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Welcome to the Summer issue of the Town Crier. The coming months are going to be very busy for the Parish of St Helier with a large number of events and festivals taking place; we also will be presenting our accounts for the last financial year and next year’s budget to ratepayers in the Town Hall on Wednesday 12th July. Please put this date in your diaries and try to attend what is the most important Parish Assembly of the year.

St Helier Day, 16th July, falls on a Sunday this year and we are hoping for a good turnout for the annual pilgrimage from the Town Church to the Hermitage at Elizabeth Castle: if you have never taken part why not put Sunday 16th July in your diaries too?

St Helier’s staff and volunteers will be working throughout the summer to keep our Parish safe, clean, attractive and well organised, for the benefit of everyone who lives, works, shops or spends leisure time here. On the political level, your elected representatives will continue to press the States for a fair deal in several key areas, including the Bellozanne Covenant, the long overdue payment of rates on States’ properties and voter equity.

The Town Crier contains information about many of the activities taking place in the Island’s capital, as well as featuring some of the key issues affecting us. You can also find out what’s going on from our website, Facebook and Twitter accounts, while your feedback on how the Parish is doing is always welcome, by post, telephone or email. Have a great summer in St Helier!
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Westmount Gardens’ extension
The recently opened area of land located west of Westmount Gardens has proven extremely popular with parishioners who enjoy a woodland walk. The area is a valuable link with the Gardens and wooded areas of People’s Park, Westmount, and the valley below Overdale. Access can be gained from either Westmount Gardens or via the track to the town side of King George V Cottage Homes. The area has undergone the first phase of scrub clearance to encourage an improved environment for flora and fauna. Look out for the numerous squirrels who regularly feed on the oaks and pines there. The new area of woodland was gifted to the Parish as part of the settlement for Parish land being used for the construction of an electricity substation.

St Helier’s Community Service Team
Like several other parishes in Jersey, St Helier has a group of community visitors who offer their services on a voluntary basis. These volunteers regularly assist parishioners with a wide variety of day to day tasks, such as shopping, accompanying them to appointments and referring them to other organisations for further help. Requests for support in the community are often received from the Health & Social Services Department, GPs, the police and relatives.

Fortunately, when the administration of what was called Parish Welfare was transferred to the States of Jersey, the Parish of St Helier took the decision to retain some of its professional team of staff, as it was felt that volunteer help in the community might not be sufficient to meet the needs of clients in the Island’s most populous parish. Since 2008 the Parish of St Helier has employed one full time and one part time Community Visitor who direct the group of volunteers in carrying out their valuable work in the community. The Parish’s team of professionals and volunteers works very closely with other agencies within St Helier and is grateful to the other organisations and charities that assist Parishioners.

For more information about becoming a member of St Helier’s Community Service Team please contact Julie Garrod by email, julie.garrod@posh.gov.je or by telephone on 811856.

Allotment news
The Parish allotments at Surville have seen increased activity since Spring. Joao Gomes de Sousa (pictured) is a parishioner who gets great pleasure out of his patch. There is only a short waiting list for new allotments so anyone interested in growing their own vegetables and flowers is requested to contact Tony Andrews by email anthony.andrews@posh.gov.je or by telephone 811700.

Swearing in of new officers
Friday 28th April saw Vingteniers Ben Wheaton and Merces Pereira sworn in at Royal Court for the Parish, together with Constable’s Officer Helder Fernandes.
2017 Rate Demands
Following the Rates Assembly to be held at the Town Hall on Wednesday 12th July, St Helier ratepayers will shortly thereafter receive 2017 rate demands. If you haven’t received one and were expecting to, please contact the Customer Services Team by emailing them at townhall@posh.gov.je or telephoning 811811.

In accordance with the Rates (Jersey) Law 2005, rate demands are payable on demand and all balances outstanding after 31st October 2017 will be subject to a ten percent surcharge.

There are a variety of methods by which you can pay your bill, including online by visiting https://services.parish.gov.je/ and entering the unique code that appears on your rates notice. Another convenient method of payment that has proved very popular and undoubtedly eases the burden of paying the demand in one lump sum is direct debit. If you are interested in taking advantage of this facility then please contact the Customer Services Team for more information and to arrange a payment plan.

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St Patrick’s Day celebrations
The Parish hosted the annual gathering for the 2,000 Irish nationals living in Jersey on 17th March at a lunchtime event organised by the Jersey Irish Society. There was also a mass held at St Mary’s and St Peter’s Church and a ‘flash mob’ at Liberation Square by the Canon O’Rafferty School of Irish Dancing.

Farewell to the Dean
Junior Miss St Helier, Maisie Robertson, presented the Parish’s farewell gifts to the Rector of St Helier, Bob Key, and Daphne Key, at a reception held in the Town Hall’s Assembly Room.

St Helier’s Battle float
If you’d like to get involved and volunteer with the St Helier Battle of Flowers Association Group, helping to make the thousands of paper flowers for our float, creating items out of papier-mâché or designing costumes, please come along to the Battle Shed at the Parish’s Mont à l’Abbé Depot at the top of Queen’s Road. The Group meets on a Tuesday from 6–8pm and on a Sunday afternoon from 2–5pm, and all ages are welcome. Contact Dee Cousins for more information on 07700 700169.

