

Supervisory Committee Connétables de Jersey

Minutes of the meeting held on
Monday 19th May 2025
at the Parish Hall, St Clement.

Present:

Connétable de St Brélade - M. K. Jackson, Chairman
Connétable de la Trinité - P. B. Le Sueur
Connétable de St Pierre - R. P. Vibert
Connétable de St Jean - A. N. Jehan
Connétable de St Clément - M. O'D. Troy
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 and the Connétable de St Héliér - A. S. Crowcroft and the Connétable de St Martin - Mrs K. Shenton-Stone

In attendance: Mrs S. R. de Gruchy and Mrs S. J. Parkin as Secretary

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

Minutes	1. The minutes of the meeting held on 14 th April 2025, having been previously circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.
Island Wide Rate Process – payments to Treasury & Exchequer	<p>2. The Supervisory Committee noted that the Island Wide Rate Process agreed with the Treasury and Exchequer (T&E), Government of Jersey, was that two all inclusive (current year rates and any prior year) payments of Island-wide rates receipts be made, the first in November for that year's rates and the second in May of the following year.</p> <p>In relation to aged debts, the Government of Jersey recognised that where a debt was irrecoverable, prompt and regular write-off or remission of such debts was good practice. With respect to Island Wide Rates, T&E considered it reasonable that debts be written off where the debt had not been recovered after five years, and the Parish believed that all possible (and/or cost effective) debt enforcement actions had been exhausted. Where this was the case, T&E was to be informed when providing Island Wide Rate summaries of any debt to be written off, at which time provisions would be included within the Government of Jersey accounts to recognise such irrecoverable debt.</p>
2025 Annual Island Wide Rate Figure (AIRF)	3. The Supervisory Committee noted that Article 20(1) of the Rates (Jersey) Law 2005 provided that the sum to be levied from the Island-wide rate for any rateable year, known as the Annual Island-wide Rates Figure, should be the Annual Island-wide Rates Figure for the previous year adjusted by the percentage change in the Jersey Retail Prices Index (RPI) calculated by comparing the annual figure compiled for the quarter ending in March of that year with the annual figure compiled for the quarter ending in March of the previous year.

The Annual Island Wide Rates Figure (AIRF) for 2024 was £17,365,149 and so the calculation for the AIRF for 2025 was as follows (the headline RPI increase for 2025 was 2.3% compared to a 5.9% increase in 2024).

$$2024 \text{ AIRF} \times 2025 \text{ March index} / 2024 \text{ March index} = 2025 \text{ AIRF}$$

$$£17,365,149 \times 237.1 \div 231.8 = £17,762,195$$

In accordance with the Rates (Apportionment) (Jersey) Regulations 2006 -

(1) 55% of the Annual Island-wide Rates Figure shall be met from the domestic rate i.e. £9,769,207 (2024 - £9,550,832).

(2) 45% of the Annual Island-wide Rates Figure shall be met from the non-domestic rate i.e. £7,992,988 (2024 - £7,814,317).

The above figures had been confirmed by the Finance Business Partner supporting Revenue Jersey.

The Domestic and Non-domestic rates would be calculated when the Rates Lists for all Parishes had been finalised and would be approved at a future meeting of the Supervisory Committee.

Next meeting

4. The Supervisory Committee noted the next meeting would be held on 16th June 2025.

Chairman Date