

Supervisory Committee Connétables de Jersey

Minutes of the meeting held on
Monday 14th November 2016
at the Parish Hall, St Lawrence.

Present:

Connétable de St Clément - L. Norman, Chairman
Connétable de St Pierre - J. M. Refault, Vice Chairman
Connétable de St Héliér - A. S. Crowcroft
Connétable de St Laurent - Mrs D. W. Mezbourian
Connétable de Ste Marie - Mrs J. Gallichan
Connétable de St Ouën - M. J. Paddock
Connétable de St Brélade - S. W. Pallett
Connétable de St Martin - M. P. S. Le Troquer
Connétable de St Sauveur - Mrs S. A. Le Sueur-Rennard
Connétable de Grouville - J. E. Le Maistre
Connétable de St Jean - C. H. Taylor
Connétable de la Trinité - P. B. Le Sueur

In attendance:

Mrs S. R. de Gruchy, Secretary

Non-exempt (public) under Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011

Rates
(Amendment)
(Jersey) Law
2016 -
Chairman and
Vice Chairman

1. The Supervisory Committee, with reference to its minute no. 2 of 14th March 2016, noted that the Rates (Amendment) (Jersey) Law 2016 had come into force on 28th October 2016. The Committee, in accordance with Article 43(2)(b) as amended, invited nominations for a person to act as Chairman and a person to act as Vice Chairman. The Connétable of St Mary proposed, and the Connétable of St Lawrence seconded, the nomination of the Connétable of St Clement as Chairman and, there being no other nominations, the Connétable of St Clement was duly elected. The Connétables of St Mary and St Lawrence also proposed the nomination of the Connétable of St Peter as Vice Chairman and, there being no other nominations, the Connétable of St Peter was duly elected.

The Committee also noted the amendment to Article 43(3) relating to quorum and voting which now provided as follows:

- (3) At a meeting of the Supervisory Committee –
- (a) the quorum is to be determined by the Committee but shall be at least 7 of its members;
 - (b) in the case of an equality of votes the Chairman or the Vice-Chairman if presiding, has a second or casting vote; and
 - (c) a member shall not be present during the consideration of any matter relating to land in which the member is personally interested as owner, occupier or otherwise (except as Connétable of the parish in which the land is situated).

Minutes

2. The minutes of the meeting held on 24th October 2016, having been previously circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

Draft Finance
(2017 Budget)
(Jersey) Law
201-
(P.113/2016)

3. The Supervisory Committee, with reference to its minute no. 3 of 24th October 2016, received the Financial Director, Parish of St Helier, and discussed the Draft Finance (2017 Budget) (Jersey) Law 201- (P.113/2016). The Committee considered draft comments which might be presented to the States Assembly and which expressed the view that:

- the grounds for revaluing land had not been made and it did not support the proposed amendments to the Rates (Jersey) Law 2005 concerning the determination of rateable values, and
- it did not support the proposed amendments to the Rates (Jersey) Law 2005 to provide for the parishes' and States' liability for rates (for Island-wide rates and for parish rates respectively).

The Committee, having noted that the Connétable of St Helier dissented from the comment regarding the parishes' and States' liability for rates, confirmed that comments should be presented (in the name of the Comité des Connétables) and requested a revised draft be circulated for approval. The Financial Director was thanked for attending and then withdrew from the meeting.

Chairman*J M Refault*..... Date*12/12/2016*.....