

**PARISH OF ST BRELADE**

**PARISH ASSEMBLY**

	Minutes of an Assembly of Principals and Electors of the Parish of St Brelade held at St Brelade's Parish Hall on Tuesday 29 April 2025 commencing at 19:00 hours.
<b>President of Assembly:</b>	Connétable M K Jackson, presided.
<b>Convening Notice:</b>	The Convening Notice was read by The Connétable.
<b>1. Minutes of Previous Assembly:</b>	The Minutes of the previous Assembly of Principals and Electors of The Parish of St Brelade held on 25 February 2025 were adopted and signed following a proposition by Deputy Jonathan Renouf which was seconded by Mr Christopher Cooke Procureur du Bien Public with all in favour.
<b>2. Elect One Vingtenier for the Vingtaine De Noirmont</b>	<p>The Connétable called for nominations for a Vingtenier for the Vingtaine De Noirmont.</p> <p>Chef De Police, Michel Bougeard proposed Jane Drew the nomination was seconded by John Holloway. There were no other nominations.</p> <p>The Connétable declared Jane Drew re-elected as Vingtenier for the Vingtaine De Noirmont and advised Jane Drew to appear before The Royal Court of Jersey to take the Oath of Office on Friday 02 May 2025 at 10am.</p>
<b>3. Consider and Approve, if necessary, an application for a Bailiff's Annual Entertainment Permit (P49) in respect of the premises known as The Oyster Box, La Route De La Baie, St Brelade, this will permit regular entertainment events to be held throughout the year.</b>	<p>The Director of J P Restaurants, Dominic Jones addressed the assembly regarding the application for an Annual Entertainment Permit (P49) for The Oyster Box.</p> <p>Mr Jones advised they would like to apply for an Annual Permit, he advised they already play background music but would like to have a DJ or an Acoustic guitar in the restaurant, Mr Jones also stated that The Oyster Box is a restaurant and customers dining like to talk over their meal and therefore the music would not be loud.</p> <p>Dep Moz Scott, asked if the opening hours would change, Mr Jones confirmed that the restaurant hours would remain the unchanged.</p> <p>There were no further questions a vote was taken with 29 votes in favour and none against, it was proposed by Mr Julian Bernstein, Procureur Du Bien Public and seconded by Mr Christopher Cooke, Procureur Du Bien Public.</p>
<b>4. To agree that a sum of up to</b>	The Connétable read out the request for Maison St Brelade and then handed over to the Parish Financial Controller, Adam

**£90,000 is utilised under the terms established within the funds accumulated in the affordable homes scheme, which allows for ongoing maintenance and improvement in nursing home accommodation so that Maison St Brelade can install up to 122 Solar Panels. The Price is inclusive of supply, fitting and all associated work including scaffolding.**

Hodgins to explain the request to use up to £90,000 from the Affordable Home Scheme ("The Scheme") to the fund the purchase, Installation & associated works of up to 122 Solar Panels at Maison St Brelade, Mr Hodgkins gave an overview of how the scheme functions and that currently, the scheme fund stood at £639,157.50 following the sale of five affordable homes. The scheme does not accrue interest from these funds as Jersey Revenue might see the interest as being taxable, hence they remained within the overall reserves of the Parish. Mr Hodgkins continued to explain the scheme was administered by the Parish by The Scheme Rules, drawn up at its inception which gives guidance in the use of the funds, Quoting from these rules, Mr Hodgkins stated that the accumulated funds as administered by the Parish can be utilised for the ongoing maintenance of improvement of nursing home accommodation hence the request to the Parish Assembly for the release of funds from the scheme. Mr Hodgkins added that the amount requested would leave the scheme fund with almost £550,000 with several more properties still within the scheme.

The Connétable mentioned about looking at next step for distribution of these funds for first time buyers maybe devise a scheme in the future.

Mark, from Sun Works explained the technical aspects of the project, he stated that Masion St Brelade annual electric bill was approx. £42,000 unchecked by having the Solar Panels it would reduce the annual bill by approx. £7000. The system will pay for itself in around 8 years. Masion St Brelade have a high level of usage.

