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The Douzaine confirms that the current Constables team has agreed to continue providing cover until 30 November 2026. This further extension follows the arrangements made for October and will maintain continuity of Constable cover while recruitment remains ongoing.

The Douzaine sincerely thanks the team for agreeing to stay on for another month. Their continued service, flexibility and commitment to Sark are greatly appreciated, and we recognise the additional commitment this represents.

We understand that residents will want reassurance about the longer-term arrangements, particularly following the October extension. The current extension provides cover for November while recruitment continues. Securing suitable appointments remains a priority for the Douzaine, with a backstop arrangement in place should on-island recruitment be unsuccessful.

The Douzaine is taking steps to secure suitable appointments, supported by the Committee Office's recruitment work and liaison with Guernsey Police on recruitment arrangements, suitability requirements and support for those appointed. The Constable and Assistant Constable carry important statutory and public responsibilities, and it is essential that recruitment results in appointments suited to those duties.

If we are unable to recruit on island, Guernsey Police will provide cover on Sark's behalf, attending the island at short notice when required to assist the Special Constables. This backstop arrangement will ensure that police support remains available to Sark while efforts to secure suitable on-island appointments continue.

Recruitment has not yet concluded. The Douzaine will provide a further public update when it is able to confirm the next steps. In the meantime, we are grateful to the current team for helping to maintain this essential service for the Island.