



**MINUTES OF AN  
ASSEMBLY OF PRINCIPALS AND ELECTORS  
7.00PM, THURSDAY 30<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2021**

Connétable Karen Shenton Stone welcomed all present and advised the Assembly that a record of attendance had been recorded on entry to the Public Hall via the Electoral Roll as at 12pm Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> September 2021. It was noted that 42 parishioners eligible to vote attended the Assembly. An additional 7 attendees attended who were not eligible to vote.

Apologies were received from Deputy Stephen Luce, Michael Jehan, Mr & Mrs Nigel Le Maitre, Scott Wickenden, Robin Perchard, Steven de la Haye, Colin Perchard, Peregrine and Theo Stone, Teresa Roland, David Burmingham and Deputy Mary Le Hegarat. The Convening Notice was read by the Parish Secretary.

- 1. To receive and if deemed advisable, approve the Minutes of the Parish Assembly held on 5<sup>th</sup> August 2021.***

Connétable Stone stated that the Minutes had been available in the Public Hall office, on the Parish website and copies were also available on entrance to the Hall. The Minutes were proposed by Centenier Alan Phillips, seconded by Procureur Peter Germain and approved by those present. The Connétable duly signed the minutes.

- 2. To receive and if deemed advisable, approve the Minutes of the Nomination Meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> August 2021.***

Connétable Stone stated that these Minutes had also been available in the Public Hall office, on the Parish website and copies were also available on entrance to the Hall. The Minutes were proposed by William Sutton, seconded by Procureur Peter Germain and approved by those present. The Connétable duly signed the minutes.

- 3. To present quotes received for the provision of kerbside recycling and for the Principals and Electors of the Parish to elect for the introduction of a kerbside recycling service for the Parish to commence on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022.***

The Connétable introduced a guest speaker on line, Emma Richardson-Calladine (Emma RC) who is currently supporting the Department for Infrastructure, Housing and Environment (IHE) with developing Parish recycling collections. Also introduced was Richard Fauvel, Acting Director, Department for IHE. Emma RC stated that to date nine Parishes have taken on kerbside recycling and this was an excellent opportunity for the Parish of St Martin to become the tenth. This service would bring recycling into every household. It has been noted that the recycling centre at the Village Car Park is very successful however not everyone is able to access it. This service would make it easier for all Parishioners and more people would recycle. It is also more important than ever that waste is separated on island.

The Assembly was informed that the Department for IHE contract Abbey Waste for the recycling of cardboard, paper and plastic bottles. It takes an average two weeks for paper to be recycled into newsprint and be back on the shelf. Plastic bottles are shipped to a UK recycler by Abbey Waste. They are turned into recycled plastic package on site and so arrive at the UK depot as Jersey's waste plastic bottles and leave as packaging. All metal is exported to the UK where it is melted down and recycled. Jersey does not have these facilities.

Emma RC also stated that this service would provide a stimulus to behaviour change, helping islanders to reuse and recycle and have a positive impact on local climate change.

Questions followed:

- Would scrap metal be recycled back into the Parish/Island?

*No as this would cost the island more to do so.*

- How does this stand up to the carbon footprint with additional Parish collections on the roads?

*One lorry would replace 8 cars travelling to the recycling centre thus creating a more efficient service. It was also noted that contractor vehicles will also need to comply with vehicle emissions in their contract with the Parish.*

It was noted that the current refuse collection contract ends in July. The earliest date recycling could be implemented in co-ordination with the Department of IHE (ordering & delivery of bins to each household) and the Parish (securing a contract with a provider) would be March 2022. The Connétable stated that the cost for implementing this service for the period March to July would be covered in the current Parish budget. The Connétable was unable to say if the Parish Rates will go up next year but further stated that if they did go up this service would cost the rate payer £10 per household per year.

Procureur Peter Germain stated that as a new refuse contract is due in August this recycling service could be delayed and tenders be sought from August 2022 as opposed to March 2022. This contract could also be combined with road sweeping and therefore possibly a better quote secured for all three services.

It was confirmed that all three (plastic, paper, metal) recycling boxes along with instruction leaflets would be provided by the Government of Jersey to every household. Replacement ones would need to be purchased by Parishioners at cost. Community buildings (care homes, etc.) will be provided with larger bins.

- Would this service not be better joined up with other Parishes, creating an island wide service?

*The Connétable stated that this would be for a discussion at the Comité des Connétables.*

- Why can this service not be provided to commercial businesses?

*The island is unable to provide services for commercial units. The vehicles used for recycling can only cater for domestic household recycling collections. However, should commercial businesses require collection of recyclable materials this can be arranged at a cost to the business.*

- What provision is there for disabled Parishioners who are unable to take bins to roadside?

*Emma RC stated that should the Parishioner have a genuine case special access service can be arranged. The Department for IHE would work with the Parish in these circumstances.*

- Will there be performance reviews on the chosen contractor?

*The Connétable stated that a three-year contract would be preferred and as with current Parish contracts it will be self-reviewing, any issues are dealt with and rectified with the contractor at the time of reporting. Performance measures will also be included in the contract*

- What is the estimated tonnage collected by other Parishes?

*Richard Fauvel stated the Department for IHE monitor the tonnage collected by all Parishes and the island total is then published.*

- What is the capacity of the boxes – big enough for a monthly/fortnightly collection?  
*Emma RC stated that the boxes will hold an average fortnight's collection. If collections are once a month Parishioners may need to take to recycling centre in between collections. Parishes differ in collection dates – some operating a monthly or fortnightly collection, some a weekly (each week is a different box).*

The Connétable stated that the next steps would be for the Parish to evaluate the number of households requiring boxes, the number of community buildings requiring larger bins and special access service requirements.

- What is the current state of research for contractor's vehicles to suit both refuse and recycling i.e. less number of vehicles on road and more efficient service?  
*Emma RC stated that a feasibility study had taken place but because of the narrow roads and the lack of density of housing, the size of the containers – one would fill up quicker than another and therefore cause extra trips to the depot, more research is required as this is a big investment for contractors.*

Comments were made from representatives of the new housing estate, Le Clos Troquer, that they were supportive of this proposal and keen to help the environment. The amalgamation of glass collections for all Parishes was also queried but it was noted that this is not in the foreseeable future.

Richard Fauvel stated that glass collections are currently crushed and used as and when needed by the Department for IHE as a building product as filter material in the reclamation site. The Department are also exploring its use in building and engineering applications.

It was noted that refuse collections decline with increased recycling but an efficient rubbish collection is still required even if bins are only half full.

The current recycling points are used by many and is a much needed facility. Emma RC stated that the Parish recycle centre would not be replaced – it was staying even if the kerbside recycling is approved.

The Connétable then asked the Assembly to elect for the introduction of a kerbside recycling service for the Parish to commence on 1<sup>st</sup> March 2022. The result was as follows:

36 for  
4 against  
2 abstained

The Connétable thanked both Emma Richardson-Calladine and Richard Fauvel for their assistance and contribution to the Assembly.

There being no further business, the Connétable thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.15pm.



**Karen Shenton Stone**  
Connétable

Date: 9<sup>th</sup> December 2021

