



Parish of St Clément

## Parish Assembly

An Assembly of the Principals and Electors of the Parish of St Clément was held at the Parish Hall on **Tuesday 8 October 2024 at 7.00 pm.**

Following a presentation from Jersey Electricity, parishioners were asked to take into consideration and, if deemed advisable: -

1. To agree to lease the Parish Hall roof to Jersey Electricity for a period of 25 years for the installation of a Solar PV panel system. There will be no installation/maintenance costs to the Parish and all electricity generated will be returned to the grid. The Parish has two options to receive payment for this project (i) a one-time, upfront payment of £35,000 (ii) 25 Annual payments of £2,500, adjusted for inflation (RPI), with an annual RPI cap of 5%. To authorise the Connétable and at least one Procureur du Bien Public to appear in the Royal Court to exchange the necessary contracts, Jersey Electricity will be responsible for the Parish's reasonable legal fees
2. To agree to decarbonising our ageing heating system by converting the oil-fired boiler at the Parish Hall to an electric heat pump solution. With the government Low Carbon Heating Incentive of £5,000 to support this, the total project cost including a 10-year servicing plan would amount to £63,375. This would be funded by the Special Reserve with the rental received from the lease of the roof (if agreed) directed to recovering some of the capital cost.

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Representatives from Jersey Electricity presented their proposals to the assembly and answered questions.

Mr George Gaudin proposed that alternative information regarding replacing the oil-fired boiler should be obtained and brought to another assembly, with a cost comparison a more informed decision could be made. This was seconded by Mr Neil Hunt but defeated with 4 votes in favour and 13 against.

Mrs Catherine Eglington proposed decarbonising the ageing heating system by converting to an electric pump solution, this was seconded by Mr Joe Vieira but defeated with 5 votes in favour and 10 against. It became clear that the assembly were somewhat confused as to what they had just voted for as they were unsure as to whether it was item 2 on the agenda (heat pump solution) or option (ii) (25 x payments of £2,500). Item 1 on the agenda (renting roof for Solar PV system) had been overlooked. Mr Neville Falla suggested that the assembly should be permitted to vote again based on misunderstanding the original proposal. This led to a heated discussion and Mr Albert Brown suggested that items 1 and 2 on the agenda be put together and then be subject to a vote. After a continued heated debate Mrs Sandra Mathew proposed that the meeting be abandoned and rescheduled for another day when proposals could be more clearly defined, and the assembly would be certain on exactly what was being voted for. This was seconded by Mr Albert Brown and agreed with 22 votes in favour and 1 against.

The meeting was attended by 24 parishioners and closed at 9.15pm.

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