

Summary of the Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday, 1st September 2026 at 5pm in the Assembly Room

Present:

Natalie Tighe (NT) - Deputy Chair
Edric Baker (EB)
Jolie Rose (JR)
Carol Cragoe (CC) – via Teams
Sarah Hudson (SH) – Treasurer
Lynda Higgins (LH) – Deputy Treasurer
Rhys Rowlands (RR) – SOO
Ali Bateson (AB) – CSO

} From 5pm
to 6.40pm

Not present:

John Guille (JG) – Chair

By invitation:

Paul Armorgie (PA)
Theo Leworthy (TL)

} From 5pm
to 5.45pm

Apologies:

Joe Perrée (JP)

- **Election Observer**

PA and TL told the Committee that they had been in discussions with Democracy Volunteers, a voluntary and politically neutral election observation organisation, about providing an election observer for the General Election on 25th November.

PA and TL left the meeting at 5.45pm.

- **Minutes and matters arising from meeting 18th August**
 - **Public Tax Update**

The updated public tax update had been sent to the Committee to review.

- **Impôt Query**

The Office had contacted Guernsey to ask about alternative ways for alcohol and tobacco purchases to be reported to the GBA.

- **Liquor Licencing and Taxing THC**

The Office was looking into the legislation for liquor licensing fees. Taxing THC would be covered by the new Impôt legislation replacing the 1950 Order in Council which make it easier for the Committee to make amendments when required.

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

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

- **Financial matters**

The Committee approved payment of an invoice for a carriage tour for the IOSS Neds.

The Committee discussed potential funding for the proposed detention centre and safe space pods.

- **Budget Considerations**

The Committee would think about the 2027 budget to discuss further at the next meeting.

- **Deputy Tax Assessor**

The Committee discussed the appointment of the Deputy Tax Assessor.

- **Michaelmas Papers**

The Committee discussed the papers for Michaelmas Chief Pleas.

- **Leases for Teachers' Accommodation**

The leases would have to be signed by P&F when they were finalised.

- **Future Sark Reactivation**

Question Factory had sent the Committee their Autumn Future Sark reactivation proposal for the Committee to consider. RR and Aidan would be meeting with Steve Skelton shortly and would update the Committee afterwards.

- **Electricity**

A date had to be set for the valuation methodology hearing in Guernsey.

- **Remote Attendance**

The Committee considered what the rules for remote attendance should be. The Office would put this into a proposal.

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