

Roads Committee meeting

Trinity Parish Hall

29th May 2024 at 10am

The Roads Committee (Constable, Rector, B Fossey and A Dunford) assembled at the Parish Hall at 10.00.

Apologies had been received from Norman Le Maistre.

Minutes of the meeting on 24th October 2023 were read and approved by the Committee and signed by the Constable.

Matters arising from the last meeting

- JEC Trafficworx application regarding Rue Coutanche – Constable to chase the JEC
- La Ruelle (to be discussed later in the meeting)
- Constantia, La Grande Route de St Jean – a third party objection having been received, the application is going to an independent planning inspector.
- Clameur update – the focus is on recovering the Parish's costs following a costs order in the Parish's favour.
- Branchage update
- Parking – parking at the Parish Hall, Youth Centre and Riley Field is now limited to 12 hours in 24 hours.

La Vieille Charriere – creation of an additional access for Rockmount View

A Planning application is being made to create an additional access to the property (which is being divided into two separate properties) and the Parish is being consulted. Plans of the existing layout and the proposed layout were considered and it was agreed that a site visit should be made.

Les Ruelles update

The Constable updated the Committee of recent developments. The Parish has received funds from the Bells' insurers to rebuild the collapsed wall. These funds were based on a 2023 rebuild cost. However, because of the delay caused by the GoJ considering the various traffic calming options in and around the school, which would have a direct impact on the wall work, instructions to Brenwall to go ahead with the work have only just been given. The cost of rebuilding the wall has increased. The Constable asked, and the Committee agreed, that the balance will be met out of the Roads budget for 2024 – 2025.

Two reports about the options having been recently published, the GoJ has now decided to trial a traffic calming option in La Route de la Trinité and the use of La Ruelle as a school street. If the trials work well, they will be made permanent.

Resources

The Rector asked the Committee to consider if the Parish needed to employ an additional person to the Groundsmen Team in order for the Parish to maintain its very high standards. The Constable said that the position would be kept under review. The employment of a seasonal worker during the summer months was an option.

Branchage

It was noted that whilst the dates are prescribed by law, everything is growing very quickly this year and some roads are already narrowed because of foliage. The Constable has asked the roads inspectors of the various vingtaines to take a proactive approach this year and speak with occupiers when they notice encroachments.

La Verte Rue – Shangri La

AD confirmed that he had delivered a letter from the Constable to the owner-occupier in or about 26th April 2024. The owner-occupier’s son hired a mini-digger to do the necessary work but was unable to complete it. More recently AA Langlois has confirmed it is instructed to do the work and has been given authority to close the road for a couple of hours to get it done.

2023 Visite Royale matters

Two out of the three matters raised have been dealt with by the relevant occupiers.

It is not clear if the wall in La Verte Rue has received the attention required. A letter from the Constable will be sent to the owner asking for the branchage to be done as soon as possible in order for the wall’s current condition to be ascertained.

La Vieille Charriere – creation of a new access for Rockmount View

The Roads Committee then travelled to La Vieille Charriere to view the site of the proposed additional entrance.

A short visual inspection was undertaken.

The meeting closed at 11.05am.

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28th August 2024

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