

MINUTES OF A NOMINATION MEETING OF PRINCIPALS AND ELECTORS 7PM, THURSDAY 8th AUGUST 2024

The Connétable welcomed all present and reminded the Assembly that they could sign the Attendance Book at the end of the meeting if they so wished. It was noted that 19 parishioners were in attendance.

Apologies were received from Megan Gaudin, Peter Germain, Robbie Perchard and Amanda Sutton. The Convening Notice was read by the Parish Secretary.

1. To elect one Centenier to complete a three-year term of office expiring September 2027

Pursuant to an Act of the Royal Court dated 19th July 2024, whereby it was ordered that an election be held for Centenier, this nomination meeting has been called to elect one Centenier to complete a three-year term of office expiring in September 2027.

The Connétable confirmed that a nomination form had been received for Alan Richard Phillips which was completed by proposer Colin De La Haye, and nine seconders who are electors of the Parish. The Connétable invited Colin De La Haye to address the Assembly.

Colin De La Haye read the nine seconders:

Gerald Le Cocq Peter Searle Steven Falle Daniel Wherry David Campbell Karen White Will Dawson Peter Germain Judith Eden

Mr De La Haye then advised the Assembly that Mr Phillips had been a resident of the Parish for 21 years and had served in the Honorary Police since 2006. Having been elected a Constables Officer he had moved up the ranks to a Vingtenier in 2009 before becoming a Centenier in 2018. In 2010 he had been elected the Parish's Training Representative for the Honorary Police and is currently the Chair of the Honorary Police Training Group. Alan is also the caretaker of the Le Court Clos Housing Trust.

Mr De La Haye considered that Alan had proved himself an invaluable addition to the Honorary Police and in particular was always willing to help whenever called upon. It gave him great pleasure to propose Alan for the officer of Centenier.

Peter Searle as one of the Seconders added his recommendation to the Assembly pointing out that Alan had a happy personality and was a pleasure to work with.

The Connétable asked if there were any other nominations and, after a period of ten minutes and no further nominations, declared Alan Richard Phillips duly elected as a Centenier and warned him to appear at the Royal Court at 10am on Friday 13th September to take his Oath of Office.

The Connétable then congratulated Centenier Phillips on his re-election and thanked him for his

years of service and his significant contribution to Parish life including his work at Le Court Clos. The Connétable stated that the Parish was privileged to have men and ladies of his calibre in the Honorary Police in St Martin, whilst recognizing the need for more recruits. She reminded those in attendance to consider whether they knew anyone who might be a suitable candidate.

2. To elect one Procureur du Bien Public to complete a three-year term of office expiring September 2027.

Pursuant to an Act of the Royal Court dated 19th July 2024, whereby it was ordered that an election be held for Procureur du Bien Public, this nomination meeting has been called to elect one Procureur du Bien Public to complete a three-year term of office expiring in September 2027.

The Connétable confirmed that a nomination form had been received for Lester Arthur Richardson which was completed by proposer Gerald Le Cocq and nine seconders who are electors of the Parish. The Connétable invited Mr Le Cocq to address the Assembly.

Mr Le Cocq read the nine seconders:

John Luce
Colin Renouf
Paulette De La Haye
Victoria Huelin
Robert Perchard
Alan Mollet
Joan Richard MBE
Megan Gaudin
Terence Ahier

Mr Le Cocq then advised the Assembly that Mr Richardson had been born at North Lynn in the Parish of St Martin on 15th February 1951. He had been educated at St Martin's School and then De La Salle College before embarking upon a career as a motor mechanic followed by farming. Mr Le Cocq stated that Mr Richardson brought many skills to the role of Procureur, which entailed having a good working relationship with the Connétable and ensuring that the finances of the Parish were managed "as well as or better than your own finances". In addition Mr Richardson undertook a range of additional voluntary tasks including Chair of the Gorey Fete and Bonfire Night Committee as well as regularly mowing the Village Green. Mr Le Cocq concluded by stating that it was an honour to propose a candidate of Mr Richardson's calibre for this office.

The Connétable asked if there were any other nominations and, after a period of ten minutes and no further nominations, declared Lester Arthur Richardson duly elected as a Procureur du Bien Public and warned him to appear at the Royal Court at 10am on Friday 13th September to take his Oath of Office.

The Connétable then congratulated Mr Richardson on being re-elected and stated that the Parish was very fortunate to have Lester as a Procureur given his practical skills and his willingness to

work as part of a team. The Connétable also expressed her sincerest gratitude to Lester's family for their support and commitment.

Mr Richardson responded that the Parish had a very good team who were able to openly discuss issues and come to a consensus. He sincerely thanked Mr Le Cocq as his proposer and he hoped he would be able to emulate Mr Le Cocq's contribution to Parish life apart from the "jokes". He also thanked his seconders and was very much looking forward to the next 3 years.

The Nomination Meeting closed at 7.30pm.

