

MINUTES

27 August 2025 10.00 a.m.
Bureau du Connétable, Parish Hall

Committee Members:	Present:	Number of meetings held during 2025:	Number of meetings attended during 2025:
Kevin Lewis (KL) Connétable	Present	10	10
Rev. Martin Evans (ME)	Present	10	9
Stuart Pirouet (SP)	Present	10	10
Paul Houzé (PH)	Present	10	7
Michael Officer (MO)	Present	10	7

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. There were two conflicts of interest ME items 3.7 and 4.1 and MO item 4.2.

2. TO APPROVE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The approval of the minutes from the previous meetings held on 18 June 2025 and 2 July 2025 were read and approved. Proposed by MO seconded by ME.

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

The Committee reviewed the matters arising from the previous meeting.

3.1 La Rue St Thomas – parking & speed issues

Following requests from residents regarding speed and safety concerns along the lower end of La Rue St Thomas, the Committee considered the matters raised and consulted with Parking Control Officers. The Committee’s objective is to promote safer parking arrangements and promote speed awareness and safety. **Decision:** It was agreed to install 20 mph road markings in accordance with the “Traffic Signs (Jersey) Order 1968” on La Rue St Thomas, one located just after the bend when approaching from the north, in the middle of the road and another on the southern approach before the entrance to Le Bernage. In addition, the prohibition lines are to be extended from the hotel entrance up to the hotel staff car park entrance, continuing past the entrance to Le Bernage (see Appendix 3.1). Proposed by PH seconded by SP.

3.2 Sunshine Avenue & Little Sunshine Avenue

The Committee reviewed the reports provided by the emergency services following their attendance at the Avenues to assess access provisions. The Committee also requested to review the SID data; however, as this was not available at the time of the meeting, the speed data will be considered at the next meeting.

Based on the information contained in the emergency services report, and in line with their recommendations, the Committee gave detailed consideration to the extension of prohibition lines and other safety measures. **Decisions:** After full discussion, the following decisions were made. Sunshine Avenue; prohibition lines to be extended on both sides from the Patier Road junction. Little Sunshine Avenue; extend the existing prohibition lines on both sides as far as Sunnysdale. It was further agreed, on the advice of the emergency services, that a clearance of three metres (width wise) is to be maintained throughout the Avenues. The Committee expressed its desire to avoid extreme measures and would prefer to work with residents, encouraging them to manage parking arrangements between themselves and thereby avoid the need for further Parish restrictions. Residents will be advised of these decisions and the conditions. Proposed by MO seconded by PH.

11.00 a.m. ME left the meeting.

3.3 La Rue du Froid Vent – speed & safety issues

The Roads Committee received a request raising concerns about vehicle speeds and safety in the vicinity of the college entrance. The Committee reviewed the SID data and noted that the permanent SID installed at this location has been effective in deterring excess speed. **Decision:** It was agreed to refresh the road markings, renew street furniture, if needed, the entrance to the footpath linking Wellington Road and La Rue du Froid Vent, and request that the Honorary Police continue their policing of the area. Proposed by SP seconded by MO.

3.4 Oak Villa, Sunshine Avenue – request to disburse surface water onto avenue

Following the Committee's request at its meeting held on 18 June 2025 (item 5.7), where it was agreed that a "percolation test" be undertaken by a qualified engineer. **Decision:** After reviewing the percolation test results, the Committee was satisfied with the proposed drainage provisions. Proposed by SP seconded by MO.

3.5 P/2024/0470 1 & 2 St Meloir, Les Grands Vaux – Planning Decision

The Committee reviewed the retrospective planning application on which a decision had been issued on 22 July 2024, in order to establish whether the applicant had adhered to the conditions previously set by the Committee. **Decision:** It was agreed to write to the Planning Department to raise awareness that the conditions have not been carried out. Proposed by SP seconded by KL.

3.6 Jardin a Pommiers – parking issues

KL updated the Committee that, following numerous complaints received from residents of Jardin à Pommiers regarding parking within the estate, believed to be by teaching staff, and subsequent meetings with the school, he had met with the Ministers for Infrastructure and Education. Agreement had been reached on his proposal to create twenty parking spaces in Grainville playing fields near the recycling area. These spaces would be allocated for the use of St Saviour's School teaching staff during school hours and would remain available for use by the general public during evenings and weekends. Additional parking has also been created near the memorial cross by the school, increasing capacity from four to six spaces. KL noted that he hopes these measures will ease parking pressures in Jardin à Pommiers and the surrounding areas. It was further noted that, should the proposed spaces at Grainville playing fields not proceed, the Connétable will be bringing a proposition before the States for the same.