Michel Bougeard asked what the life expectancy of the system would be, Mark advised 30 years plus, with regular maintenance checks.

Steve Pallet thanked The Connétable for asking for his opinion about the fund which set up in Steve's reign. looking at the interest of Masion St Brelade and said that he understood the financial position of Masion St Brelade and was in support of this project, however it would be good if some of the funds could be used to assist first time buyers and if anyone had any ideas on this could be achieved going forward.

Michel Bougeard mentioned about funds being used for young people, however giving money to fund the project for the elderly is a good use of funds and now is the time to do it.

The Connétable agreed.

Mrs Pearce asked about this affordable home scheme worked and why had people not heard about it.

The Connétable advised it is not advertised as it not been decided on the mechanism for distribution.

	<p>Christopher Cooke replied stating that the Affordable Home Scheme was not a secret and is referred to every year in the annual accounts in the July accounts Parish Assembly.</p> <p>Dep Jonathan Renouf stated with using the funds for Masion St Brelade there is still a substantial amount of funds left, he also mentioned that he has solar panels and you can manage your usage of electric with timing of day or night.</p> <p>Alan Breckon mentioned that Mark and his team at Sun Works would be carrying out the work, and the saving for the care home would be beneficial as there are not many ways for the care home to save money, he also asked about the maintenance and cleaning of the solar panels.</p> <p>Mark from Sun Works stated that they can be cleaned however the rain tends to clean the panels, the system is low maintenance and is self-managing, connected to the Wifi which is monitored centrally and if any faults arose they would know about it straight away. Mark mentioned that you can see how and when the system is using the most energy. There is an annual maintenance fee.</p> <p>There were no further questions a vote was taken with 22 votes in favour and none against, it was proposed by Alan Breckon and seconded by Dep Jonathan Renouf.</p>
<p><b>5. To take into consideration and, if deemed advisable, to adopt a recommendation of the Parish Roads Committee that the Parish enter into a Contract of Agreement with Mr &amp; Mrs Cooke in order to clarify the position of the passageway owed by the Parish, off La Route De La Baie; the passageway joining to the west to the property "Makai" owned</b></p>	<p>The Connétable stated that as the Property was sold and re-developed, it is purely to regulise the present boundaries of the property. There was a fence which was in poor condition and the new owners have erected a wall that will be the boundary. It wasn't clearly defined in law and that is the reason for this agenda item.</p> <p>Mr Socrates asked about the 2 entrances from the property. The Connétable confirmed there are 2 entrances, one is for access to the bin store and the other is allowing the owners to access the promenade.</p> <p>A discussion was had with reference to access to the public pathway and access to the beach front, along with storage of bins from the owner and the public Euro bin.</p> <p>Carlo Riva of Carlo Riva Architects, stated that the property had gone through the planning process. The planners suggested a more discreet opening as there is already one entrance and the owners have replaced the fence with a granite wall which is low Maintenance.</p> <p>Mr Socrates had some concerns with access to the footpath. The Connétable stated the footpath is a public path and it does have a right of way on it. The entrances were already there when the old fence was erect. A previous owner had given the parish the path.</p>

<p><b>by Mr &amp; Mrs Cooke, Mr &amp; Mrs Cooke will pay all reasonable legal fees involved, and to authorise the Connétable and Procureurs du Bien Public to pass the said Contract of Arrangement before The Royal Court of Jersey.</b></p>	<p>Paul Beaugié stated that nothing has changed with the existing rights</p> <p>Mr Mike Videgrain mentioned that there is a fence there already and just to confirm there will be a granite wall replacing the fence.</p> <p>Carlo Riva advised Mike Videgrain that the fence has already been replaced, and the granite wall has been built.</p> <p>There were no further questions a vote was taken with 23 votes in favour and 3 votes against, it was proposed by Paul Beaugié and seconded by Centenier Wright.</p>
	<p>There being no further business the Chairman thanked the people present for their attendance and declared the meeting closed at 20.00 hours.</p> <p>Signed : _____ Dated : _____</p> <p><b>M K Jackson Connétable</b></p>