



MINUTES

18 December 2024 9:30 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	10	10
Rev. Martin Evans (ME)	Present	10	6
Stuart Pirouet (SP)	Present	10	10
Paul Houzé (PH)	Present	10	9
Michael Officer (MO)	Present	10	10

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. SP declared an interest in relation to item 4.3.

2. TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The approval of the minutes from the previous meeting held on 6 November 2024 were read and approved. Proposed by SP seconded by ME.

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 (The following paragraphs are listed using the numbering from the previous meeting for consistency and reference)

3.4 Langley/Les Grands Vaux Crossing: MV in consultation with the Minister

3.6 Elizabeth Street: work complete

3.7 Rectory Lane: work completed, including highway re-camber

4.1 P/2023/0843 Fields S409, La Rue des Friquettes: no further action awaiting to hear from applicant/landowner.

4.2 P/2024/1037 November Cottage, Bagatelle Lane: Observation submitted to Planning.

5.2 Roads Resurfacing Programme: to be published online in 2025

5.3 Rue a la Dame footpath: Following the Vue de Vicomte, measurements are still being finalized. Due to unforeseen delays, the Parish has missed out on full funding from the Countryside and Access grant for this project. Once measurements are agreed upon and

an Acte of the Court has been issued, the Parish will implement a phased programme of works, prioritizing drainage provisions. The Connétable and Procureurs are exploring alternative funding options.

5.4 Sustainable Transport and Eastern Cycle Network: Connétable and Roads Committee members of Grouville to attend to discuss.

6.4 Rue de la Hambie – damage to field request for width restriction: followed up no further action required.

6.5 Rue de la Vignette – drainage: A quote was received for “like for like” works, with a breakdown of costs for each parish. The cost to POSS is approximately £13,500, while the cost for St Martin is £21,000. MV confirmed cost-sharing arrangements with the Parish of St Martin.

Decision: As the works in POSS are isolated from those in St Martin, it was agreed to instruct the contractor to proceed with the works in POSS. MV will liaise with St Martin and schedule the works with the contractor. Proposed by ME and seconded by MO.

Further discussions considered the feasibility of employing skilled workers directly for such tasks. It was concluded that outsourcing the work remains more cost-effective due to the requirement for qualified tradesmen, surveyors, and other expertise.

4. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

4.1 P/2023/0737 Dewberry House, Bagatelle Lane “Construct new centre to provide healthcare, therapy and support. AMENDED PLANS RECEIVED: Alterations to application site boundary. Repositioning and redesign of proposed building within the site, and associated repositioning of parking and garden areas”.

Decision: While the Committee are not opposed to the concept of retaining a lower 25mm edging, it is imperative that further assessments are conducted to ensure this alternative does not adversely affect drainage systems or compromise road safety within the Bagatelle Lane area. Our approval of this reduced edging is contingent upon these conditions being satisfactorily addressed in the revised planning documentation. Proposed by MO seconded by SP.

4.2 P/2024/1133 Blue Blossom, Sunshine Avenue “Alter existing vehicular access to Sunshine Avenue”.

Planning Application withdrawn and a retrospective application will be submitted due to the work having already carried out.

4.3 Fountain Lane, field H1584: temporary entrance.

The committee was briefed on the situation regarding a temporary entrance proposed in 2022. At that time, the developer/landowner approached the Parish seeking permission to create a temporary entrance at the corner of the field, intended for contractors to access the building site. The development itself being situate in St Helier, with the entrance located in St Saviour. It was reported that no works have been undertaken in the two years since permission was granted.

Decision: Contact the developer/landowner to clarify their intentions regarding this development. Proposed by PH, seconded by MO.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 St Saviour's School Road Safety and Parking Improvements Scheme: DFI Officers to attend to give update

DFI officers provided an update on their safer routes to school scheme. They outlined their pre-planning discussions with Planning and with the school and the landowner of a neighbouring field. Proposals included creating a field path wide enough for two cyclists to pass safely, incorporating crossings, controlling speed and improving visibility at the Bagatelle Road/Patier Road junction. The scheme focusing on encouraging walking and cycling.

The scheme is planned to commence in 2026, coinciding with the Bagatelle Road resurfacing during school summer holidays to minimize disruption, with preliminary works potentially starting earlier. Concerns were raised by the school about the loss of eight parking spaces and DFI proposed using Parish-owned field S633 to create up to 22 replacement parking spaces.

Committee members discussed the potential use of field S633, raising concerns about the loss of agricultural land and the importance of proper landscaping. It was agreed that DFI would engage further with the school and provide a summary of the options discussed to the Committee. Once this summary is received, the Parish will consult with the tenant of field S633 and neighbouring landowners.

