Summary of the Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday, 28th 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) – via Teams
Sarah Hudson (SH) – Treasurer
Lynda Higgins (LH) – Deputy Treasurer
William Spooner (WS) – SOO
Ali Bateson (AB) – CSO

PF065.25 Apologies:

Everyone was present.

PF066.25 Items deferred from meetings:

a) Tuesday 13th May

Matters ongoing:

- I. Reserves Policy
- II. Tech Start-up Proposal
- III. Coins and stamps
- IV. IT Audit / Telecoms providers
- V. Quote for new generator for the North End
- VI. New Tax Models
- VII. Water Analytics
- VIII. Drone Legislation
- IX. Revenue generation

All other actions were done.

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

PF067.25 Island Plan

The Committee would look for an external facilitator to oversee the public consultation and help Sark develop an Island Plan which would focus on housing, infrastructure, environment, healthcare, education and economic opportunity.

PF068.25 Financial matters

The accounts for April were tabled and noted.

The former Finance Manager at IOSS had retired. SH would arrange a meeting with her successor in due course.

PF069.25 Office matters

a) Recruitment of SEO replacement

The advert would be ready to sign off at the next meeting.

- i) Other
- a) Reports for Chief Pleas
 - i) Scrutiny Panels
 - ii) CPA Branch
 - iii) Code of Conduct
 - iv) Bank Resolution
 - v) Tax Form Amendment
 - vi) PDG mandate
 - vii) Tax legislation
 (Agreed not to take to Midsummer)
 - viii) Verbal Report after Commonwealth Parliamentary Association meeting

b) Legislation - Permissive Extent Clause for UK National Security Act

The UK Government had asked Guernsey if the Bailiwick wishes to consider inclusion of a Permissive Extent Clause (PEC) in the amending Bill to the National Security Act 2023 as a mechanism for extending all or part of this legislation in the future. Guernsey had felt it was a good idea as it did not have its own national security legislation. Further legislation would be needed to bring it into force. The Committee approved the inclusion of the PEC.

c) Shipping Registry

A meeting had been arranged with an expert in this field to discuss further.

d) Regulations to amend the Lending Credit and Finance Law

This would be sent out to the Committee with an explanatory note.

- Energy letter from Guernsey States 13th May 2025
- French MOU
- Sarah Champion MP possible visit 26th June
- Doctor's contract
- P&F open surgeries
- CPA meeting 17th 20th June
- Newsletter
- Approved ports
- Section 9 removal from Committee
- Virtual attendance

These items were deferred to the next meeting due to time constraints.

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