



Paroisse de Ste. Marie

Comité des Chemins

Minutes of meeting on Thursday 13th March 2025 at 5:00pm

Present: David Johnson(DJ) (Connetable and Chair), Peter Le Liard (PieL), Trevor Le Sage (TieS), Alan Moullin (AM), Peter Routier (PR) (Parish Secretary)

Apologies: Revd K Allan

		Action
1.	The Minutes of the Meetings held on 28th January 2025 were approved.	
2.	<p>Matters Arising:</p> <p>It was noted that Jersey Electricity's plans for a solar farm had been temporarily withdrawn.</p> <p>DJ would contact the owners of Stuart Farm, La Chève Rue again to progress the issue of the boundary of their property with the road.</p>	DJ
3.	The reports of the Roads Inspectors had been circulated and their contents were duly noted.	
4.	It was reported that the balance remaining on the Roads Account as of 11th March 2025 was approximately £8k, after taking account for the road signage costs which had amounted to almost £9k.	
5.	<p><u>New Repairs and Signage Matters:</u></p> <p>a) <u>Potholes</u> - PieL would liaise with AM and TieS to agree a date when it would be possible to meet with Dennis from Jersey Roads and Driveways. They would review the Roads Inspectors' reports and agree which potholes should be dealt with, and also how they would be dealt with. It was agreed that up to £5k of the funds remaining in the Roads Account could be utilised in this process.</p> <p>b) <u>Signage</u> – Following the recent implementation of changes in speed limits on a number of Parish roads, the Chef de Police had recommended the painting of a couple of 15mph roundels in Rue es Georges. Once they were in place, he would propose to carry out some speed checks on the road. AM agreed to arrange for the roundels to be painted and to agree on the exact placement with DJ.</p> <p>c) <u>Vau Bourel drains</u> – A survey of the road drains either side of the entrance to the yard of Valley Cottage had been carried out by Drainway. The pipe from the drains led across the yard but appeared to be blocked at approximately the point where it joined the culvert carrying the stream that ran to the South-West of the property. There was no evidence of any problem with the culvert itself and the Committee agreed that any works on the pipe would be for the property owners to carry out at their expense.</p> <p>d) <u>Damage to road surface in Chemin du Cate!</u> – The Parish had obtained two quotes for the repairs to the road, which included provision for a kerb in the field</p>	PieL/ AM/ TieS AM/ DJ

	<p>entrance to preclude recurrence of such damage. The farmer had obtained an alternative quote for a repair, but without provision for a kerb, and declined to accept either of the quotes obtained by the Parish. The farmer had agreed to deposit hoggins in the field entrance to raise the level of the field immediately inside its entrance to improve access for tractors and mitigate the chances of such damage happening again. PR would revert to the farmer to advise him to proceed with the repair using his own contractor, but also place him on notice that if similar damage were to recur, the Parish would revert to him to undertake further repairs.</p>	PR
6.	<p><u>Roads Account Budget 2025-2026</u></p> <p>The Committee agreed on proposed expenditure for next year as follows:</p> <p>Road repairs: £40k Signage £5k Cleaning £12k</p> <p>Taking account of expected income in the year, the proposed budget would require an amount of £40k to be placed at the Committee's disposal and this sum would be requested at the Parish Assembly at which the rate for the year would be set.</p>	
7.	<p><u>Any Other Business:</u></p> <p>DJ advised that a couple of Parishes who currently had their own in-house arrangements for road cleaning had previously intimated that they would be able to provide road cleaning services to other parishes. DJ agreed to follow this up.</p>	DJ
8.	<p>The date of the next meeting was fixed for Thursday 17th July at 5pm.</p>	

Signed

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