Summary Minutes -Douzaine Meeting Monday 24th April 2017

<u>Present:</u> Mr D H Le Moignan (Constable), Mrs J M Tasker (Constable), Mrs C E Goodlass, Mrs K E Jones, Mr B J Cash, Mrs J C Robin, Ms D M Sebire, Mr D Falla, Ms M B McDermott, Messrs. M G G Garrett & J Mooney, Mrs R Henderson, Mr C Blin, Mrs L Vahey, Ms P Fath, Messrs. A Gabriel & T A C Bush.

Apologies were received from: Messrs. K R Pike & R H Harding.

Declaration of Interests

There were none.

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes were approved.

Matters arising

Profile social events – a meeting to finalize arrangements for the Petanque evening (Monday 15th May). Deputies are to be invited.

Constables' Report to the Douzaine

The date for the Senior Citizens tea party had been set for Sunday 2nd July if the preferred date of Sunday 25th June was not available at Les Cotils. A memorial stone was to be erected in memory of pilot John Saville and a Planning application had been made. The Constables had attended the unveiling of the Blue Plague commemorating those involved with GUNS.

Committee Reports

Profile Committee – A report had been circulated.

Amenities – a report had been circulated.

School Reports

No reports were available.

Procurer's Report - (circulated) Mr Le Moignan read out the report.

AOB from Parish Meeting

Mr Le Moignan read out a letter written by the Constables to Mr Richard Evans, Head of Corporate Services at Trading Assets in response to the proposal approved at the Parish meeting. The letter expressed the general mood of the meeting who which expressed unhappiness with the implementation of the Waste Strategy. The Secretary read the AOB items raised at the Parish Meeting.

Notes from Parish Meeting – reduction of refuse collections (circulated *and now available on the Parish website*).

Minutes of meeting with States Works (circulated).

Shotgun certificates (letter circulated).

In Work Poverty Review (documents circulated)

There was considerable discussion on this topic. Comments made were:

Changes (in social care) needed to be political changes taken by the Deputies.

Concentration should be on more education, with specific training for school leavers on personal budgeting, making wages last, cooking and other life skills. These courses could be run by the senior schools, College of FE and WEA.

The cost of medical care was a major problem to the low paid, who were often put off seeing a doctor and having to pay before the consultation. It was also thought the A&E charges had risen steeply and were exhorbitant following the changeover with the contract. This was evidenced by the amount of Petty Debt cases taken out by surgeries.

Supplementary benefits may not always be taken up by the low paid even though they may be entitled.

Some felt that there was still a lack of affordable housing despite the activities of the GHA. This related to possibly those who were seeking small flats/bedsits.

Any Other Business

Ms Sebire – thanked everyone that had responded to her regarding the Dementia Awareness training.

Mr Blin – suggested looking in to positioning a eurobin for domestic waste at the junction of Pedvin Street and Hauteville. He was advised that this had been looked at several years ago, but there was insufficient room.

Mrs Vahey – suggested a meeting with Mr Evans of Trading Assets re. the Waste Strategy.(since arranged for Monday 22nd May at 7.00pm. Deputies to be invited).

Mr Gabriel - requested a refuse information sign be fixed at the bottom of Rosemary Steps.

The meeting closed at 9.07pm

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