



PARISH OF ST HELIER



Minutes	
<u>MINUTES OF THE ROADS COMMITTEE MEETING – A- AGENDA</u> <u>HELD IN THE ASSEMBLY ROOM ON</u> <u>WEDNESDAY 13th AUGUST 2025 AT 9.30AM</u>	
PRESENT	Constable S Crowcroft (SC) B Manning (BM) J Lagadu (JL) K Proctor (KP) M Pirozzolo (MP)
IN ATTENDANCE	P Pearce (Procureur du Bien Public) (PP) J Baker (Procureur du Bien Public) (JB) S Alves (Head of Infrastructure) (SA) A Sugden (Chief Executive Officer) (AJS) A Roberts (Parish Secretary) (AR) T Russell (Refuse Manager) (TR) A Sartin (Head of Infrastructure) (A SA) S Fitzgibbon (Government Infrastructure Department) (SF) T Dodd (Government Infrastructure Department) (TD)
APOLOGIES	The Very Rev'd M Keirle (MK) H Hubbell (HH) A Sty (Infrastructure Manager) (AS)
DECLARATION OF INTEREST	(MP) declared that he had a connection to Highview Lane (SC) declared he was Government Assistant Infrastructure Minister
OPEN MEETING	Having been previously circulated, the 'A' Agenda Minutes of the meeting held on 16th July were approved. The minutes of the 18 June 2025, remain unapproved.
MATTERS ARISING	(BM) Item 74/25 – has the matter of an unloading bay outside Nat West in Library Place been explored. (SC) to discuss with the Government Infrastructure Department.
75/2025 HAVRE DES PAS COASTAL FLOOD ALLEVIATION SCHEME PRESENTATION	(SF) provided a Havre des Pas Coastal Flood Alleviation Scheme briefing, explaining how climate change has affected the shoreline, the options available to address this, the envisaged stages of the plan, and confirmed the time frame for the 1st stage - Havre des Pas commencing 2025 until 2033. The Committee asked several questions, regarding the design and height of the wall, what materials would be used as landfill, and the impact on the bathing pool. A decision of the Committee was not required.
76/2025 OLD ST JOHNS ROAD- SPEED HUMPS CONSULTATION RESULTS:	The Committee considered whether to make the temporary speedhumps permanent at a cost of £15,000. They heard from resident, Mr Weston who opposed the speedhumps. The proposal has been out to public consultation, and of the 27 responses received, 24 supported the proposal. The Committee unanimously approved the installation of permanent speed humps on Old St. John's Road.
77/2025 BROOKLYN STREET/ST SAVIOURS ROAD SIGNALISATION AND ANN, CHARLES AND BROOKLYN STREET CROSSING	The Committee were asked to approve crossings at two locations, a signalised crossing at the junction of Brooklyn Street and St Saviours Road and a crossing at Ann Street, Charles Street and Brooklyn Street. There is already a Planning Obligation Agreement in place for a crossing in this location. Committee members were concerned that the Parish was being asked to change the location of the proposed crossing, and initially it would have to pay the costs of doing so. It is unacceptable that it can take up to eighteen months to recoup Planning Obligation Agreement payments from the Government.

	The Committee supported the introduction of a signalised crossing at the Brooklyn Street and St. Saviour's Road junction, as well as a new pedestrian crossing at Ann Street, Charles Street, and Brooklyn Street junctions.
78/2025 HALKETT PLACE DECORATIVE PLAQUE – OUTSIDE LIBRARY	Following a presentation at last month's meeting, the Committee supported the concept of a plaque to celebrate languages and cultures in Jersey Schools but did not approve its placement within the footway, due to safety concerns about it being slippery when wet. Designers have been asked to liaise with the Parish to find an alternative location, such as mounting it on a structure.
79/2025 LEWIS STREET PARKING ISSUES	Following last month's meeting, based on safety concerns, the Committee were asked to approve the relocation of parking spaces in Lewis Street to Kensington Place, and the installation of bollards in Lewis Street to prevent drivers mounting the pavements. The Committee questioned the type of bollard to be installed and were advised that it would be plastic bollards. The changes gained Committee agreement, pending approval from the Government of Jersey Infrastructure Minister, of the relocation of parking spaces in Lewis Street and the installation of bollards.
80/2025 RUE DU FUNCHAL UPDATE AND SAFETY CONCERNS	At last month's meeting the Committee indicated support of the introduction of a courtesy crossing near the exit to Nelson Street Car Park. The Committee were requested to formally approve the crossing. At the previous meeting, there was concern regarding a wall that juts out, which could obscure visibility. Whilst the wall could be demolished, this would be at considerable expense to the Parish, and would require planning permission, a structural engineer, as well as legal advice and agreement of the owner. An alternative would be to undertake a road safety audit to help identify other improvements. The Committee expressed concern that the previous roads safety audit had not picked up the need for a crossing. The introduction of a courtesy crossing in Halkett Place and the turning circle in Rue de Funchal was approved, subject to a Road Safety Audit being undertaken. The Committee will review the option of making Rue du Funchal one-way at a later date.
81/2025 ADOPTION OF ROAD SURFACING AND ROADS WORKS POLICY	The Committee were asked to consider the adoption of the Road Surfacing Policy, which would see all new footways constructed with black asphalt, with reinstatement work on existing red asphalt footways still being undertaken in red asphalt. The main concerns were the cost of using red asphalt, versus that black asphalt was not aesthetically pleasing in residential areas. The Procureurs du Bien Public stated that they couldn't support the additional cost of red asphalt, and that the money could be better used elsewhere. The Committee agreed that if it were to use black asphalt, that more planters be included into street designs to provide greenery. The Committee voted 4 in favour and 1 against adopting the policy.
82/2025 ROADS PROGRAMME UPDATE	(SA) presented the Roads Resurfacing Programme, approved at the Parish Rate Assembly, which included significant works on Aquila Road, Winchester Street and Tower Road, as well as the completion of a Neighbourhood Improvement Area in Pomona Road. Also planned is exploration of flooding improvements at Vallee des Vaux and the introduction of permanent speed humps at Old St Johns Road. It has been decided to delay work in Clarendon Road, as safety risks have been identified elsewhere in the Parish. The Committee unanimously accepted the Roads Programme.
83/2025 VISITE DU BRANCHAGE UPDATE REPORT	The Committee received an update report following the Branchage of the 4th July. A party of 10, including the Constable, covered 58 roads in the Parish by bicycle, travelling a distance of 8 miles. Several fines were issued ranging

