

**General Services Committee Meeting**  
**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> September 2019**  
**Anne French Room**  
**1030 hours**

**Mr G McKinley, Chairman**  
**Mr K Gentle**  
**Mr M Dean**  
**Ms A Burgess (from 11.25am)**  
**Mr C Harris**  
**Mr S Roberts**

**Mrs S Pengilley-Price, Executive Officer**  
**Mrs E Maurice, Acting Head of Finance**  
**Mrs L Baines, Committee Secretary**  
**Mr A Bray, Head of Estates, Environment & Infrastructure**

**Apologies:**

**In Attendance: K Hatcher-Gaudion, Capital Projects Co-ordinator, for item 53/2019, 54/2019 & 55/2019;**

**53/2019 Capital Projects**

**53.1 Capital Projects Update** – Report from Capital Projects Co-ordinator dated August & September 2019 tabled and noted.

**Town Pavements** – the Finance Committee raised concerns regarding the rescinded decision of the test area.

**The General Services Committee stated that they approved for this test area to be done at the last meeting, and would like to see this completed. Noted. It was noted that Finance Committee had requested that any business case for the works take into consideration measures required to reduce vehicular damage of any proposed improvements. Noted.**

**Committee Approval Limit** – it was noted that a recommendation is to be tabled at P&F from Finance Committee to increase the Committee approval limit to £150k.

**Old Connaught/ Old Fire Station Update** – it was noted that the contractor had been appointed for the works to the Old Fire Station and works had commenced. In regard to the Old Connaught, it was noted that tenders have been received and were being reviewed by the Project Manager and it was anticipated that a contractor, based on these findings would be appointed shortly.

**The General Services Committee agreed to:**

- **Note the report; and**
- **Ratify the email approval of Water Board Phase 9 – Lower Section at £55k from capital account (grant funded by SoA).**

**54/2019 Head of Estates, Environment & Infrastructure Report** –Report from Head & Deputy of Estates, Environment & Infrastructure dated August & September 2019 tabled and **noted**.

**The General Services Committee agreed to:**

- **Note the report;**
- **HEEI to research other long term strategy/options for the green waste site; and**
- **Approve to explore options and further investigations to grade materials rather than tip at the Impot.**

**HEEI/AGENDA ITEM**

**54.2 Fort Doyle Sewage Screening System** – Report from Head of Estates, Environment & Infrastructure dated September 2019 tabled and noted.

Mr Roberts expressed his reservations, and the need for public consultation. Noted.

**The General Services Committee resolved to approve (Mr Roberts and Mr Dean abstained):**

- **Option 2, the installation of a Huber sewage screening unit as the preferred option;**
- **Engage Geomarine to complete the necessary designs and installation;**
- **The submission of a planning application on behalf of GSC; and**
- **Capital funding of up to £130k to include design costs, planning fees, supply of unit, installation of unit, water/electrical services, and project management etc as listed in the report.**

HEEI

#### **55/2019 Harbour and Fisheries**

**55.1 Harbour Crane Replacement** – Report from Assistant Harbour Master dated 10<sup>th</sup> September 2019 tabled and noted.

**The General Services Committee agreed to defer the item, and for a special meeting to be held with Harbour Staff and key stakeholders to discuss the crane replacement.**

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#### **56/2019 Recreation, Welfare and Environment**

**56.1 Dog Freedom Field Project** – Email from AAWS dated 15<sup>th</sup> August 2019 tabled and noted.

**The General Services Committee refused the request (Mr Harris abstained).**

**56.2 Traffic Safety Mirror Request** – Email dated 29<sup>th</sup> August 2019 tabled and noted.

**The General Services Committee agreed (Mr Gentle and Mr Dean abstained) for a safety mirror to be attached to the empty pole opposite the Vicarage drive.**

EO

**56.3 Update on Environmental Strategy** – Report from Strategic Adviser dated 6<sup>th</sup> August 2019 tabled and noted.

