

**Summary of the Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 9<sup>th</sup> June 2026 at 5pm in the Assembly Room**

**Present:**

John Guille (JG) – Chair (also member of FESC and Deputy Chair of HS&P Committee)  
Natalie Tighe (NT) - Deputy Chair  
Edric Baker (EB)  
Jolie Rose (JR)  
Carol Cragoe (CC) (from 6.30pm)  
Joe Perrée (JP)  
Sarah Hudson (SH) - Treasurer  
Rhys Rowlands (RR) – SOO  
Ali Bateson (AB) – CSO

**By invitation:**

James Lancaster (JL)  
Michael Lanyon (MLA) – member of Future Energy (Special) Committee } 5pm to 5.30pm

**Members of Harbours, Shipping & Pilotage Committee:**

Jimmy Martin (JM) – Chair } 5.30pm to 6.10pm  
Karl Rang (KR)

- **Future Energy**

JL and the Committees discussed the priorities the new company would have to look at once the Compulsory Purchase was complete.

**JL and MLA left the meeting at 5.30pm. JM and KR joined the meeting at 5.30pm**

- **IOSS**

The Committees discussed how they could continue to support the lifeline service. They agreed that they would invite the new NEDs to Sark for a familiarisation trip in the near future.

**JM and KR left the meeting at 6.10pm.**

- **Apologies:**

None.

- **Minutes and matters arising from meeting 26<sup>th</sup> May 2026**
  - **MOU for Digimap**

This had been sent to the Law Office to review.

- **Remote Attendance**

It was hoped that this would be ready to be taken to Michaelmas Chief Pleas.

Other actions were done or on the agenda for further discussion.

**JG signed off the minutes as correct. The summary of the minutes for the website was approved.**

- **Financial Matters**

The accounts to the end of April were tabled and noted.

- **Tax Assessor roles**

An advert would be posted for a Deputy Tax Assessor to start in October.

- **CPA Network meeting funding**

The Committee discussed various options for events during the CPA network meeting in October. More details on costs were needed.

**CC joined the meeting at 6.30pm**

- **Papers for Midsummer Chief Pleas**

The Committee agreed the papers they would take to Midsummer Chief Pleas.

**SH left the meeting at 6.56pm**

- **LECA – UK/Belgium**

The UK was making a Law Enforcement Cooperation Agreement with Belgium to allow law enforcement agencies to share information and work collaboratively. The UK had asked if the Bailiwick, and Sark, were content for the agreement to be extended to include them. The Committee agreed it was content.

- **UK-Iraq PCA ( Partnership and Cooperation Agreement)**

This was a broad, high level strategic agreement providing a framework for how the two countries would work together with regard to a range of matters. It was replicating the agreement that would have previously been in place with the UK as part of the EU. The UK had asked if the Bailiwick, and Sark, were content for the agreement to be extended to include them. The Committee noted that it was expected to have limited practical impact on Sark and agreed it was content.

- **Future Sark**

The Committee agreed to invite Steve Skelton to a P&F meeting for an update. There was some discussion on whether to do another workshop later in the year to give people who hadn't been able to attend the chance to participate.

- **Tax Discussions**

The Committee agreed to schedule a meeting solely focussing on tax discussions and invite the Taxation Review (Special) Committee.

- **Sark Attendance at the Cenotaph**

Previously Guernsey, Sark and Alderney had taken it in turns to go to the Cenotaph to lay a wreath for Remembrance. It had been suggested that Guernsey should go every other year and Alderney and Sark would alternate, meaning that Sark and Alderney would attend every 4 years, rather than every 3 years. The Committee agreed that it had no objection to this.

- **Tax Tribunal Age Limit**

The Committee discussed that Schedule 3 of the Direct Taxes (Sark) Law, 2002, which put an upper age limit on members sitting on the Tax Tribunal, could be preventing suitable people from being able to apply. It was noted that there were also upper age limits for the Speaker and the Seneschal. The Committee agreed to look into whether the age limits could be removed.

The Committee agreed it should also look again at amalgamating the Tribunal Panels as had been approved at the Christmas Chief Pleas meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> January 2019.

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