	from £25 to £100. Since the Branchage the Committee had become aware of other areas of concern and asked if these could be addressed on the September Branchage.
84/2025 USE OF BOLLARDS POLICY	(SA) presented the Bollard Policy, stating the principle of the policy is that bollards should only be used as a last resort, alternative solutions should be considered in the first instance. Bollards should not be used to stop illegal parking; the preferred method is policing and enforcement. The policy provides a clear and structured framework as to when bollards should be considered. The Committee discussed the merits of different types of bollards, and it was agreed that Officers will review the style of bollards currently in use and report back. The Committee decided in principle to adopt the policy.
85/2025 ROAD WIDENING, HIGHVIEW LANE	(SA) presented a report to widen Highview Lane, which is a 15 mile per hour no through road. Residents have reported issues in having their properties serviced by refuse vehicles, oil tankers, septic waste disposers and emergency vehicles. The problems were exacerbated when a landowner laid stones as a way of preventing bank erosion. The proposal is to widen the lane to 3 meters; the Parish is seeking approval of the Committee to contact landowners and hopes to seek amicable agreement. Any financial offer made by the Parish will be based on independent valuations from ARICS qualified chartered surveyor. The final decision to purchase will remain with the Parish Assembly. The Committee asked why road widening was necessary, they were advised there is no clear definition of the Parish road boundary and the owners land boundary. It was suggested that it may be advantageous to create pull-in bays rather than to purchase the whole strip of land, the length of the road. (SA) advised that pull-in bays will experience green land planning issues. Discussions took place regarding the environmental aspect versus the resident's access concerns. Based on safety concerns, the Committee unanimously approved increasing the width of Highview Lane to 3 metres. The Committee hoped the Parish could reach amicable agreements with landowners to avoid the use of compulsory purchase, as a last resort.
PLANNING APPLICATIONS	
86/2025 P/2025/0715 6 NELSON AVENUE, ST. HELIER, JE2 4PD	Widen vehicular access onto Nelson Avenue. Demolish part of the side garden/yard and the existing garage to create an additional parking space, providing a total of 2 spaces. The works will require the Parish lamp post to be relocated. The Committee approved the draft comments detailed in the planning report 13th August 2025 (refer documentation attached).
87/2025 P/2025/0718 BEEHIVE COTTAGE, OLD ST JOHNS ROAD, ST. HELIER JE2 3LG	Demolish single storey extension. Construct two storey extension to form 1, two-bedroom dwelling. Alterations and refurbishment of existing dwelling (Beehive Cottage). Various hard and soft landscaping and connection to mains drainage. The Committee approved the draft comments detailed in the planning report 13th August 2025 (refer documentation attached).
88/2025 AGREED DECISIONS	• Approval of the installation of permanent speed humps on Old St. John's Road. • Support the introduction of signalisation at the Brooklyn Street and St. Saviour's Road junctions, as well as a new pedestrian crossing at the Ann Street, Charles Street, and Brooklyn Street junctions. • Approval of the parking spaces in Lewis Street being moved to Kensington Place, pending approval from the Government of Jersey Infrastructure Minister. • Approval of the introduction of a courtesy crossing in Halkett Place and the turning circle in Rue de Funchal, subject to the findings of a Road Safety

	Audit. • Approved increasing the width of Highview Lane to 3 metres. This will require the Parish to acquire small sections of land from property owners to improve access for service and emergency vehicles. The Parish hopes to reach an amicable agreement to avoid using compulsory purchase powers as a last resort. • The Committee supported the concept of a plaque to celebrate languages and cultures in Jersey Schools but did not approve its placement within the footway. • The 2025/26 Roads Programme was approved. Funding for Clarendon Road will be reallocated to progress Phase 2 of Aquila Road, which will align with the Poonah Road Neighbourhood Improvement project starting in October 2025. • The Committee adopted a new policy that all new footways be constructed with black asphalt. Reinstatement work on existing red asphalt footways to be replaced with red asphalt. • A revised bollard policy was adopted, officers requested to review the style of bollards currently in use.
89/2025 FUTURE MEETINGS	• E-cycles/Scooters (BM's) report to be brought back to meeting. • Braille signage on public lavatories (JL)
NEXT MEETING	Wednesday 17th September 2025