



## DELIBERATION

The Electors and Ratepayers of the Parish of the Vale have met at the Douzaine Room on this 12th day of March 2025, and have transacted the following business:-

Apologies received from Mrs Anne Setters, Mrs Shirley Banyard

1. The Parochial Cemetery Accounts for 2024 - *Approved.*
2. *Lucie Salisbury* elected as Auditors for the Parochial Cemetery Accounts for 2025.  
Proposed by *Mrs D Coker* Seconded by *committee members - Approved*
3. Constables Accounts for 2024 - *Approved.*
4. Voted in favour of the items detailed in item 4 of the Publication totalling:
  - a) £252,100 to be levied by means of Owners Rate in 2025 as per Tax on Real Property unit value of the Cadastre Categories as listed - *Approved.*
  - b) £421,721 to be levied by means of Refuse Rate in 2025 to be equally apportioned between each Habitable Unit - *Approved.*
5. a) Voted in favour of 4 as above together with that amount approved at the meeting convened by the Rector and Church Wardens - *Approved*  
b) Voted in favour for the Constables to apply to the Royal Court for a Remède to levy the aforesaid sums - *Approved*
6. To take such measures as the Electors and Ratepayers have deemed advisable, viz:-  
*St Martins have installed solar panels and parish are investigating doing the same. Would the parishioners be in favour if added to next years remede - Approved.*  
*see extra sheet.*

There being no further business the meeting closed with a Benediction by the Senior Constable

Signed

*[Signature]* *CRainson*

Mr R.A. Leale

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### **Questions asked from the floor.**

- Q. Is there any update to the Douzaine premises in the pipeline as the kitchen could do with an upgrade with cooking facilities?
- A. No, this would mean the premises being re-categorised and having to be inspected annually. We have not received any request from users to provide complete kitchen facilities.
- Q. What determines the amount donated to the cadastre?
- A. The Douzaines are charged pro rata on size of parish and are billed accordingly to pay for the use of the Lapis system and for access to the cadastre information.
- Q. What determines the amount given to schools? Should the amount be increased and can it be increased? Can we ask the schools what the donations are used for?
- A. Historically a donation has always been given. Constables had discussed removing this donation with the douzaine but it was voted against. The amount can be increased but not at this meeting. An item on the remède can only be removed not changed. This will be placed on the agenda for the parish meeting in November. The Douzaine will write to each school to ask what the donations are used for.
- Q. What does the phrase “NB: Inclusive of subsidy from accruals of 2018 Refuse Rates” mean.
- A. A subsidy of £20,000 was made from our reserves this year so only asking for £421,721 rather than £441,721. Possibly will continue to subsidise for next 2 to 3 years lowering the subsidy each year.
- Q. How much money is in the reserves?
- A. Approximately £280,000 in account to cover 6 months douzaine expenditure that has to be kept by law.

### **Continued from previous sheet number 6.**

The rates payers were asked to consider fitting solar panels to the Douzaine roof, this item will be placed on the agenda for the next parish meeting in November.

- Q. Is the Vale doing anything for the Liberation celebrations?
- A. Yes, a float will be entered in the parade. The 80 plus names of escapees will be highlighted on the sails of a boat.
- Q. Can the names of those who died be included.
- A. This was felt not to be appropriate. An exhibition that had been set up a couple of years ago in the Douzaine room is hoped to be placed on boards outside which will include this information. A tea party is also to be held on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> May as per previous years.
- A. There will be a service for the Liberation held at the Vale Church on 11<sup>th</sup> May.
- Q. Can the parishioners be assured the rates will be set correctly this year.
- A. The rates will be set accordingly to the cadastre TRP rates.

The Parochial Cemetery Committee will require a parishioner from the Vingtaine de L'Epine for their November elections.