## **PARISH OF ST HELIER**

	Minutes		
MINUTES OF THE ROADS COMMITTEE MEETING - A- AGENDA			
HELD IN THE ASSEMBLY ROOM ON			
WEDNESDAY, 20th NOVEMBER 2024 AT 9.30AM			
PRESENT	Constable S Crowcroft (SC) The Very Rev'd M Keirle (MK) H Hubbell (HH) M Pirozzolo (MP) J Lagadu (JL) K Proctor (KP) P Pearce (Procureur du Bien Public) (PP) J Baker (Procureur du Bien Public) (JB)		
IN ATTENDANCE	Andrew Sugden (Chief Executive Officer) (AJS) S Alves (Head of Infrastructure) (SA) A Sty (Infrastructure Manager) (AS) A Roberts (Parish Secretary) (AR) K Millett (Minutes) (KM) J Donald (Finance Director) T Russell (Refuse & Street Cleansing Manager) TR Deputy Max Andrews (MA) Quintin Murfin (Government of Jersey I&E) (QM) Nick Kearns (Government of Jersey I&E) (NK) Lee Henry (JDC)		
APOLOGIES	B Manning (BM)		
DECLARATION OF INTEREST	MK – Town Church (105/2024) HH – Planning Application 5 (110/2024)		
OPEN MEETING	Having been previously circulated, the 'A' Agenda Minutes of the meeting held on 16 <sup>th</sup> October 2024 were approved.		
MATTERS ARISING	Previous minutes refer (94/2024)  (JB) enquired whether the Parish is paying for the new bus shelter in Old Street. He was advised that the cost of the shelter is in this year's Roads budget.		
105/2024 PROPOSED ALTERATIONS TO LIBRARY PLACE PARKING	Quintin Murfin and Nick Kearns, from the Government Infrastructure team made a presentation. The Committee were asked to approve changes in Library Place, on a one-year trial period. The changes include:  - Relocation of the current cycle parking to the taxi rank - Additional disabled parking bays		
	<ul> <li>A smaller taxi rank area</li> <li>Questions and Answers:</li> <li>Q. Will there be access to the Town Church on Sundays and for other events. Will businesses be able to access New Cut?</li> <li>A. Access measures will be put into place when required and there will be access to the Church and surrounding area. There are no plans to change access to Church Street. Bus access through Library Place will be unaffected. During the construction period all buses will be diverted via the ring road.</li> <li>Q. Will there be vehicle access for business loading and unloading in Broad Street and Vine Street?</li> <li>A. There will be early morning access for commercial vehicles.</li> </ul>		

Businesses in Broad Street are being consulted, and there have been no issues raised. The Government and Parish will work together to ensure the needs of the public and businesses are met.

- **Q.** Will bolting down the cycle parking cause problems for street cleansing?
- **A.** The cycle parking is like other sites and there have been no issues reported.
- **Q.** Will the original cycle parking be left in place during the trial.
- **A.** It will be removed so that paving can be undertaken.

For many years additional disabled parking has been requested in Library Place. The changes will still provide sufficient taxi spaces. Unloading provisions are not changing, and the cycle parking in New Street will be moved to a more suitable position.

The Committee were reminded that this will be a one-year trial, and any issues identified can be rectified before the changes become permanent.

The Committee voted 5 votes in favour and 1 vote against.

## 106/2024 PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE WATERFRONT AREA

Lee Henry from JDC presented the following proposals for the Waterfront:

Site 1: Former Esplanade Car Park and office

Site 3: Cinema site Site 2: The car park

Site 7: La Route de la Liberation

Aqua Splash will remain in situ. The cinema will be retained until a replacement is built. La Route de Liberation will remain 6-lanes and Fitness First and La Frégate will also be kept.

The first phase will see a 50m outdoor pool built in Le Jardin de la Mer, along with a new cinema and an art gallery and park.

An 80m long pedestrian bridge will improve connectivity and the carpark underpass will be for pedestrians and cyclists only. The children's water jets will be updated.

520 carparking spaces will remain in place during Phase 1 but will relocate later. The repositioning of the buildings around La Route de la Liberation will prevent the separation from town. Community engagement is taking place, with the planning application being made by May 2025.

## **Questions and answers**

- Q. Will parking be kept throughout all stages of the development.
- A. It was confirmed that this will be the case.
- Q. Are the JDC allocating 0.4 parking spaces per residential unit.
- **A.** The JDC will follow the planning requirements.
- Q. Can the old cinema space be used for Island events.
- **A.** The JDC are involved in the proposals for Fort Regent, which could incorporate an events space.
- **Q.** The Horizon development previously contributed funds to St Helier, will the JDC be doing the same for this development.
- **A.** The development is self-funding, and therefore funds will be invested back into the development and infrastructure.
- **Q.** Will the Parish receive funding for the upkeep of the area and roads.
- **A.** This will be discussed at a later date.

## 107/2024 TO AGREE GRANDS VAUX BUS STOP LOCATION

(MA) advised the Committee that the bus stop location is causing issues for a family. It is a busy stop which generates noise and antisocial behaviour.

