



Summary of the Meeting of the Vale Douzaine

Monday 30th September 2024

<u>Present:</u>	Miss R.A. Henry - Dean	Mr W.H. Cohu – Vice Dean
Douzeniers:	Mr O.C.E. Brock, Mr N.J. Leale, Miss V.J. Robinson, Mr T.I. Ashworth, Mr A. Quevatre, Mr W.J. Le Page, Mrs. A.B. Setters, Mr O Goddard	
Constables:	Mr R.A. Leale, Mr J.H. Niles	
Parish Secretaries:	Mrs N. Gill, Mrs D.R. Breton	
Apologies:	Mr R.E. Digard, Mr P. van der Tang, Mr G. Collins, Mr J.E. Bond,	

1. **Minutes of the Meeting held on 29th July** were approved by the Douzaine.

2. **Matters arising:**

- **Rates Update** – There are 27 outstanding totalling in the region of £3.5K.
- **Playground Update** – All 4 swings have been replaced at Les Amarreurs but the height needs to be adjusted in accordance with UK standards. The chains and seats on the baby swings are also being replaced.

3. **Bornements** – There were three which were approved.

4. **Liberation Day:**

We have received a letter from the Bailiff addressed to all Constables requesting each parish to provide a float for Liberation Day. The initial money offered was £500 but this has now been increased to £1,500. It was suggested that we still hold a tea party for the elderly of the parish who are unable to go into town for the 80th celebrations and maybe do this over the lunchtime rather than the afternoon. VJR has her artwork from a previous exhibition two years ago and thought it might be a nice idea to have it mounted on to screens for display on the front lawn during the month of May so that parishioners could come along at their leisure and have a look. It would have to be waterproofed and along the lines of the displays in the grounds of the Priaulx Library.

5. **Hedge/Stream Inspections:**

These are starting this week and dates and times were agreed.

6. **Parish Elections:**

These are scheduled for Wednesday 6 November.

7. Church Works update:

A drone survey was detailed and showed no problems so it is felt that no large amounts of money will be spent next year and the work from this year should be complete by the end of the year.

8. Harbour Action plan:

We are sending a copy of our response to the States which will be posted on 2nd October 2024.

9. Guernsey Development Agency:

It is felt that it is good to show our interest and be kept in the loop with any plans for the north of the island.

10. Douzaine Liaison Group:

The Minutes of the meeting had been circulated.

11. Correspondence:

- **Guernsey Rally Friday 28th February to Saturday 1st March** – We had had three complaints by email but the rally is only in the Vale on the evening of the Friday from approximately 6 till 10 pm so the Douzaine are happy with it going ahead.
- **Rewilding Letter** – A group calling themselves Rewilding had written to us. We will wait for them to put more details in the Press.
- **Autocross 2025 Dates** – Approved by the Douzaine.
- **St John's Flag Day** – The date for this is 21st June 2025 – this was approved.
- **Douzaine Council winding up** – previously circulated. The Council was resurrected for a time but is now going to finally wind up. The Douzaine voted to wind up this body.

12. Any Other Business:

Poppy Murray who is concerned with night-time safety on the island will be invited to come and speak at our next meeting at the end of October.

The Meeting closed with the Benediction at 8.55 pm.