**The General Services Committee agreed:**

- **To take advantage of the resources being deployed in Guernsey to progress habitat and species protection legislation, subject to Alderney retaining legislative control for these issues; and**
- **That it is potentially interested in recommending the States to declare a climate emergency, subject to further consideration of the merits/demerits and liaison with the relevant authorities in the States of Guernsey.**

SA

#### **56.4 Hole in Bunker – Item Withdrawn**

**56.5 Permission for using Alderney Natural Resources – FOR RATIFICATION** – Email from Chief Executive's Office dated 26<sup>th</sup> July 2019 tabled and noted.

**The General Services Committee agreed to ratify the approval for the use of natural resources for arts and crafts.**

#### **57/2019 Roads and Transport**

**57.1 Water Lane Resurface** – Email from Estates, Environment & Infrastructure Manager tabled and noted.

**The General Services Committee agreed in principle (Mr Dean and Mr Gentle abstained) to the resurface project for Water Lane, as specified in the email (costs to be determined). It was noted that drainage is included in the project.**

**MEEI**

**57.2 Mainbrayce Vehicle** – Letter from Mainbrayce Ltd dated 26<sup>th</sup> August 2019 tabled and noted.

**The General Services Committee refused the application (Mr McKinley and Ms Burgess abstained) on the following grounds:**

1. **The vehicle was imported onto the island using details that did not accurately reflect the vehicle in question, as evidenced on the vehicle import application form and subsequently the issue of the import permit is questionable;**
2. **Whilst advised that the vehicle would be kept on the Glacis, the Harbour office and States Works have advised that this is not possible as the area will be required shortly over winter for boats that will be coming ashore from their moorings and that the vehicle (due to its size) will also cause an obstruction to the Waste and Recycling activities in this area;**
3. **The Committee noted that the use of a crane for the business would be useful for the lifting in and out of engines from boats, but they were adamant that this activity could not be carried out in the Inner Harbour area and that whilst assurances have been given that the vehicle/crane would not be used in competition with the services provided by the Harbour it is insinuated within the letter received that the crane would be utilised to lift out boats.**

**HEEI/EO**

**57.3 Traffic Sign Update**

It was noted that a letter had been sent, but no reply received. SWD to repaint the no entry line at the top of Victoria Street. **Noted.**

**HEEI**

**58/2019 Any Other Business**

**Butes Car Park/Belle Vue Development** – Mr Dean and HEEI met with developer. Main door to be recessed, and railings to be added round the pavements – this option causes no change to be made to the car park. **Noted.**

Mr Dean and HEEI to draft letter to developer re safety measures. **Noted.**

**HEEI/MD**

**School Crossing – Agreed.** HEEI to deal.

**HEEI**

**Telegraph Tower** – awaiting condition report – to be circulated to members once received. Agenda Item for next meeting. **Noted.**

It was advised that the bus and boat are in the process of being dismantled and shipped off island. **Noted.**

**Water Stations** – Issue raised at FC. Committee agreed that the Harbour and Airport would be two best locations to start. Costings to be researched. HEEI to deal.

**HEEI**

**Whitegates Handover** – in progress. **Noted.**

**CD Bunker – Request for Use** – it was advised that the bunker is still used as a secure unit by the States, therefore not currently available for rental. Mr Harris to liaise with applicant.

**CH**

**Police Update** – invite to next meeting.

**York Hill** – leased by School. Concerns were raised that the area has become a congregating point for children, which has increased in litter etc. Mr Gentle to liaise with Head Master. **Noted.**

**KG**

**Fort Grosnez** – dismantling of cranes has begun. **Noted.**

SWD Team thanked for hard work in keeping the Island looking clean and tidy with current resource shortages. **Noted.**

**59/2019 For Information & Noting**

**The following reports were tabled and noted:**

- **Alderney Epic Race – Mountain Biking Event** – encouragement given for this to become a longer annual event. **Noted.**

**Meeting Closed: 1.05pm**

**Signed: Graham McKinley**

**Date: 11<sup>th</sup> September 2019**