Comité des Connétables

Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 12th December 2016 at the Parish Hall, St Peter.

Present:

Connétable de St Pierre - J. M. Refault, Vice Chairman

Connétable de St Hélier - A. S. Crowcroft

Connétable de St Laurent - Mrs D. W. Mezbourian (present for items 1 and 7-9)

Connétable de Ste Marie - Mrs J. Gallichan

Connétable de St Ouën - M. J. Paddock

Connétable de St Brélade - S. W. Pallett (present for items 1, 2 and 7-9)

Connétable de St Martin - M. P. S. Le Troquer

Connétable de St Sauveur - Mrs S. A. Le Sueur-Rennard

Connétable de Grouville - J. E. Le Maistre

Connétable de St Jean - C. H. Taylor

Connétable de la Trinité - P. B. Le Sueur

An apology for absence was received from the Connétable de St Clément - L. Norman, Chairman.

In attendance: Mrs S. R. de Gruchy, Secretary

Non-exempt (public) under Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011

Minutes

1. The minutes of the meeting held on 14th November 2016, having been previously circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

Volunteer.je

2. The Comité received Mr A Le Pavoux, Bosdet Foundation, who gave a presentation about the website "volunteer.je" which had been designed to offer a platform for organisations seeking volunteers, and for persons wishing to volunteer, to match their interests and skills. The site was being used by 80 organisations and over 100 volunteers had signed up to seek volunteering opportunities. Mr Le Pavoux suggested the site might be of use to the parishes, as they relied upon volunteers in many areas, and he also asked if details could be included in parish magazines. The Comité complimented the efforts to promote volunteering opportunities and, having been thanked for attending, Mr Le Pavoux withdrew from the meeting.

Firearms (Jersey) Law 2000 – approval of shooting clubs 3. The Comité was informed that the Minister for Home Affairs had received applications from 5 clubs for renewal of the approval as shooting clubs under Article 15 of the Firearms (Jersey) Law 2000. Before granting or refusing to grant an approval or varying or withdrawing an approval, the Minister was required to consult the Comité in accordance with Article 15(3) of the law. In each case the conditions had been met for approval as a shooting club and, having discussed the applications, the Comité agreed it had no comments to make on the approval as a shooting club of the following:

Eastern Air-Rifle Club

Vintage Arms Association

Regent Shooting Club

Jersey Outdoor Small-bore Rifle Club

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Western Miniature Rifle Club

e-parishes publicity 4. The Comité considered it would be appropriate to issue a media release regarding the e-parishes work undertaken to date, referring to the services covering the full rates year and the introduction of an online service for the change of name and address.

Dogs (Jersey) Law 1961 – licence application form and stray dogs 5. The Comité, with reference to its minute no. 8 of 18th April 2016, recalled that amendments had been made to the Dogs (Jersey) Law 1961 and that the owner's phone number must be included on the dog collar and a licence should not be issued to a person who was under 16 years of age. The Comité approved revisions to the dog licence application form to reflect these changes. The Comité also noted the number of stray dogs dealt with by the Jersey Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (JSPCA) in the first and second years of the contract to collect and house stray dogs (December 2014-November 2016).

Next meeting

6. The Vice Chairman was thanked for his hospitality and the Comité noted the next meeting would be on 16th January 2017.

Chairman L. Norman Date	:16/01/2017
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