3.7 Rectory Lane junction with St Saviour's Hill

Following previous discussions and proposals to improve safety at the Rectory Lane and St Saviour Hill junction, MV updated the Committee that the triangular section of land in question does not fall within the remit of the Parish but rather under the responsibility of DFI. As such, any restrictions or improvements to road safety in this area will need to be undertaken by DFI. **Decision:** no further action.

3.8 Speed Survey report (SIDs) – Grands Vaux (between Langley Park and Trinity Hill)

The Committee reviewed the SID data and noted that excess speeds had been recorded in Les Grands Vaux. It was further noted that a covert SID (hidden display) was currently in place, and it was agreed to also install an overt SID (visible display) so that the Committee could review and compare the data from both surveys. **Decision:** It was agreed to install an overt SID and that an Honorary Police presence was required at peak times, with the results to be monitored and reported back to the Committee for review in October.

4. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

4.1. P/2025/0745 Field S492 Rectory Lane. Description: Form new vehicular entrance with gates to field from Rectory Lane.

After review, the Committee expressed concern over the lack of drainage provisions given the topography of the land and the potential for surface water run-off onto the road. Concerns were also raised regarding visibility splays, particularly as the lane is in constant use by students from nearby schools. The Committee further noted that the creation of a new entrance would contribute to the urbanisation of the countryside, especially if the land were to be developed in the future. **Decision:** The Committee rejected the application on the grounds of inadequate drainage, poor visibility and safety concerns for school children. Proposed by PH seconded by SP.

12.10 ME rejoined the meeting.

4.2 P/2025/0780 Holme Royal, La Chasse Brunet. Description: demolish and rebuild roadside wall.

Decision: the Committee raised no objection to the application on the condition that the Parish's standard requirements are met. It was noted that MO abstained from this decision due to a conflict of interest. Proposed by SP seconded by PH.

4.3 P/2025/0819 1,4,5 & 6 Maison St Louis Description: reinstate collapsed retaining wall.

Decision: The Committee supported the application on the condition that a structural engineer's design is used. Proposed by MO seconded by SP.

4.4 5 Maison St Louis – lower kerb and create new parking

A request was received from a resident seeking approval to lower the kerb in order to create additional parking spaces. The Committee discussed the implications, noting that such alterations must adhere to established Parish standards to ensure visibility splays and drainage provisions. **Decision:** The Committee supported the application on the condition that the applicant complies fully with the Parish's standard recommendations.

4.5 PA/2025/0605 Glenbrae, Bagatelle Lane

The Committee reviewed a request to replace the existing fence with a new, slightly higher fence around the garden, together with an adjustment to the wall from the Bagatelle Road side. It was noted that no new fence was proposed from the Bagatelle Lane side. The application was considered alongside the recommendations made by the Government Senior Planner, in particular those outlined under "Highway Considerations". **Decision:** The Committee supported this pre-planning application on the condition that the applicant complies with the Planner's recommendations relating to Highway Considerations and adheres to the established Parish standards. Proposed by SP seconded by MO.

4.6 Val Francis, Langley Avenue

The Committee considered a pre-planning request from an applicant seeking to create a new entrance onto Langley Avenue. Concerns were raised regarding the position of the existing bus stop outside the property and the adequacy of visibility splays. **Decision:** The Committee agreed to support the application subject to the applicant meeting the required visibility splays as set out in the Government's "Access onto the Highway – Standards and Guidance" and the

Parishes standards. It was further noted that Liberty Bus would need to be notified of the application. Proposed by ME seconded by MO.

5. NEW BUSINESS

5.1 Claremont Road – Traffic Management (congestion issues)

A request was received by a resident of New Zealand Avenue, on behalf of a group of residents, raising concerns over significant congestion believed to be the result of a newly implemented drop-off and pick-up system at the nearby school. The resident was under the impression that the school had liaised with the Parish regarding these arrangements. **Action:** KL updated the Committee that he had spoken with a representative of the residents of New Zealand Avenue and had liaised with the school to establish what provisions had been put in place. It was agreed that the Committee would attend on site with the concerned residents.

1.45 p.m. ME left the meeting.

