ADDENDUM

Late Item for the Michaelmas Meeting of Chief Pleas to be held on the Wednesday, 30th September 2026

Under the Provisions of Rule 21 of the Chief Pleas Rules of Procedure, the Speaker of Chief Pleas has allowed, by request of the Douzaine, the following Item to be added to the Agenda.

Item 18. To CONSIDER a Report with Proposition from the DOUZAINE entitled **"Establishment of a Temporary Public Transport Service"** (copy enclosed).

P M Armorgie
Speaker of Chief Pleas

21st September 2026

Notes:

The Speaker will propose that Item 18 be debated immediately before Item 12 on the Agenda.

ITEM 18

DOUZAINE

Report with Proposition to Michaelmas Pleas, 30th September 2026

ESTABLISHMENT OF A TEMPORARY PUBLIC TRANSPORT SERVICE

A motorbike trials event is scheduled to take place on private land in Sark on 10 and 11 October 2026. Special events, particularly in the shoulder months, bring visitors to the Island and should be welcomed, encouraged and facilitated wherever possible.

For the event to proceed within the time available, and for the motorcycles to be transported safely between stages, riders will need to be carried between stages by tractor and trailer. Under the Road Traffic Offences (Motor Vehicles and Bicycles) (Sark) Law, 2013, only one passenger may ordinarily be carried on a tractor.

The only plausible exemption which would permit the transport of multiple riders by tractor and trailer in these circumstances is section 21(2)(c) of that Law. That provision allows more than one passenger to be carried where Chief Pleas has approved, by Resolution, the establishment of a public transport service.

In light of this, the Douzaine has agreed to bring this late proposition to Michaelmas Chief Pleas seeking approval to designate the transport arrangements associated with the event as a temporary public transport service. The approval would apply only for the dates of the event, including any later date agreed by the Douzaine if the event is rescheduled for weather or another cause, and the service would be for fare-paying passengers as required by the Law.

Approval of the proposition will allow the transport arrangements necessary for the event to be put in place, enabling the event to go ahead. The Douzaine is also considering how the Law may be amended in future to facilitate events of this nature more easily, while having due regard for the environment, the opinion of residents and businesses, and maintaining appropriate safeguards for public safety. The Douzaine has also made clear to the organisers that insurance liability for the public transport service rests with those operating that service and/or with the organisers.

Proposition –

That Chief Pleas approves, under and for the purposes of section 21(2)(c) of the Road Traffic Offences (Motor Vehicles and Bicycles) (Sark) Law, 2013, the operation of a public transport service, that is: the transport of fare-paying passengers by trailer drawn by a tractor at the motor bike trials event scheduled to take place at La Ruette Vert, Rue Hotton, and La Genetiere on 10 and 11 October 2026 (or such later date as

is notified to, and agreed by, the Douzaine if, as a result of weather conditions or some other cause, the event is rescheduled).

Conseiller Mike Locke
Chair, Douzaine