Decision: The Parish is not opposed to field S633 being used for parking, provided that proper landscaping is implemented.

5.2 Eastern Cycle Route: consult with Grouville Roads Committee

The Connétable of Grouville and the Roads Committee attended the meeting to discuss the Minister of DFI's proposed plans for the Eastern Cycle Route, focusing particularly on the section where the two parishes meet. Both Grouville and St Saviour agreed in principle to the scheme.

(MO offered his apologies and left the meeting)

The committees reviewed the proposed signage, expressing a shared preference for smaller, less intrusive signs. There was also consensus that local cyclists are unlikely to alter their usual routes to use the new cycle path.

Decision: It was agreed that MV would write to the Minister to relay the findings of this meeting. The Committee will reconvene to discuss the route through St Saviour and its junction with Grouville before holding further discussions with Grouville. Proposed by SP seconded by PH.

5.2.1 Val Poucin, Grouville: drainage issues

While the Roads Committee of Grouville was in attendance, they raised concerns regarding drainage issues at Val Poucin Mews. Although the affected properties are located in Grouville, the water causing the problem originates from land within the Parish of St Saviour. The Grouville Roads Committee requested assistance from the St Saviour Roads Committee in addressing the matter and contacting the relevant landowner.

Various solutions were discussed, with a 2-meter trench leading to a manhole at the boundary identified as the most effective option. It was noted that the five properties in Val Poucin Mews had expressed willingness to contribute to the cost of the works.

Decision: The Committee agreed to conduct a site visit in the new year to assess the issue before approaching the landowner.

5.3 Rue de Patier/Bon Air Lane/St Saviour's Hill: uncontrolled intersections

The Committee was briefed on concerns raised by the Chef de Police following a recent accident at this junction, citing a history of previous accidents and daily near misses. The Committee acknowledged the poor visibility at the junction. It was recommended by the Chef de Police and the Executive Officer to install a stop sign and corresponding white road markings.

Decision: It was agreed to install a stop sign and corresponding white line at the junction. Proposed by SP, seconded by MO.

5.4 Belvedere Hill: Traffic calming measures

The Committee reviewed a request from a resident of Belvedere House concerning safety on Belvedere Hill. The resident highlighted multiple near-miss incidents, including safety concerns for pedestrians and vehicles exiting a private lane leading to the Nursery. The resident requested the installation of a speed bump at the crest of the hill to address speeding issues.

Decision: Due to the road gradient and poor visibility, the Committee deemed it unsafe to install a speed bump. Instead, it was agreed to install a Speed Indicator Device (SID) to deter motorists and gather traffic data. The resident will be informed of the outcome. Proposed by MO, seconded by SP.

5.5 School Streets Elizabeth Street (South): make permanent

DFI seek the Committee's agreement to making Elizabeth Street a permanent School Street following a successful eighteen month trial. The trial received positive feedback from the public, the school, families and the 'Breath Charity,' which collaborates with the Government and Parishes to improve air quality around schools and public spaces.

New Committee members were briefed on the scheme. Concerns were raised about cyclists continuing to use the road. For safety reasons, the Committee discussed the rationale for excluding cyclists from the closure.

Decision: The Committee supports the proposal to make the scheme permanent, with the condition that cyclists are also prohibited. Proposed by SP, seconded by MO.

5.6 Safer Routes to Schools, Fountain Lane: proposals

MV informed the Committee that the DFI wishes to meet with them in the new year to discuss their proposals. DFI's plans were shared with the Committee, and it was noted that SIDs would be installed to allow the Committee to review the collected data ahead of the meeting.

5.7 Clos Paumelle: dumped car and parking issues

The Committee was informed of a complaint from a resident of Clos Paumelle regarding a car believed to be unroadworthy, which had been parked at various locations in the estate and was now in front of the resident's property. MV advised that he had written to the resident confirming that, under Road Traffic legislation, the car was deemed roadworthy and was not obstructing private or public access. He also proposed several potential solutions for the resident to consider but noted that no further response had been received to date. The Committee proceeded to discuss the possibility of implementing a residents' parking scheme in the area; however, no decision was made.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

6.1 Branchage and Committee meeting dates for 2025

The proposed dates for the Visites du Branchage were as follows: First Visite on 2 July, and Second Visite on either 3 or 17 September. Before finalizing these dates, it was suggested to contact the four neighbouring parishes to ensure sufficient intervals for farmers to complete their branchage obligations.

The proposed committee meeting dates for the first quarter of the year are: 20 January, 13 February, 27 March and 30 April.

6.2 SIDS update

MV advised that he would provide an update at the next meeting on the data retrieved from SIDs.

7. NEXT MEETING & CLOSING OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 1:40 p.m., with the next meeting scheduled for Monday, 20 January 2025.



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