	Moving the bus stop, would still see it placed outside of a residential property, however the tenants living near to the original location have never raised concerns. There was no consultation before the bus stop was moved.
	The Committee unanimously approved to return the stop to its original location.
108/2024 FIST TOWER SCHOOL REQUEST FOR BOLLARDS IN TOWER ROAD	First Tower School has asked the Parsh to assist with the placing of bollards, as following a student being struck by a vehicle, there are concerns with school pickups and drop offs.
	The cost of supply and installation of ten stainless steel bollards is approximately £2500. Bollards are in stock, and installation would be undertaken by an approved contractor.
	The Committee supported the request unanimously, but felt the school should be approached to part-fund the project. A letter will be sent to the Head Teacher requesting a contribution.
109/2024 OXFORD ROAD: ROAD SIGN EITHER TO REFURBISH OR REPLACE	The disrepair of Oxford Road's nameplate has been raised on social media. The Committee is being consulted, whether to refurbish the sign, at a cost £1,290 or to replace with a standard plastic road sign, at £150. The decision will set a precedent moving forward. There is currently no budget for repairing the existing sign.
	Questions and answers: Q. How many old signs are there in St Helier?
	<b>A.</b> It is thought there are a dozen. <b>Q.</b> Why do the Parish replace road signs on government roads?
	<b>A.</b> It has always been the responsibility of the Parish to maintain road signs.
	<ul> <li>Q. Can the Parish restore the sign to preserve Jersey's Heritage, but for consistency also install a new sign?</li> <li>A. The duplication of signs is not an option.</li> <li>Q. Is there a requirement for the owner of the building to maintain the sign?</li> </ul>
	(JB) expressed concern over the cost of restoring these signs, compared with replacing a new sign. The Committee discussed the importance of maintaining Jersey's Heritage, and whether there was a Heritage fund that could be accessed to fund the restoration.
	The Committee voted 4 in favour of restoring the sign and 2 votes against.
PLANNING APPLICATIONS	
110/2024 P/2024/1025 NEW HOSPITAL	The Committee were asked for their comments, but no responses were received.
OVERDALE SITE, WESTMOUT ROAD.	The Committee approved the draft comments detailed in the planning repost 20 <sup>th</sup> November 2024 (refer documentation attached)
111/2024 P/2024/1042 FAT FACE 26, HALKETT	Change of use of the retail shop to part retail shop and part dog day care area
PLACE.	The Committee approved the draft comments detailed in the planning repost 20 <sup>th</sup> November 2024 (refer documentation attached)
112/2024 P/2024/1081 27 MANOR PARK ROAD.	Demolish existing single garage and boundary wall to West of site. Alterations to vehicular access and formation of parking space. Construct single storey extension on North elevation and boundary wall to North of site.
	The Committee approved the draft comments detailed in the

	planning repost 20 <sup>th</sup> November 2024 (refer documentation attached)
113/2024 P/2024/0220 3-7 DEVONSHIRE PLACE.	Demolish existing dilapidated storage building and remove commuter open car park. Construct 4, one-bed and 3, two-bed residential units with associated amenities.
	The Committee approved the draft comments detailed in the planning repost 20 <sup>th</sup> November 2024 (refer documentation attached)
114/2024 P/2024/1089 BEAU SEJOUR, OLD TRINITY HILL.	To demolish 1 existing lodging house. Construct a replacement building comprising 1, one-bed, 3, two-bed apartments and 3 three-bed detached dwellings with parking spaces, cycle, and bin stores. Form new vehicular access onto Old Trinity Hill
	(HH) declared a conflict of interest, however she advised the Committee that currently there is not enough parking for residents. The new development would remove existing public parking.
	(JL) The parking being proposed for the development, wouldn't benefit the wider community. The application was not supported.
115/2024 P/2024/1095 THORN COTTAGE 9 D'AUVERGNE LANE.	Demolition of the existing dwelling and two outbuildings, the construction of a replacement dwelling on the same footprint and the formation of a new vehicular access.
	The Committee approved the draft comments detailed in the planning repost 20 <sup>th</sup> November 2024 (refer documentation attached)
116/2024 P/2024/1097 VILLA DUPUIT, GREEN STREET.	Demolish existing garage and outbuilding and construct a two-storey extension with first floor terrace to East elevation. Various internal and external alterations.
	The Committee approved the draft comments detailed in the planning repost 20 <sup>th</sup> November 2024 (refer documentation attached)
117/2024 P/2024/1098	Proposed construction of a double garage to south-west of property.
CLAREMONT COACH HOUSE, COLLEGE HILL.	The Committee approved the draft comments detailed in the planning repost 20 <sup>th</sup> November 2024 (refer documentation attached)
118/2024 P/2024/1170 25-27 KING STREET.	Change of use of Ground Floor Retail Unit (Class A) to Restaurant (Class B). Upgrade shopfronts to King Street & Vine Street.
	The Committee approved the draft comments detailed in the planning repost 20 <sup>th</sup> November 2024 (refer documentation attached)
119/2024 AGREED DECISIONS	The Committee approved alterations to Library Place.
	To move the bus stop at Grands Vaux, to its original location.
	<ul> <li>Approval of First Tower School request. (AJS) to draft a letter to the Head Teacher on behalf of the Procureurs.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Agreed to restore Oxford Road sign. (KP) to approach Jersey Heritage to propose part funding.</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>The Committee didn't support the planning application for Beau Sejour.</li> </ul>
120/2024 ITEMS FOR FUTURE MEETINGS	A paper from the parking review group.
121/2024 APPROACH FOR WESTMOUNT ROAD TRAFFIC	A parishioner circulated a suggested alternative approach for traffic at Westmount Road. It was suggested the resident submit their comments to Planning, as part of the consultation stage.
NEXT MEETING	Wednesday 18 <sup>th</sup> December 2024.