

Comité des Connétables

Minutes of the meeting held on
Monday 14th November 2016
at the Parish Hall, St Lawrence.

Present:

Connétable de St Clément - L. Norman, Chairman
Connétable de St Pierre - J. M. Refault, Vice Chairman
Connétable de St Hélier - A. S. Crowcroft
Connétable de St Laurent - Mrs D. W. Mezbourian
Connétable de Ste Marie - Mrs J. Gallichan
Connétable de St Ouën - M. J. Paddock
Connétable de St Brélade - S. W. Pallett
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

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 24th October 2016, having been previously circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

Hon. Police –
Comité des
Chefs de Police
budget 2016/17

2. The Comité, with reference to its minute no. 3 of 24th October 2016, considered the Comité des Chefs de Police proposed budget of £1,500 to cover expenditure for 2016/17 and agreed this would be funded by parishes (shared equally, £125 per parish).

Honorary
Police
insurance

3. The Comité, with reference to its minute no. 7 of 23rd May 2016, received a report from the Honorary Police insurance panel (for policies covering all parishes except St Helier) following the 30 month review of the policies.

The Comité was reminded that the initial 3-year long-term agreement (LTA) was from 1st May 2014 to 30th April 2017 but the tender also invited the option to extend to years 4 and 5 if the Comité wished. The panel recommended the Comité continue with the cover arranged through Islands Insurance for years 4 and 5 with a procurement exercise for the broker and all policies to be carried out prior to renewal on 1st May 2019. The Comité, having discussed the proposal, agreed with the recommendation.

The Comité also discussed the desirability of a generic risk assessment for tasks undertaken by members of the Honorary Police, and an ‘application form’, and invited comments from the Comité des Chefs de Police. The Comité noted that the panel would meet to consider any queries or concerns identified by members of the Honorary Police about the cover provided.

Zero-hours
contracts
(P.92/2016)

4. The Comité received the Minister for Social Security, the Director – Policy and Strategy and the Policy Principal, Social Security Department, and the Director of the Jersey Advisory and Conciliation Services to discuss the proposition Zero-hours contracts (P.92/2016) and the Minister’s amendment thereto. The Minister informed the Comité

that the proposition related to only one of the recommendations in Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel report “Zero-Hour Contracts” (S.R.3/2016) and it would not be possible to undertake public consultation and law drafting on a complex issue such as this within a 6 month period. Further, should this be given priority it would delay the review of the family friendly legislation which the Minister had confirmed would be undertaken by the Department. The effect of the amendment was also explained. Following discussion the Comité thanked the Minister and officers for attending and they withdrew from the meeting.

Assisted Digital
– pilot scheme

5. The Comité, with reference to its minute no. 10 of 8th February 2016, recalled that it had noted details of the proposed “Assisted Digital” scheme to help those less able (e.g. not computer literate, disabled etc.) to access online government services and which might be delivered through various agents including the Library, the Social Security Department and the parishes. The Comité had proposed that three parishes (St Brelade, St Clement and St Mary) might be used for a pilot scheme before deciding whether all Connétables would be prepared to offer such a service through their own Parish Hall and noted that these parishes were now being asked to host the pilot scheme and this involved:

- Parish would be provided with a large iPad (similar to those used at Social Security)
- The iPad could be freestanding on a stick or mounted to the counter/in a kiosk
- Training would be provided to staff or Back to Work clients already trained could be at the parish hall to assist the public

Next meeting

6. The Connétable of St Lawrence was thanked for her hospitality and the Comité noted the next meeting would be on 12th December 2016.

Chairman*J M Refault*..... Date*12/12/2016*.....