

Summary of the Minutes of the meeting held on Monday, 19<sup>th</sup> May 2025 at 5pm in the Assembly Room

**Present:**

John Guille (JG) – Chairman  
Natalie Tighe (NT) – Deputy Chair  
Jolie Rose (JR)  
Edric Baker (EB)  
Chris Kennedy-Barnard (CKB)  
Andrew Miller (AM)  
Lynda Higgins (LH) – Deputy Treasurer  
William Spooner (WS) – SOO – via Teams  
Ali Bateson (AB) – CSO

**PF063.25 Apologies:**

Sarah Hudson (SH) – Treasurer

**Non-Agenda Item**

The Committee discussed the recent vote of no confidence motion against the Policy & Finance Committee.

**PF064.25 Items deferred from meeting 13<sup>th</sup> May**

**i) Office matters**

The new CSO would be starting in 2 weeks.

**a) Recruitment of SEO replacement**

The Committee discussed what the role should be and how and where to advertise.

**ii) Other**

**a) Energy – next steps**

The Committee discussed the newly formed Energy Action Group.

**b) Post Moneyval actions**

Guernsey had written an action plan to address matters raised by the Moneyval report. There was one section that was relevant to Sark and concerned NPO's which would be followed up.

### **c) Moratorium on Conseillers transitioning to Civil Service jobs**

It was agreed that someone could not be both a civil servant/CSO and a Conseiller. However it was felt that a moratorium on Conseillers transitioning to a civil service job would not be necessary if a proper recruitment process was followed.

### **d) Revenue Generation**

- Sark stamps would be issued shortly.
- Conversation was ongoing with Guernsey about Sark coins.
- Other things being considered were a Shipping Registry and Company Registry.

### **e) BIMR conference**

Sark had received an invitation to the BIMR (British Islands and Mediterranean Region) of the Commonwealth Parliamentary Association. Conseiller Tighe and the Speaker Paul Armorgie would be attending.

### **f) Reports for next Chief Pleas**

The Committee discussed the draft reports for Midsummer Chief Pleas:

- i) Scrutiny panels
- ii) Commonwealth Parliamentary Association Sark Branch
- iii) Code of Conduct

### **g) Island Plan**

This would be discussed at the next meeting.

## **PF065.25 AOB**

### **a) WHO International Health Regulations (IHRs)**

The Committee had taken time to consider the information given by Dr Nicola Brink and Gina Martel at the previous meeting and agreed that it was happy to approve the amendments to the IHRs.

### **b) Old Island Hall further actions**

The Committee discussed that the Reform Law would need to be amended to remove the Island Trustees. In the future, the Speaker and the Seigneur would be covered by Dr McCullough's Code of Conduct. The current Civil Service Code of Conduct would become the 'Public Service' Code of Conduct and would include Officers.