# General Services Committee Meeting Anne French Room Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2016 1415

Mr I Tugby, Chairman Mrs N Paris Mr S Roberts Mr C Rowley Mr G McKinley Mrs E Maurice, Assistant Treasurer Mrs S Pengilley Price, Executive Assistant Mrs L Baines, Minute Secretary Mr A Bray, Technical Services Officer

Apologies: Mr W. Victor Brownlees, Chief Executive, Mrs K A Hatcher-Gaudion, Treasurer

In attendance: Mr M Gaudion, Harbour Master for item 29/2016

## 28/2016 Matters Arising

**28.1 SWD Projects Update** – Report from Technical Services Officer dated 8<sup>th</sup> June 2016 tabled and **noted**.

**Asbestos Store** – the TSO stated that the current store is now full and needs to be filled, flattened and grassed over. Alternative methods of disposal were briefly discussed, with shipping it off island, or locating a new site. TSO to seek further professional advice.

1430 Harbour Master joined meeting

# 29/2016 Harbour and Fisheries

**Harbour Report** – the Harbour Master stated he had received some comments that the Bumblebee service could benefit from further marketing in Guernsey. The Assistant Treasurer advised that a marketing campaign had commenced in Guernsey to promote the Bumblebee Services in accordance with the agreement.

Alderney Shipping are to start sea trials with an ex Isle of White ferry that has a passenger capacity of 41 people.

It was noted that 2 seasonal boatman had recently been appointed and that at the end of the season, steps would be taken to replace the existing vacancies. Due to staffing issues, the opening hours of the Harbour Office have been reduced by 2 hours per day to cover the shift rota. It was requested that pilotage needs be re-considered when new staff were recruited however the Harbourmaster explained the issues surrounding covering these duties within current staffing.

Pointing Works –TSO and Harbour Master to discuss the different options as provided by the Haskonings Report or via remedial works through a tender process.

Boat Park – Due to timescales, it was agreed that the Harbourmaster would circulate details of costings relating to the Boat Park to the Committee by email.

1455 Harbour Master left meeting

### 28.1 SWD Projects Update - Continued

**Skate Park** – EIA tabled and noted. It was noted that the States do not own the Skate Park equipment at this time. The TSO advised that in his opinion York Hill would not be a suitable relocation site due to its dangerous position and limited emergency vehicle access. It was noted that there had been no further progression with the sound proofing of the skate park,

which had been approved in early 2015. TSO to investigate why this option had not been progressed and reassess the benefits. .

The Committee agreed for the TSO to arrange a meeting to be arranged with the Youth Leader, Police, Headmaster, the fundraising Committee and youth representatives, together with the objectors to discuss all options. Members to suggest any additional potential invitees for this meeting to the TSO by the 30<sup>th</sup> June 2016. Mrs Paris to email objectors with a progress report.

TSO/NP

#### 28.2 Glass Crusher Update

The TSO provided approximate costings for a Glass Crusher; the cheapest option being approx. £5k, rising to £44k for a machine similar to that used in Guernsey. It was noted that some complaints had been received regarding the unsightly area of glass tipping at Mannez Quarry. This has been screened off to improve the area. The TSO advised the Committee that a pilot plant would be useful to see what the final product would be like.

## **30/2016** General Works (including Agriculture)

**30.1 Staffing** - Noted that a member of staff had recently left employment. It was agreed that work should be outsourced if necessary.

**30.2 Braye Common** - Some concern was raised that the Common had been cut shorter than in previous years.

## 31/2016 Recreation, Welfare and Environment (including States Land)

31.1 Proposed New Building at Inner Harbour – See Confidential Annexure

<u>31.2 Old Fire Station</u> – Letter from Mr & Mrs Green dated 14<sup>th</sup> June 2016, and two States of Alderney Comments Forms dated 31<sup>st</sup> May 2016 tabled and **noted**. It was noted that the future of the building would be reviewed by the Property Asset Management Group however any property sales would require States approval and would be advertised appropriately. The Committee queried where the old fire engine has been stored. TSO to enquire.

