

# **ROADS COMMITTEE**

## COMITÉ DES CHEMINS

## **MINUTES**

14 August 2024 10:00 a.m. Bureau du Connétable, Parish Hall

Committee Members:	Present:	Number of meetings held during 2024:	Number of meetings attended during 2024:
Kevin Lewis (KL) Connétable	Present	6	6
Rev. Martin Evans (ME)	Present	6	3
Stuart Pirouet (SP)	Present	6	6
Paul Houzé (PH)	Present	6	5
Michael Officer (MO)	Present	6	6

#### In attendance:

Marco Vieira (MV) Executive Officer

Paula Jespersen (PJ) Admin Support Officer (Minute taker)

#### 1. INTRODUCTION & DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

The Chair opened the meeting, welcoming all members and expressing gratitude for their attendance. The Chair opened the meeting, MO declared a conflict of interest with regard to Croix de Boix.

## 2. TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The approval of the minutes from the previous meetings held on 8 May 2024, 20 June 2024 and Branchage minutes dated 3 July 2024 were read and approved. Proposed by ME seconded by SP.

#### 3. ACTS OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING(S) AND MATTERS ARISING

The Committee proceeded to review the appendix notes from the previous meeting. MV provided a summary of the key actions and decisions taken during the previous meeting, highlighting any outstanding matters.

### 3.1 La Commune

The Committee examined the data obtained from the SID for traffic traveling in both directions and found there were no speeding issues. Decision: no further action required and to share the data with the residents. Proposed by MO seconded by ME.

#### 3.2 Fountain Lane definition of parking bays

Following a site visit to assess parking in the area, it was reported that the road is too narrow to add parking bays, as doing so would result in the loss of up to three parking spaces. Additionally, since Fountain Lane is included in DFI's wider program for the area, it was agreed not to make any changes at this time. Decision: no further action required. Proposed by KL seconded by PH

#### 3.3 Sunshine Avenue & Little Sunshine Avenue

Following feedback from residents of Little Sunshine Avenue, it was agreed that the traffic flow would remain two-way. The Order is scheduled to be implemented on 1 September 2024, with no changes to the traffic direction in Little Sunshine Avenue.

KL informed the Committee that, despite prior notice being given to utility companies in February 2024 regarding the re-surfacing, the companies have requested to carry out work in the Avenue. As a result, KL has coordinated with the contractor to postpone the re-surfacing to Easter half-term 2025. All residents have been notified of this change.

#### 3.4 Chasse Brunet

KL informed the Committee that he had written to Island Energy, copying various Ministers, to highlight residents' concerns about the smell of gas in the area. Island Energy acted on these concerns within days.

## 3.5 Speed Limits

MV informed the Committee that he had met with DFI who advised the Minister is not considering any speed reviews until a 2025 when carrying out a whole island review.

#### 3.6 St Michael's School - Zebra crossing

The Committee discussed the technical report carried out by WSP placing a zebra crossing and zig zag lines at Rue de la Hougette and the different options for the crossing at Les Friquettes. **Decision**: it was agreed for a Zebra and zigzags at Rue de la Hougette. Proposed by MO seconded by ME. It was further agreed to go with option 2 of the technical report excluding the hump. Proposed by PH seconded by KL

## 3.7 Rue de Pigneaux

The Committee examined the data obtained from the SID and found there were no speeding issues. **Decision**: no further action required and to share the data with the resident. Proposed by MO seconded by PH.

## 3.8 Maison St Louis -parking improvements

After discussion it was agreed not to focus on the parking but on the accessibility into the estate from Wellington Road and to carry out a site visit by the present Committee. **Decision**: it was agreed to attend on-site to reassess the Committee's initial decision. Proposed by KL seconded by SP

## 3.9 Drainage

**Grands Vaux update** - MV coordinating with the contractor to determine the necessary steps. Work is expected to commence in the first quarter of next year.

**Rectory Lane update** – MV is working with the contractor to find a solution, with the proposed plan being to create a camber with a gully. A discussion followed regarding a pre-planning application to create an opening onto Rectory Lane, and it was agreed to hold off on any drainage work until this application has been fully discussed.

#### 3.10 P/2023/0843 Field S409 La Rue des Friquettes

As there is to be a public hearing for this matter on 28 August 2024 it was decided to make no further comment until after the hearing.

## 4. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

## 4.1 P/2024/0257 Le Petit Ponterrin, La Rue du Ponterrin

Change of use of 1 bedroom 2 storey unit of guest accommodation used in connection with Le Petit Ponterrin to 2 storey 3 Bedroom residential unit with associated parking, amenity area and storage. Various internal alterations. Installation of new garden fence. **Decision:** no objection.

## 4.2 P.2024/0584 Halfa, Beach Road

Construct garage to East of site

**Decision:** no comment required. It was noted that the application had already been approved.

## 4.3 P/2024/0470 1 & 2 St Meloir, Grands Vaux

RETROSPECTIVE: Alter vehicular access on to Les Grands Vaux. Install fence over 1.8m high to all site boundaries. AMENDED DESCRIPTION: Variation of condition 3 (refuse storage and disposal) to allow the re-location and re-configuration of the refuse storage and disposal provision. Variation of condition 4 (means of vehicular access) and variation of condition 5 (visibility splays) to allow the alteration to the vehicular access and visibility splays from application P/2021/1658 (Demolish existing dwelling and construct 2 no. 3 bed residential units with associated parking). RETROSPECTIVE: Erect fencing to all elevations, alter vehicular access and bin stores.

