

Comité des Connétables

Minutes of the meeting held on
Tuesday 13th April 2026
at Parish Hall, St Brelade.

Present:

Connétable de St Brélade - M. K. Jackson, Chairman
Connétable de St Laurent - Mrs D. W. Mezbourian, Vice Chairman
Connétable de St Martin - Mrs K. Shenton-Stone
Connétable de St Jean - A. N. Jehan
Connétable de St Ouën - R. Honeycombe
Connétable de Ste Marie - R. D. Johnson
Connétable de la Trinité - P. B. Le Sueur

Apologies:

Connétable de St Héliér - A. S. Crowcroft
Connétable de St Pierre - R. P. Vibert
Connétable de St Clément - M. O'D. Troy
Connétable de Grouville - M. Labey
Connétable de St Sauveur - K. C. Lewis

In attendance: 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 9th March 2026, having been previously circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

Draft Shops
(Regulation of
Opening and
Deliveries)
(Jersey) Repeal
Law 202-
(P.40/2026).

2. The Comité, with reference to its minute no. 7 of 9th March 2026, regarding the Draft Shops (Regulation of Opening and Deliveries) (Jersey) Repeal Law 202- (P.40/2026) noted that subsequent to the Comité's meeting held on 9th March 2026 that the Scrutiny Panel had received the Comité's comments on the draft law, and these were submitted and published on the Scrutiny website.

The Minister for Sustainable Economic Development had subsequently withdrawn the proposition prior to debate in the States Assembly and therefore, the current legislation remained in place.

Parishes and
Government
Scrutiny
Review Panel
(S.R.5/2026) –
Comité
submission

3. The Comité, with reference to its minute no. 4 of the 9th March 2026, noted that the Parishes and Government Scrutiny Review Panel had published a list of recommendations with its report (S.R.5/2026) following the review and that a response was asked of the Comité. The Comité noted that the previously scheduled Comité meeting on 25th March 2026 to solely discuss the response had been cancelled.

The Comité wished to respond and thank the Chair of the Parishes and Government Scrutiny Review Panel and express their appreciation for the thorough report and findings supporting the Parishes. However, considering the forthcoming elections on 7th June 2026, the present Comité was not in a position to commit to detailed responses or give the recommendations the level of attention they merited within the limited time remaining before the end of the Comité's term. The Comité would therefore refer the report and its recommendations to the incoming Comité des Connétables after the elections, enabling the newly elected Connétables to give the matters raised the full

attention, focus, and dedicated time they deserved over the course of the new Comité’s full term of office.

The Comité wished to include in the response its sincere thanks and appreciation for the time, effort, and diligence invested in the preparation of this report to the Chair of the Parishes and Government Scrutiny Review Panel, and her continued commitment to supporting the work of the Parishes.

Animal Welfare & Control Report (S.R.7/2026): – Comité response required by Friday 17th April 2026

4. The Comité noted that the Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel had published the Animal Welfare & Control Report (S.R.7/2026) and a response was asked of the Comité by 17th April 2026.

Considering the forthcoming elections on 7th June 2026, the present Comité was again not in a position to commit to detailed responses or give the recommendations the level of attention they merited within the limited time remaining before the end of its term. The Comité would refer the report and its recommendations to the incoming Comité des Connétables after the elections, enabling the newly elected Connétables to give these matters the full attention, focus, and dedicated time the items deserved over the course of their full term of office.

Elections – Comité des Chefs de Police

5. The Comité noted that on 16th March 2026 Centenier J. Camara had been re-elected as Chairman of the Comité des Chefs de Police however, the position of Vice Chair had been deferred until the next meeting.

Honorary Police Association – Accounts and Proposed Budget

6. The Comité received Vingtenier B. Wheaton, Honorary President of the Honorary Police Association (HPA), who presented the HPA accounts for 2025/2026 and the budget for 2026/2027.

The Comité had received a letter from the Honorary President of the HPA and considered the request to fund a subscription of £20 per officer which was an increase from the prior year’s £17 per officer. The £20 subscription fee per officer was to ensure sufficient funds were available to meet the cash flow and the HPA’s proposed budget for 2026/2027 and would be proposed at the forthcoming Honorary Police annual general meeting (AGM) on 24th April 2026. The Comité approved the £20 proposed subscription fee per officer.

Chairman Date