

Supervisory Committee Connétables de Jersey

Minutes of the meeting held on
Monday 12th June 2017
at the Parish Hall, St John.

Present:

Connétable de St Pierre - J. M. Refault, Vice Chairman
Connétable de St Héliér - A. S. Crowcroft (not present for items 1 – 3)
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 (not present for items 1 – 3)
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 15th May 2017, having been previously circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.
- Rates Lists 2. The Supervisory Committee, in accordance with Article 11 of the Rates (Jersey) Law 2005, and having noted that with the exception of St Peter where a review relating to non-domestic property remained to be heard, there were no review applications outstanding, received and approved the Rates Lists for the following parishes and three members of the Committee signed the form of declaration and certificate to be appended to each Approved Rate List certifying its approval as follows -
- St Clement – Connétables of St Ouen, St Mary and St Martin
St Peter – Connétables of Trinity, St John and St Martin
St Saviour – Connétables of St Peter, Trinity and St Ouen
- The Committee noted that the Rate Lists for the other Parishes would be approved in due course.
- Island wide rates 2017 3. The Supervisory Committee, with reference to its minute no. 2 of 15th May 2017, recalled that the Annual Island-wide Rate Figure for 2017 was £12,427,030 with 55% to be raised from the domestic rate and 45% from the non-domestic rate in accordance with the Rates (Apportionment) (Jersey) Regulations 2006. The Committee considered a paper showing an estimated 962 million domestic quarters and 458 million non-domestic quarters across the Island.
- The Committee accordingly calculated the Island-wide Domestic rate at 0.71 pence per quarter and the Island-wide Non-domestic rate at 1.23 pence per quarter for 2017, which would generate the Annual Island-wide Rate Figure. The Committee recalled that

ratepayers would receive the account for the Island-wide rate as soon as the Parish rate had been set by parishioners. Rates were payable on demand and a surcharge of 10% would be added to all amounts not paid within 3 months of the date of the bill.

The Committee requested the Chairman of the Comité des Connétables to present a report to the States to advise of the rates for 2017.

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rates

4. The Supervisory Committee, with reference to its minute no. 4 of 16th January 2017, was informed by the Connétable of St Helier that, in anticipation of the States approving the payment of parish rates on States properties in 2017, the Department for Infrastructure budget for the current year included funds for the payment of those rates. The Minister for Infrastructure had indicated his willingness to use the funds for parish projects but the Connétable of St Helier considered the funds should instead be paid to each parish so that the ratepayers could determine the projects they wished to undertake; this would be an ex-gratia payment and without any commitment to future decisions by the States on the payment of parish rates on properties owned by the States.

Chairman*L Norman*..... Date ...*10/07/2017*.....