

4 May 2021

Request

I would like to know the following concerning the ongoing dispute between Sutton Enterprises trading as the Hideout Cafe and the Parish of St Brelade. Mainly the cost to the St Brelade Rates Payer for the following -

- A) The Requeté raised by Karl Sutton and connected Parish Meeting called in the Summer of 2020;
- B) The Judicial Review reported about in the Media on the 2nd April 2021;
- C) The Royal Court Application by Karl Sutton on 1st April 2021 with associated costs for Legal representation by the Parish of St Brelade;
- D) Finally an estimate of the ongoing costs going forward to the St Brelade Parish Rates Payer for future Royal Court sittings including the scheduled sitting on the 15th April 2021?

Response

- A) The costs incurred for the Parish Assembly held on 27 October 2020 to consider the requête relating to the Hideout Café at La Pulente, excluding costs of staff, premises etc. which are not separately identified, are £700 for the recording of the meeting. Please note that the signatories to the requête mentioned in request A did not include Karl Sutton.
- B) and C) The fee for the Parish's legal representation up to 28 April 2021 is £27,269.53; this covers the directions hearings on 1 April and 15 April 2021.
- D) The cost of legal representation for the hearing on 15 April 2021 is included in the figure above. Information is not held on the estimate of ongoing costs including for the Royal Court sitting on 22 July 2021. The costs will not be known until late July 2021 when the Royal Court determines the Application and makes any order in relation to the costs to be met by the Parish.