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Forty-five years growing
A reception was held at the end of April to honour a manager at the St Helier Parks and Gardens Department who retired after completing 45 years’ service.

Peter Goguelin started as an apprentice on 4th April 1972. You could say horticulture was in his genes, as Peter’s father had been in charge of both Coronation and Howard Davis parks. Under the supervision of Ernie le Conte, Peter spent his early years learning the trade of propagating which included raising several thousand shrubs from soft and hardwood cuttings, stratifying tree seeds and propagating many varieties of bedding including several thousand geranium cuttings. He also spent a period of time working at the Jersey Orchid Foundation when it was based at Mont Millais. He was promoted to the post of propagator, then supervisor and finally Manager/Superintendent of Parks and Gardens.

In the early days most pest control issues were tackled with chemicals, which for Peter often meant donning the obligatory yellow waterproofs whilst grabbing a dust mask and going out to spray nasties. Peter recalls how Dutch Elm Disease wiped out the elms which were the most common trees in Parish parks; then came the Brown Tail Moth, which involved another chemical battle. However, Peter was instrumental in encouraging the use of environmentally-friendly alternatives for pest control, which now results in a safer environment in our parks and open spaces. He worked alongside several landscape architects and developers following the Great Storm of 1987, where his knowledge of growing conditions helped to formulate the successful landscapes we enjoy today. He also made a valuable contribution to the design of the Parish greenhouses with computer-controlled environments.

Peter is a very well respected horticulturalist in the Island; he has been a committee member of the Royal Jersey Horticultural Society since the early 1970s and more recently a council member. He is held in high esteem by all who have worked with him. It is testament to his professionalism, his straight talking, honesty, friendly disposition and likeability that so many staff past and present turned out to wish him and his wife, Angela, well for the future.

Miss St Helier Competition 2017
St Helier’s Battle of Flowers Committee staged the annual Miss St Helier competition in the Spring. The afternoon tea party had a Jungle Book theme to suit this year’s float and there was lively participation in the fancy dress competition too. Kevin Pamplin was the compère of the event, while the panel of judges included Deputy Scott Wickenden. Miss St Helier 2017 is Christianna Knight, Junior Miss St Helier is Zita Morais, and Junior Mr St Helier is Ryan Guthrie.
SAFEGUARDING ADULTS

We all want every adult in Jersey to be safe from harm and to lead long, happy and fulfilled lives and the vast majority of us do so. However, some adults in the Island, as elsewhere, are abused.

People with care and support needs, such as older people or people with disabilities or communication difficulties, are more likely to be abused or neglected. They may be seen as an easy target and may be less likely to identify abuse themselves or be able to report it. Sometimes, people may not even be aware that they are being abused, and this is especially likely if they have a cognitive impairment. Abusers may try to prevent access to the person they abuse.

The definition of an ‘adult at risk of harm’ is a person aged 18 or over, whose exposure to harm through abuse, exploitation or neglect may be increased by their personal characteristics and/or life circumstances.

What sort of abuse takes place?
Abuse can take several forms and people may be subject to a number of abuse types at the same time. The most common types are:

- Physical abuse
- Domestic violence or abuse
- Sexual abuse
- Psychological or emotional abuse
- Financial or material abuse
- Organisational or institutional abuse
- Neglect or acts of omission
- Self-neglect


Where does it happen?
It can occur in people’s own homes or where they receive care and support and in the community.

Who commits the abuse?
Adult abuse can be committed by relative, carers, professionals, familiar adults and strangers.

What you might notice
It’s not always easy to spot the symptoms of abuse, signs of which can include changes in someone’s behaviour and appearance:

- Becoming quiet and withdrawn, appearing helpless, depressed or tearful
- Being aggressive or angry for no obvious reason
- Looking unkempt, dirty or thinner than usual
- Physical signs of abuse, such as bruises, wounds, fractures and other untreated injuries, and the same injuries happening more than once
- Not wanting to be left on their own or alone with particular people
- Being unusually light-hearted and insisting there’s nothing wrong
- Their home may lack heat, be unusually dirty or untidy, or you might notice things going missing
- A sudden change in their finances, not having as much money as usual to pay for shopping or regular outings, or getting into debt and financial documents going missing

What is being done about this in Jersey?
Jersey has good arrangements in place to prevent, identify, investigate and address the abuse of adults. The Safeguarding Adults Partnership Board (‘SAPB’) co-ordinates services, provides procedures, training and advice to professionals and the voluntary sector so that they can prevent and recognise abuse and deal with it promptly. Most residential care services are currently regulated and inspected. In future, the new Care Commission will regulate and inspect all residential and day care services as well as care provided in people’s own homes. The States of Jersey Police investigate abuse which is thought to be a crime; Community and Social Services have a Safeguarding Adults team that works with people where there has been an allegation of abuse, those who want to discuss or share their concerns about abuse; and a wide range of voluntary organisations and Parish-based support also make a significant contribution. Contact details of agencies to whom you can refer or approach for further information are listed below.