PAMG/TSO

#### 32/2016 Roads and Transport

<u>32.1 Road Closure Request</u> – Road Closure/Bins Skips & Barriers List for Alderney Week 2016 tabled and **approved.** 

<u>32.2 Queen's Street Party – For Ratification</u> – Email dated 13<sup>th</sup> May 2016 tabled and noted. The Committee ratified the approval for the closure of QEII Street from 9am to 6pm on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> June for the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday.

**32.3 Remedial & Resurfacing Works to Roads** – Report from Ronez dated 19<sup>th</sup> April 2016 tabled and noted.

It was reported that Ronez are visiting the island in September to commence patch repairs to the runway. If the Committee decide to include the remedial and resurfacing works to the roads while Ronez are on island, approximately £20k can be saved — with the mobilisation costs reduced by half. It was noted that the costings for the work needed to include a contingency and any additional in house labour/ supervision time. The Assistant Treasurer advised that there is £300k in the CIEF budget for the works however full approvals would still be required.

The GSC Committee agreed for the remedial and resurfacing works to be carried out in September 2016 within the £300k budget. TSO to put together full costings and approval request for consideration by Policy and Finance Committee by email due to time restraints.

**TSO/ BILLET** 

<u>32.4 14 Braye Road</u> – Site Report dated 4<sup>th</sup> June 2016 and email dated 31<sup>st</sup> May 2016 tabled and discussed.

The Committee agreed for the pavement to be raised with a metal panel placed across for vehicle access, at the owner's cost. TSO to deal.

TSO

<u>32.5 Taxi Complaint</u> – Letter from complainant dated 31<sup>st</sup> May 2016 tabled and noted. CE Office to investigate the code of conduct regarding taxi licences, and a warning letter to be issued.

**CE OFFICE** 

**32.6 Letter re Parking on Yellow Lines** – Letter from Miss Curth dated 26<sup>th</sup> May 2016 tabled and **noted.** 

The TSO reported that Mr Abreu had logged a complaint regarding parking outside his house and garage in La Trigale.

Mr McKinley and TSO to meet with Police to look at ways to address the issues raised.

**GM/TSO** 

<u>32.7 Mirror & Parking Restriction Request</u> – Letter from Noel Peck dated 3<sup>rd</sup> June 2016 tabled and discussed.

The Committee stated that they had no objection for a mirror to be placed on Mr Peck's property at his own expense.

<u>32.8 HGV Licences</u> – Report from Norma Paris dated 12<sup>th</sup> June 2016 tabled and discussed.

It was suggested that Mr Tugby should abstain for this issue due to conflicts of interest. However, Mr Tugby stated that he would not leave the meeting as he didn't believe he was compromised.

CE Office to obtain a letter from the insurance companies regarding a potential Alderney Licence. It was noted that there is no administrative support to take on the issuing and upkeep of the licences.

It was proposed that the States could look at the option of hiring a suitable vehicle, perhaps twice a year from Guernsey to enable HGV practical tests to be undertaken in Alderney. CE Office to deal.

**CE OFFICE** 

**32.9 Disabled Parking** – Email from Fran Jennings dated 21<sup>st</sup> June 2016 tabled and noted.

The Committee approved the designation of a Generic Disabled Parking Space in the rear car park of the Island Hall for use by holders of a Disabled Parking permit.

TSO

#### 33/2016 Any Other Business

**33.1** Bus Shelter – Whitegates – the committee agreed to the repainting of the bus shelter at Whitegates.

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**33.2** Land – Whitegates – The committee agreed to the leasing of land at Whitegates to Mrs Allen-Herivel It was also agreed that the Planning Office be instructed to review all States of Alderney Agricultural Land that could be leased with a view to advertising and vacant areas.

# TREASURY/PLANNING OFFICE

**34/2016** Press Releases - None.

# 35/2016 For Information

The following reports were tabled and noted:

- Harbour Monthly Report May/June 2016
- GA Data
- Elizabethan Wreck Dive Permit

Meeting closed: 4.55pm

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 4<sup>th</sup> October 2016

Signed: Ian Tugby Date: 30<sup>th</sup> June 2016