Summary of the Meeting of the Vale Douzaine

Monday December 13th 2021

<u>Present:</u> Miss R.A. Henry – Dean Mr J.C.S.F. Smithies – Vice Dean

Douzeniers: Mr N.J. Leale, Miss V.J. Robinson, Mr T.I. Ashworth, Mr A. Quevatre,

Mr R.E. Digard, Mrs P.A. Robinson, Mr W.J. Le Page, Mr P.F. van der

Tang, Mr G. Collins, Mr J.H. Niles,

Constables: Mr R.A. Leale, Mr W.H. Cohu

Parish Secretaries: Mrs S. Earles, Mrs N. Gill

Apologies: Mr. J.E. Bond

1. Minutes of the Meeting held on 22nd November 2021 were approved.

- 2. Matters Arising.
 - Email addresses for Douzeniers. IT suppliers own our domain name. an invitation has been sent to DPO who asked that all new douzeniers from all parishes attended.
 - New Assistant Secretary has been appointed and will start on 4th January 2022.
 - Letter from Adv Ferbrache re Rocha. After more discussion, the douzaine agrees that whilst the situation and outcome is not right and the cost is large, a line would now be drawn under the issue and the matter closed.
- 3. Bornements. Two Bornements were approved.
- 4. Planning Exemptions. St Sampson's Douzaine has sent a letter to the Deputies who are meeting on Wednesday 15th December. The Douzaine agrees the exemptions remove a lot of red tape and cost of applying but does not want to be deliberately obstructive.
- 5. Report on Platinum Jubilee Meeting. The organisation is ongoing with most things now booked. The cost of the event will be shared between the Vale parish and St Sampsons'.
- 6. Letter re Hougue Jehannet. A letter has now been received from Guernsey Electricity formally requesting the road closure. A letter has been sent to the Law Officers and is now in their hands.
- 7. Office opening times for the festive period. The office will close on Christmas Eve and reopen on 4th January 2022. Any calls are to be made to RL and BC. The waste collections are unchanged.
- 8. Review between States and Parish Working Group. A member from the Forest has now joined. Education would like a list of all school committee members. Committees would like to use the Teams platform to upload/download documents with parishes sharing. Standardisation of policies and procedures. Assistance to parishes for office supplies, catering, property maintenance and IT security training may be available. Free legal advice

may be available via DW to Law Officers. States drafting document of frequently asked questions. Additional responsibilities for the parish as in signposts and advice on new exemptions plus ambassador to digitising planning for Planning Dept. provide community based support and social inclusivity for Health and Social Care and Home Affairs to work more pro-actively with the Douzaines with Community Policeman and emergency planning.

- 9. Correspondence. None.
- 10. Any other business.
 - RL Thank you to SE for her six and a half years as Parish Secretary.
 - BC our Community Policeman should be returning in January.

The meeting closed with the Benediction at 8pm.