cost of the Applicant.
5. That a line of 50mm wide split blocks shall be laid flush at the junction between the private land and the rear of the public footway for the width of the site. This is a Parish of St Helier set condition which **must** be undertaken by the Applicant/owner prior to the parking space being used.
6. Applicant is to note that the cost for removal and relocation of any street furniture or utilities, for example, lampposts, bollards, bike racks, etc., and subsequent making good to road and pavement surfaces due to this application, is to be at the Applicant's cost. Relocation of street furniture must be agreed with the Parish in advance prior to any work commencing on site.

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