

MINUTES OF AN ELECTORAL AND PARISH ASSEMBLY HELD IN THE PARISH HALL ON WEDNESDAY 8th FEBRUARY 2023 AT 7.30PM

PRESENT: Le Connétable, Le Recteur, Jurat David Le Heuze, Deputies Kirsten Morel, Andy Howell, Elaine Millar and 51 Parishioners.

APOLOGIES: Deputy Hilary Jeune, Julian Guegan, Kevin Armstrong

Le Connétable opened the meeting and thanked all for attending, giving a special welcome to Jurat Le Heuze who, in the event of an election will be presiding for St John on Polling Day. He also welcomed three of the four deputies for our Constituency.

Details of how the Assembly would progress, starting with the Electoral Assembly followed by the Parish Assembly and ending with 45 minute Q & A with the Connétable and the Deputies, were given.

Le Connétable then read out the convening Notice for the Electoral Assembly:

St John Parish Nomination Meeting

A Nomination meeting will be held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 8th February 2023 at the Parish Hall to:

1. Elect one Procureur du Bien Publique for a three year term of office.
2. Elect one Centenier for a three year term of office.

A nomination form for each candidate must be produced to the meeting and must be completed by a proposer and nine seconders who are electors in the Parish.

In this election:

- If there are more candidates than vacancies a poll will be held on Wednesday 8th March 2023.
- If there are **not** more candidates than vacancies any duly nominated candidate will be declared elected at the nomination meeting

To vote in this election you must have registered by midday on Tuesday 7th February 2023.

All Electors are welcome to attend.

A N Jehan
Connetable

26 January 2023

The notice had been duly displayed in the Church Box for the required period of time and the Reverend Beverley Sproats has signed to confirm.

1. To begin Le Connétable thanked Stephen Hewlett for the forty years' service he has given to the Parish of St John in various roles. He then asked for nominations to fill the role of Procureur du Bien Publique. Symond Monins stood to read a statement prepared by Calum Renault as the Proposer for Trevor Tirel:

Good evening ladies and gentlemen.

My name is Callum Renault and I would like to nominate and propose the appointment of Trevor Tirel to the post of Procureur du Bien Publique.

I have known Trevor for over 40 years and I believe he has the skills, experience, knowledge and integrity to carry out this role.

Trevor has worked in the offshore banking sector for many years and has held senior positions including:

- *Director of Operations*
- *Chair of the risk and compliance and change management committees*

Trevor was also treasurer for St John's football club.

Trevor's numerous skills include all facets of:

- *Operations*
- *Risk*
- *Compliance*
- *Audit*
- *Budgets*
- *Projects*
- *Making businesses more effective and efficient*

Mr Monins added to the statement by saying he had known Trevor for 50 years, mainly through the work they did with St John Football Club where Trevor was Treasurer and Club Member having represented the club at home and overseas. He said he was a valuable team player and would be an asset to the Parish of St John Administration.

I hope you support this nomination.

Thank you!

Mr Monins then read out the full nomination paper of proposer and nine seconders and handed the completed paper to Le Connétable.

2. Le Connetable then asked for nominations for the role of Centenier. Philip Rondel stood to nominate Jonathan Plunkett, The Lord Louth saying that he had successfully completed a number of terms and that he was delighted that he was, once again, putting his name forward. Mr Rondel then read the full nomination paper of proposer and nine seconders and handed the completed form to Le Connétable.

To comply with the Law that the Electoral Assembly should last a minimum of 10 minutes Le Connétable said a few words in recognition of Stephen Hewlett and Jonathan Plunkett.

Steve Hewlett has been in the Municipality for 40 years and if my calculations are correct I am the 8th Constable Steve has worked with.

Starting as a Roads Inspector, I think he took over from his late father in law. Stephen spent time in the Honorary Police where he was both a CO and the Secretary. I can tell you that he was a very good Secretary as I took over from him and he had set a very high bar.

Stephen returned to Roads this time as a member of the Roads Committee. I know from both my own time as a Procureur and in speaking to Constables that Steve was a very valued member of the Roads Committee. Steven worked tirelessly on finding a resolution for the footpath at Les Ruettes In 2014 there was a role reversal this time Stephen took over from me as Procureur a role he has held for the last 9 years. Again, Stephen has worked hard in this post and has been a valued member of the Team. I am delighted to confirm that Stephen has agreed to continue supporting the Parish as he has

agreed to remain on the Greenwood Housing Association, providing us with his experience and some continuity.

Jonathan has served as Centenier since 2008 and in more recent years has taken on the role of Chef du Police. He brings with him a wealth of knowledge and experience.

Le Connetable then asked if there were any further nominations for Procureur du Bien Publique. As there were none, he announced that Trevor Tirel was duly elected to the role and welcomed him to the Municipality. He warned him to appear at the Royal Court on Friday 10th March at 10am to be sworn in.

