Supervisory Committee Connétables de Jersey

Minutes of the meeting held on **Monday 17**th **June 2024** at the Parish Hall, Grouville.

Present:

Connétable de St Brélade - M. K. Jackson, Chairman

Connétable de St Hélier - A. S. Crowcroft (present for items 1 and 2)

Connétable de St Pierre - R. P. Vibert

Connétable de St Martin - Mrs K. Shenton-Stone

Connétable de St Jean - A. N. Jehan Connétable de Grouville - M. Labey Connétable de St Ouën - R. Honeycombe Connétable de Ste Marie - R. D. Johnson Connétable de St Sauveur - K. C. Lewis

Apologies for absence were received from the Connétable de St Laurent - Mrs D. W. Mezbourian, Vice Chairman, the Connétable de la Trinité - P. B. Le Sueur and the Connétable de St Clément - M. O'D. Troy.

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 13^{th} May 2024, having been previously circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

Approval of Rates Lists for 2024 2. The Supervisory Committee, in accordance with Article 11(1) of the Rates (Jersey) Law 2005, approved the Rates Lists for 2024 for the following parishes. The Committee noted that all Connétables had had the opportunity to view the rateable values in each Parish, as contained in the Rates Lists, using the Rates Online service. Three members of the Committee signed the form of declaration and certificate to be appended to each Approved Rates List certifying its approval as follows –

Parish:	Signed by:
St Brelade	Connétables of St John, St Mary and St Saviour
St Clement	Connétables of St John, St Mary and St Saviour
St Helier	Connétables of St John, St Mary and St Saviour
St John	Connétables of St Saviour, St Mary and Grouville
St Lawrence	Connétables of St Brelade, St Martin and St Ouen
St Martin	Connétables of St Brelade, St Peter and St Ouen
St Mary	Connétables of Grouville, St Helier and St Peter
St Peter	Connétables of St Martin, St Brelade and St Saviour
St Saviour	Connétables of St Helier, St Peter and Grouville
Trinity	Connétables of St Brelade, St Martin and St Ouen

Setting of 2024 Annual Island Wide Rates – Domestic and Non-domestic 3. The Supervisory Committee, with reference to its minute no. 2 of 13th May 2024, recalled that the Annual Island Wide Rates Figure (AIRF) for 2024 was £17,365,149 and, in accordance with the Rates (Apportionment) (Jersey) Regulations 2006, 55% of the Annual Island-wide Rates Figure shall be met from the domestic rate (£9,550,832) and 45% of the Annual Island-wide Rates Figure shall be met from the non-domestic rate (£7,814,317).

The Committee considered a paper showing an estimated 1,037 million domestic quarters and 572 million non-domestic quarters across the Island. The Committee, in accordance with Article 20(4) of the Rates (Jersey) Law 2005, calculated the Island-wide Domestic rate at 0.92 pence per quarter and the Island-wide Non-domestic rate at 1.37 pence per quarter for 2024. 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 approved a report on the calculation of the 2024 rates and requested the Chairman of the Comité des Connétables to present the report to the States.

Solar arrays – assessment of (OQ.114/2024)

4. The Supervisory Committee noted the oral question asked on 11th June 2024 by Deputy H.L. Jeune of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity of the Chair of the Comité des Connétables. The Committee noted that, having received the response, Deputy Jeune had suggested it would be useful to talk to the Chairman further after the States Assembly and it requested the Chairman to meet with the Deputy and to report further at a future meeting.

OQ.114/2024 "Will the Chair advise what consideration, if any, is being given to charging additional Parish rates on commercial properties with solar arrays; and, if such consideration is being given, will he explain the rationale for the change being considered?"

Next meeting	5. The Supervisory Committee agreed the next me	eeting would be on 12th July 2024.
	Chairman	Date