Summary Douzaine Meeting Minutes – Monday 27th June 2016

<u>Present:</u> Mr D H Le Moignan (Constable), Mrs J M Tasker (Constable), Mr R R Matthews, Mrs K E Jones, Messrs B J Cash, K R Pike, N E Forman, R H Harding, Ms D M Sebire, Mrs J C Robin, Mr D Falla, Ms M B McDermott, Mrs R Henderson, Mr C Blin, Mrs L Vahey & Ms P Fath. Apologies were received from: Mrs C E Goodlass, Messrs J H Sarre, M G G Garrett & J Mooney

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes of meeting on the 23rd May 2016 were accepted.

Matters arising

Mr Le Moignan reminded all doing hedge inspections to pursue any un-cut hedges. The problem of Japanese Knot Weed was discussed, but is not classified as a noxious weed. Legislation to control was needed to force its eradication.

The Queen's Birthday celebrations on Saturday 11th June were discussed briefly. The Constable thanked all for their help and special mention was made of the great help provided by Roger Goodlass in decorating the marquee and blowing up the balloons.

Constables' Report to the Douzaine

A Report had been circulated. Mrs Tasker added that the WI had toured the Constables' Office and were suitably impressed. Mr Le Moignan showed the Douzaine the elaborate plaque given to him on his visit to the Disney cruise ship.

School Reports

As circulated from Amherst/Vauvert and Baubigny Schools. Mrs Tasker made the comment that the new school curriculum being introduced would greatly increase the workload for teachers.

Committee Reports

As circulated.

Floral - Mr Le Moignan advised that he had agreed to purchase 25,000 crocus bulbs which are being partially sponsored by Appleby as part of the Floral Guernsey initiative. These would be planted at Cambridge Park. Help would be needed to plant these, but SWD would be engaged to fold back turf by machine to facilitate this.

Christmas Lights – Dates had now been set for fund-raising events. Quiz Night – Saturday 12th November at St Martin's Community Centre, Pop-up Shop – w/c 9th October at OSA, Smith Street, Flag Day – Saturday 19th November

Profile Committee – The Townie was at the printers and would be available in about a week's time. Office and Constables to arrange the posting out. Any enquiries for advertising space should be directed to Mr Pike.

Candie Cemetery Wall

Mr Le Moignan updated the Douzaine on this necessary remedial work to the lower east wall bordering Upland Road. One quote had so far been received for rebuilding and reinforcing the bulging panel to the right of the entrance, partially rebuilding and reinforcing the cracked panel to the left, installing land drains behind the whole of the wall and drilling 59 weep holes.

War Memorial

Discussed under Planning Applications. The Douzaine voted not to support the plans for the piazza proposed by Committee for Education, sport and Culture.

Any Other Business

Mrs Tasker – Clifton Lane abandoned vehicles. A lady had approached her with further information advising that the whole of the Arcade Steps (including the lane known as Clifton Lane) along with Clifton Steps and Constitution Steps were Listed structures and therefore the parking in Clifton Lane was a change of use. A report to this effect had been sent to the Development & Planning Authority. She had been advised that the worst vehicle, a blue VW estate (with every window smashed) would be removed by the owner shortly as would several other damaged vehicles.

Mr Matthews – had noticed three youths skateboarding on the Liberation Monument steps on a Sunday afternoon. Mr Le Moignan agreed to speak to Community Police.

Mrs Jones – reminded the Douzaine that the Parish floral competition was in two week's time and the awards evening shortly after and that help was needed. Mrs Jones will circulate the dates.

Mr Blin – had met with Island Waste Ltd and could arrange a visit to their facility for the Douzaine if required.

The meeting closed at 10.10pm

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