Le Connetable then asked if there were any further nominations for the role of Centenier. As there were none, he announced that Jonathan Plunkett, The Lord Louth was duly elected for another term of office. He warned him to appear at the Royal Court on Friday 10th March at 10am to be sworn in.

The Electoral Assembly closed at 7.45pm.

Le Connétable then read the convening notice for the Parish Assembly and confirmed that it had been duly displayed for the required period and signed by the Reverend Beverley Sproats.

Parish Assembly

A **Parish Assembly** will follow at 7.45pm on Wednesday 8th February 2023 at the Parish Hall to:

1. Receive and if deemed advisable approve the Minutes of the Parish Assembly held on Thursday 15th December 2022
2. Elect a Vingtenier for the Vingtaine Herupe and a Vingtenier for the Vingtaine Douet
3. Elect Officiers du Connétable where required.
4. To consider the following application for the recommendation to the Licensing Assembly:

Name: La Collette Wholesale Group
Address: La Collette, La Rue Matthew Valpy, St Helier JE2 3NX
Secretary: Anne Hague
Business: Boucher du Nord
Address: 2 Temple Court, La Rue de Temple, St John JE3 4BJ
Category: Sixth

5. Ask the Assembly to vote an amount not exceeding £5,000 to assist the Parish in hosting celebrations in honour of the Coronation of King Charles III and Liberation 78

Andrew N Jehan
Connétable

26 January 2023

1. Minutes from the Assembly held on Thursday 15th December, having been circulated to the Assembly, were approved by Richard Dupre, Seconded by Centenier Andy Bisson and unanimously approved by the Assembly.

2. Before asking for nominations for the two vacant positions Le Connétable gave thanks to the two retiring Officers:

Maxine Fergusson has served in Honorary Police since 2008 a valued member of the team. I had the pleasure of accompanying Max and other colleagues to Government House when she received her long service medal and she is also due to receive her Platinum Jubilee medal later this month. In addition to her duties Max will be missed for a number of reasons, Max has been the lead for the Speed signs, putting these up and moving when necessary, she has also been the Secretary. If that isn't enough, Max has been the Chair of the Honorary Police Training Committee, organising events and attending most if not all of these, in fact last night Max was at St Martin where I joined Hon colleagues for a Safeguarding event. Max was still there long after we had left.

Janet Park has completed two terms in the Honorary Police serving since 2017 During Covid Janet was kept very busy helping Islanders as part of the Covid team whilst still doing what she could for us here in the Parish. In stepping down Janet tells me she is still going to take a keen interest and looks forward to assisting the Parish in the future.

Le Connétable then asked for nominations:

Philip Rondel stood to nominate Sharnie Olliver for the role of Vingtenier in the Vingtaine du Herupe. Sharnie has been in the Honorary Police for a number of years as both a CO and Vingtenier and is now putting his name forward again for another term. This proposal was seconded by Ron Le Herissier.

Mr Rondel stood again to nominate Ian Averty. Ian has served in the Honorary police before taking a brief break to become a Rates Assessor. He returned as a CO in December 2021 and has now put his name forward to be a Vingtenier for a three year term in the Vingtaine du Douet. This proposal was seconded by Stephen Masters.

There being no further nominations Le Connetable thanked both Mr Olliver and Mr Averty for putting their names forward and warned them to attend Court on Friday 10th March at 10am to be sworn in.

3. Le Connetable then asked the Assembly if there were any nominations for the role of Officiers du Connétable. Centenier Jonathan Plunkett, The Lord Louth stood to update the Assembly that a number of potential candidates have put their names forward and we would hopefully be in a position to fill the remaining roles in the near future.
4. Toby Kramer introduced himself to the Assembly as the Manager of La Collette Cold Store with responsibility for Boucher du Nord, together with Adrian Le Heuze who is Manager of the shop at Temple Court, St John. They are looking to obtain a 6th Category Licence to bolster what they already offer in the shop at the moment. They will mainly be looking at holding a supply of red wine, ales and draft beers.

Neil Cotillard proposed the nomination. John Woodward seconded the proposal. Le Connétable asked if anyone had any questions regarding the application, there were none. The application was unanimously approved by the Assembly.

5. Le Connétable gave the Assembly details of the planned events to celebrate the Coronation of King Charles III and Liberation 78. A Family Fun Day is planned to take place on Sunday 7th May at St Johns Recreation Centre. Tickets will be sold to have Hog Roast or BBQ on the day. Stage and sound system will set up and will host local bands and choirs over the course of the day. Bouncy Castle, Carousel, Activity area for Children. Beer Tent. Parish Clubs and Associations to take part. The Parish is asking the Assembly to vote a sum of money, not exceeding £5,000, to assist with the infrastructure of the event.

David Morris proposed the sum of money requested. Michel Larose seconded the proposition. This was voted in unanimously by the Assembly.

Le Connétable thanked everyone for attending and, there being no further business, closed the meeting at 7.55pm

Signed.....
Le Connétable