Summary of Douzaine Meeting – Monday 28th September 2015

<u>Present:</u> Mr D H Le Moignan (Constable), Mrs J M Tasker (Constable), Mrs C E Goodlass, Mr R R Matthews, Mrs K E Jones, Messrs B J Cash, K R Pike, J H Sarre, R A Grant, R L Lord, Mrs J C Robin, Mr D Falla, Ms M B McDermott, Messrs M G G Garrett and J Mooney.

Apologies were received from: Messrs P J B Wilson, L C Queripel, N E Forman, R H Harding, Ms D M Sebire. Absent: Mr P J Burtenshaw

Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The Minutes of meeting on the 24^{th} August 2015 were accepted.

La Vallette Project

Mr Le Moignan gave an overview of the project which although not a Douzaine initiative, the Douzaine were invited to be involved. Mr Mooney advised that this could be adopted as a project for the Floral Committee for the B I B competition in 2016 (entry has not yet been confirmed). Mr Le Moignan confirmed that a full photographic record of the project would be kept.

Constables' Report to the Douzaine

The Constables' report had been circulated.

Committee Reports

Profile Committee – The Townie 6 was now out and was well received. The Committee were thanked and congratulated on their good work.

Amenities Committee – The Y A H Board outside Candie gardens entrance was being progressed through Environment Planning. A further board near the Bus station toilets was also being considered following the move of the cruise ship terminal. The Community Toilet scheme would be progressed with visits to prospective shops and businesses commencing shortly. The safety of cycle lanes was discussed and priority to either cyclists or motorists must be clear.

Floral Committee – They had two meetings recently and Mr Mooney advised that there was still a project to complete near the Police Station during the remainder of 2015. Two seats would be needed. The Rotary

Clubs in conjunction with Floral Guernsey was donating 5,000 purple Crocus bulbs to the Parish and 1,000 more daffodil bulbs were also soon to be provided. Mrs Jones would soon be seeing Jan Dockerill at Environment to discuss improvements to the gardens at Victoria Tower.

Christmas Lights Committee – The Quiz Night held last Friday had been very successful and should net about £1,000 profit once bills are paid. The Committee would now concentrate on selling the tickets for the Dinner & Dance on the 23rd October. The next initiatives were the bus advertising, milk carton advert, large "milk carton" collecting box in Market square and the pop-up shop which was commencing on the 19th October. An appeal was made for help in manning the pop-up shop (hours are to be decided by the committee) and for good quality items and cakes to sell. There is also a flag day booked (for 21st November), which would need the support from the Douzaine.

Mr Sarre pointed out that he was expecting that the campaign would gain momentum in the run up to Christmas. At present, the Island did not seem to be responding to the appeal. Mrs Goodlass suggested making and displaying a funds raised "thermometer" to show how much raised so far. Some charitable funds had already made their 2015 allocations, but could be asked to commit to 2016 bequests and the result of the second phase of the CI Lottery funding application was not yet announced.

School Reports

Baubigny Schools – Mrs Tasker advised that further defects had been identified at both schools during the summer holidays. There were no other school reports.

Education Launch of "Your Schools, Your Choice" Consultation – letter from Education circulated.

Procureur's Report – circulated and read out by Mr Le Moignan.

Hedge Inspections

Packs had been circulated to the eight pairs of Douzeniers for the September inspections.

Guernsey Green Awards

These awards were promoted by Environment for organisations to prove their "green" credentials. The award cost £700 and it was not thought to be of any advantage to the Douzaine.

Any Other Business

Mr Matthews asked if any progress had been made in tidying up signage in the archway leading to Lefebvre Street. Mr Cash offered to pursue this with Lovells, who were agents for the buildings on either side of the archway.

Mrs Jones advised that Nigel Clarke at Queux Patio Centre was holding an opening day in aid of the Legacy Project (La Vallette) to display and explain how the St Peter Port floral displays and irrigation system works.

Mrs Robin appealed to everyone to reserve their Dinner & Dance tickets.

Mrs Tasker asked anyone interested in having lunch at Moores after the Remembrance Day service. Please contact Mrs Tasker if you would like to attend.

The meeting closed at 9.30pm