**Decision:** following a site visit carried out by Committee Members an observation was made to the Planning Committee on 4 July 2024 that the Committee has no objection to the proposed application. However, they request that the applicant complies with the visibility splay requirements, in addition

to adhering to the Committee's standard requirements for the creation or alteration of a new or altered entrance.

The Committee also requested that the Planning Officer be contacted and requested that the Committee's observations be implemented by the applicant.

It was further agreed for the Committee members to carry out a site visit to the said premises.

## 4.4 PA/2024/0685 Field S470 & S415 Rue de Friguettes

Following the Committee's previous discussion with the applicant amended plans have been submitted for review by the Committee. After further discussion, it was agreed to liaise with the applicant, suggesting they approach the National Trust to request rescinding the right of way over the track and explore the possibility of creating a single access point for the development. Surface water and drainage issues were also raised, with the recommendation that this be included in the planning obligation agreement.

**Decision:** Consult with the applicant to approach the National Trust regarding a single entrance to the development. Proposed by SP seconded by MO.

#### 5. PRE-PLANNING APPLICATIONS

#### 5.1 November Cottage, Bagatelle Lane

A request was received to create two additional parking spaces.

The Committee reviewed the submitted drawings. **Decision**: No objection to the proposal. The applicant must clearly define the boundary where their property meets the highway, consult with the parish on lowering the kerb and apply for the necessary Planning permission. Proposed by SP seconded by PH.

## 5.2 Trescot, Langley Park - planning breach

In July 2023, the Committee declined a request to remove a section of the wall at the property Trescot. The applicant has since enquired why the wall has now been removed and provided photos as evidence. **Decision**: Report this breach to Planning and notify the owner. Advise the applicant that the Committee did not approve these works.

## 5.3 Field S492 Rectory Lane - create new access and improve visibility

A request was received to create a new entrance.

The Committee reviewed the visibility splay and raised concerns about drainage. **Decision**: Before making a decision, the Committee agreed to conduct an onsite visit. Proposed by MO, seconded by ME

#### 6. NEW BUSINESS

## **6.1 School Travel Plan Programme**

Request received from I & E Transport Department who are looking to improving the school travel plan the School Travel Plan Programme was circulated to the Committee. **Decision:** request the Travel Planner attend the next Committee meeting to run through the presentation. Proposed by SP seconded by ME.

#### 6.2 Draft 2024-2030 Roads Resurfacing Programme

The Committee reviewed the programme requesting the resurfacing on Belvedere Hill be brought forward due to the poor state of the road. The resurfacing of La rue de la Chouquetterie was questioned and that this perhaps only needed work to the tree roots. Langley Park/Avenue it was also requested these works be brought forward. **Decision**: it was agreed in principle to agree to the Roads Resurfacing Programme and to attend on site at La Rue de la Chouquetterie.

#### 6.3 Rue de Beauvoir – speed limit reduction

KL had received a requested to lower the speed. It was noted that a previous request had been received and the data retrieved from the SID showed that there were no speed issues therefore no action was required and the Honorary Police were requested to monitor the situation. **Decision**: no further action. KL to share the speed data with the parishioner. Proposed by SP seconded by ME

## 6.4 La Rue du Ponterrin - concealed entrance request for signage

A request was received for concealed entrance signage, at a newly built property, citing concerns about vehicles speeding on a shortcut into town. The Committee reviewed the property's location and roadway. Given the concern over the road becoming urbanized and the absence of reported speed issues, the Committee does not support this request. **Decision:** no further action. Proposed by SP seconded by ME.

## 6.5 Chasse Brunet - request for cycle access

A request was received to widen the gate to enable cyclist access, noting that the posts had been positioned to prevent motorcycles from passing through the gap. **Decision**: Approve widening the gate posts and re-positioning the signage. Proposed by SP seconded by PH.

## 6.6 Croix de Bois - results of questionnaire

Following a letter drop and questionnaire to residents of Croix de Bois, the completed questionnaires have been returned. **Decision**: Distribute a summary of the results to the Committee and defer discussion to the next meeting.

#### 7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

#### 7.1 Val Aumé path – update from Connétable

KL updated the Committee on the successful re-opening of Val Aumé footpath following extensive repair and drainage work. MV informed the Committee that, after collaborating with a neighbouring landowner, an additional circular walk had been devised, and signage, including a map of the route, is being prepared

## 7.2 Second Visite du Branchage

Following a successful First Visite du Branchage led by SP and assisted by fellow Committee Members, it was agreed that the second Visite would follow the same format.

#### 7.3 use of Love Jersey app

MV wished to encourage the promotion of the app among Committee Members and Roads Inspectors, as it would greatly assist Parish administration.

#### 8. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

#### 8.1 Roseville Residents

SP requested that a thank you letter be sent to the residents of Roseville Villas for promptly removing their bins from the pavement after collection, in accordance with the Committee's request

## 8.2 No exit sign in Parish Car Park

SP raised concerns after witnessing vehicles exiting through the no-entry exit of the Parish car park, which he believes could lead to an accident. He requested that the signage be reviewed. **Decision:** it was agreed to review the signage.

#### 9. NEXT MEETING & CLOSING OF MEETING

The next meeting is scheduled for Wednesday, 18 September 2024, at 9:30 a.m. Committee members will meet at the Parish Hall before attending an on-site review of the matters raised. The Connétable thanked all attendees and closed the meeting. (1.20 p.m.)

Kevin Lewis (KL) Connétable Signed by the Connétable as President of the Roads Committee

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