5.2 Wellington Road (top end)

A request was received from Infrastructure and Environment following safety concerns raised by residents regarding poor visibility when exiting their properties, due to parked cars. The Committee was asked to consider whether changes could be instigated on this road. **Decision:** As the road is administered by Infrastructure and Environment, the Committee agreed to invite I&E to forward their proposals and recommendations for review. Proposed by KL seconded by SP.

5.3 Branchage

The Committee reviewed the preparations ahead of the second Visite du Branchage, which is scheduled to take place on Wednesday 17 September.

5.4 Chasse Brunet – road awareness signage & road markings

A request was received from a resident for a 20 mph repeater sign to be installed at the junction of Maisons Connétable Ozouf and Chasse Brunet. **Decision:** The Committee agreed that, as this area will form part of the wider neighbourhood road improvements included within the Parish's proposed public park project, which itself will incorporate a range of traffic-calming measures, the matter should be deferred until such time as the project is progressed. No action is required at present.

5.5 Langley Park – volume of traffic

A request was received from a resident concerning the increase in traffic, which was noted to be partly due to nearby road closures and diversions but also an issue on a day-to-day basis. The Committee discussed the ongoing problems affecting both Langley Avenue and Langley Park and agreed that the whole area needs to be considered in order to address traffic, parking and speeding concerns. **Decision:** It was agreed to proceed with a feasibility study of the area in question. Proposed by SP seconded by MO.

5.6 Road Traffic (St Saviour) (Jersey) Order 2000 - update

MV updated the Committee that DFI had been in touch as the trial period for several traffic measures was coming to an end and requested the Committee's feedback on whether they should be made permanent. The Committee noted that for the Les Grands Vaux prohibition lines and the three-hour parking restriction at the bottom end of Rue à la Dame, positive feedback had been received from residents with only one negative comment, and the Committee approved making these permanent. With regard to Sunshine Avenue, the "Access to Premises Only" restriction was discussed. Due to unforeseen delays encountered in the asphaltting of Sunshine Avenue, it was agreed to defer this decision by six months. For Rue de la Houquette (temporary two-way traffic) and Maison St Louis (extension of prohibition lines), the Committee agreed these measures should also be made permanent.

The Committee also put forward the following two items to be included in the order:-

Having reviewed the parking at Rectory Lane and St Saviour's Hill junction, which falls under the remit of DFI, the Committee requested the installation of prohibition lines for safe traffic flow and visibility with the creation of two parking areas and up to a 3 hour limit for parking; and on Rue St Thomas following requests from neighbouring residents regarding the parked vehicles it was agreed to mark a parking area and introduce prohibition lines to allow safe traffic flow and ensuring access to a car park and residential estate is maintained. **Decision:** The Committee directed MV to advise DFI that they wished for the above arrangement to be formalised. Proposed by PH seconded by SP.

5.7 Bagatelle Lane – traffic calming measures

A request was received from a resident for the introduction of traffic-calming measures. **Decision:** The Committee agreed to request traffic management monitoring by the Honorary Police, with the matter to be reviewed at the next Committee meeting.

5.8 Deloraine Road (near school) – traffic calming measures

A request was received from a resident to address speeding issues on Deloraine Road at the corner near La Pommerarie Close. **Decision:** The Committee agreed to request traffic management monitoring by the Honorary Police, with the matter to be reviewed at the next Committee meeting. Proposed by SP seconded by MO.

6. ANY OTHER BUSINESS

6.1 Erosion of roadside banks

MO reported a request from an individual claiming that the Parish road sweepers were causing erosion to part of their land. The matter was discussed, and the Committee was informed that standard street cleaning procedures were in place which require operatives to keep a minimum of 6" (15 cm) clear of roadside banks. **Decision:** MO was asked to advise the individual that the Parish Works Manager would meet with the individual onsite.

2.45 PH left the meeting.

6.2 Emergency closure of parish roads by utility companies

The Committee discussed the recent closures of the top end of Patier Road and Chasse Brunet by a utility company for emergency works, together with the diversion signage implemented by said company, which had caused safety concerns. MV referred the Committee to Articles 21 and 24 of the Road Works and Events (Jersey) Law 2016, noting that clarification of these provisions may be required. **Decision:** It was agreed that KL would raise the matter with the Minister for Infrastructure.

7. NEXT MEETING & CLOSING OF MEETING

The meeting closed at 3.00 p.m.

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