

PARISH OF ST LAWRENCE



**Minutes of the Parish Assembly**

**Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> February 2021 at 7.00 p.m.**

**Assembly Room, St Lawrence**

**Present 15 Principals and Electors**

**Welcome & Apologies**

The Connétable welcomed all present and invited the rector to lead the Assembly in prayer.

**Apologies:**

Mr David Mezbourian

**Deputies in Attendance:**

Deputy Kirsten Morel

Deputy Gregory Guida

Minutes taken by Parish Secretary Mrs Leasa Nozedar

**Convening Notice**

An Assembly of the Principals & Electors of the Parish of St Lawrence will be held in the Parish Hall on Wednesday 24<sup>th</sup> February at 7pm for the following business:

1. To receive and if deemed advisable approve the Minutes of the Act of the Parish Assembly held on 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2020.
2. Consider, and if deemed advisable, recommend to the Licensing Bench an application for a grant of a license for 2021 by virtue of the Licensing (Jersey) Law 1974 as amended

Name: Bath Street Wine Cellar Limited (Liberation Group)

Secretary: Korina Powell

Category: First (Taverner's)

Business: Saint Laurent Pub, La Grande Route de St Laurent, St Lawrence, JE3

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Deidre Mezbourian  
**Connétable de St Laurent**

**17<sup>th</sup> February 2021**

**1 To receive and if deemed advisable approve the Minutes of the Act of the Parish Assembly held on 23<sup>rd</sup> November 2020.**

The Connétable asked for a proposer and seconder for the minutes. They were proposed by Centenier Mike Haden and seconded by Procureur Martin Sabey.

On a show of hands, all were in favour with none against; the Minutes having been approved were signed by Procureur Bruce Harrison.

<p style="text-align: center;">2</p>	<p><b>Consider, and if deemed advisable, recommend to the Licensing Bench an application for a grant of a license for 2021 by virtue of the Licensing (Jersey) Law 1974 as amended</b></p> <p><b>Name: Bath Street Wine Cellar Limited (Liberation Group)</b>  <b>Secretary: Korina Powell</b>  <b>Category: First (Taverner’s)</b>  <b>Business: Saint Laurent Pub, La Grande Route de St Laurent, St Lawrence, JE3 1NL</b></p> <p><b>Deidre Mezbourian</b> <span style="float: right;"><b>17<sup>th</sup> February 2021</b></span>  <b>Connétable de St Laurent</b></p>
	<p>The Connétable invited Mrs Korina Powell, Secretary for Bath Street Wine Cellar Limited (Liberation Group), to address the Assembly.</p> <p>Mrs Powell asked the Assembly to consider that the liquor licence for the Saint Laurent Public bar be changed to an in-house company, proposing that Bath Street Wine Cellar Limited hold the licence. They in turn will appoint Sarah Cooper in due course as the new manager. Miss Cooper and her partner and son have moved into the property and are keen to relaunch the pub by reintroducing food and extending the opening hours to include lunch hours. They intend to make the pub the heart of the community. She continued that the pub had reduced its trading hours over the last 3 years, with no food on offer it had limited its appeal.</p> <p>Mrs Powell asked the Assembly if they had any questions, Mr Sid Watling asked when they expected the pub to reopen. The Connétable invited Miss Sarah Cooper to address the Assembly to answer the question. Miss Cooper informed the Assembly that due to Covid-19 and current restrictions they are limited to when they can open without offering food. She hoped to open to only serve alcohol as soon as Government Guidelines allowed. The opening hours would be Monday to Friday 11am until 11pm and when in a position to, opening from 9am until 11pm on Saturday and Sunday to offer weekend breakfasts.</p> <p>The Connétable opened the floor to questions. Procureur Bruce Harrison asked why the licence was going in-house as opposed to staying with the publican? Mrs Powell informed Mr Harrison that this is to give continuity of service whilst a manager is in place.</p> <p>There being no further questions, the Connétable informed the Assembly that there are some checks that must be undertaken and reports prepared so that the Assembly, when considering the application, has enough information to decide if they support it. She continued that a Fire Report had raised lots of matters that needed to be addressed. The Connétable invited Miss Cooper to speak to some of the items being addressed on the premises. Miss Cooper advised the Assembly that a new fire alarm system has been fitted, new additional emergency lights and existing emergency lights are being replaced and should be completed by the end of the week. Miss Cooper is awaiting new fire doors for downstairs that will provide 2 protective routes to escape from the premises and locks on the external doors will be changed so they provide easier access to exit the premise in the event of a fire.</p> <p>The Connétable informed the Assembly that there were 19 matters that needed to be addressed, most of those had been completed and when the final items had been completed then the Connétable would write to the Licensing Assembly to advise them. She continued that the Assembly could approve this application but making it conditional upon the final report from the Fire Service which says that everything had been complied with and was in good order.</p> <p>The Connetable advised the Assembly that a report is required from Environmental Health on the sanitary facilities. This report had been provided although the physical check had not been taken due to the Covid-19 restrictions. It was assessed based upon the floor plan that was provided to them. The Connétable advised the Assembly that the Fire Report stated that the</p>

	<p>premises would be suitable for a maximum of 90 people however, Environmental Health had stated that the toilet facilities are only suitable for a maximum of 25 people. She also stated that this has not changed since the last time an application had been approved by a Parish Assembly and the toilet facilities have remained the same. The final report was a noise check to ensure that no events or entertainment will impact on the neighbours. This report had been overlooked by the Parish, for which the Connétable apologised and the report will be undertaken and submitted to the Licensing Assembly.</p> <p>The Connétable asked Miss Cooper to update the Assembly on the changes she would like to make based on her detailed business plan. Miss Cooper said that she is hoping to offer small functions such as wakes, birthdays and coffee mornings and would like to interact with Parish associations. She would also like to bring in a simplified food service ‘pub grub’ with basket meals. There will be televisions in 3 different rooms offering a variety of sporting coverage and a quiet area. She continued that this is a new venture for her and her partner and with support from the Parish they were hoping to provide something for everybody within a friendly atmosphere.</p> <p>The Connétable informed the Assembly that the Honorary Police undertake ad hoc spot checks on all licensed premises within the Parish and present a report to the Licensing Assembly in December.</p> <p>The Connétable asked if there were any further questions and reminded the Assembly that anyone who asked questions during the Assembly was welcome to attend and address the Licensing Bench on Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> March 2021 at 10am in the Royal Court.</p> <p>There being no further questions from the Assembly, the Connétable asked for a proposer and seconder. It was proposed by Mr John Pallot and seconded by Miss Elizabeth Pallot.</p> <p>On a show of hands, 10 were in favour, none against and 3 abstentions.</p> <p>The Connétable declared that the proposal had been accepted by the Assembly.</p>
<p><b>3</b></p>	<p><b>Meeting Closed</b></p>
	<p>There being no further business the Connétable closed the meeting at 19.30pm</p>

Signed:.....

Date.....

**Mrs Deidre Mezbourian**  
**Connétable**  
**President of the Assembly**