What can you do to help?
Safeguarding is ‘Everybody’s Business’ – yours, mine and everyone in Jersey, so if you are concerned please tell someone. You won’t be considered to be interfering, and if you wish your details will be kept confidential – although it’s easier for professionals to investigate if they have them.

You need to bear in mind that in our society adults who are able to make their own decisions, i.e. they have ‘capacity’, have the right not to be safeguarded unless a crime is being committed or someone else may be hurt, so you should ask the person if you may contact someone to share your concerns for their safety and quality of life.

By doing this you may make a real difference to someone’s life.

Contacts:
Community & Social Services Safeguarding Adult Team: 444400 or SPOR@health.gov.je
Website: www.safeguarding.je
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Talk to real people, talk to us.
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Judging for the award is based on several factors, including sales numbers and communications. Most importantly, however, is the quality of service offered by the Dacia dealer to its customers. In this standard, measured through an independent survey, Bagot Road achieved a winning score, to the delight of its Group Director, Craig Seager.

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Customers vote Bagot Road Garage Dealer of the Year

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with enthusiasm and professionalism. I would like to congratulate them for their daily work, always looking to improve customer satisfaction.’

Bagot Road Garage launched the Dacia franchise in 2013, to complement its existing range. Since then, the Renault-manufactured vehicles have proved very popular with local motorists, who welcome the excellent quality at extremely affordable prices. Among the models out this year is a new automatic version of the Duster, and the new Logan MCV Stepway, an SUV style estate priced from just under £10,500.

Right: Falles Motor Group director Craig Seager (right) receiving the UK Dacia Gold Dealer of the Year award from Groupe Renault UK managing director Paul Flanagan (left)

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The official fuel consumption figures in mpg (l/100km) for the Dacia range are: urban 35.3 (8.0)-76.4 (3.7); extra-urban 45.6 (6.2)-83.1 (3.4); combined 41.5 (6.8)-80.7 (3.5). The official CO2 emissions are 135-90g/km. Figures are obtained for comparative purposes in accordance with EU legislation and may not reflect real-life driving results.

*Prices shown include delivery to dealer, number plates, first registration fee, full paint, full tank of fuel and €100 first registration fee. Prices shown are manufacturer’s recommended retail prices, available on featured new vehicles ordered by 30 June 2017. Vehicles shown with optional metallic paint at an additional £413.13 including GST.
Quand nou vait l’monde par les c’mäns dans s’n été, épis les cheins étalés au sol dans les gardîns et pars et sus la grève, nou peut bein craite qué l’Êté s’est bein êtablyi. Nou n’peut janmais êt’ seux pouor du bieau temps et du solé, tout coumme ch’est bein pus pliaîthant d’êt’ à s’traûler par chutte saîson-chîn qu’au fonds d’l’Hivé: si chenna s’adonne, est pus caude au mais d’Juilet qu’au mais d’Décembre!

Pour bein des gens, ch’est en Êté qu’nou gângne des sou quand les restaurants, les hôtels et d’aut’s dêmnîns sont embarrassés – et pouor d’aut’s gens, ch’est quand nou veint à dépenser les sou gângnis duthant l’restant d’l’année sus des vacanches. Et s’nou-s’est chèrgi chein tch’est juste, y’en a-t-i’ grand ma? Ouaithe qu’i’ y’ait tréjous des pliaintes qué les prix s”adonne quand les pratiques veinnent lus êtalonner souotre les bardgîns. Nou-s’en laîsse l’affaithe à l’êtat!

Et l’s Êtats, tch’est-qu’i’ font, ieux? Ch’est aîsi d’critichi et d’dithe qu’i’ font pus laid qu’eune vaque tch’êtampe, mais y’a mains d’politique quand les Membres d’s Êtats sont en vacances coumme un tas d’aut’ monde. L’adminnistrâtion d’la Pâraisse continnue tout coumme et les sèrvices sont asseûthés et nos Officièrs et policemainnes nos gardent en seûth’té, auve la brigade, et les docteurs et les nosses et l’dgâbl’ye à quat’! Y’en a un tas tchi font lus d’vé coumme tchian souos êta.

Jeràriaïs

By Geraint Jennings

when you see people around and about in their Summer clothes, and stretched out in the sun in gardens and parks and on the beach, you can really believe that Summer has settled in. You can’t rely on fine weather and sunshine, but at least wandering about is more pleasant at this time of year than in the depths of Winter: if it rains, it’s warmer in July than in December!

For many people, Summer’s when money is earned in busy restaurants, hotels and other trades – while others spend their hard-earned money on holidays. So long as the charges are fair. Although there are complaints that prices go up in high season – that’s what happens when everyone piles in for a bargain.

There’s not much that can be done about the state of things.

And the States, what are they up to? It’s easy to criticise and to say that they’re leaving everything in a right state, but there’s less politics when States Members are on holiday like a lot of other people. Parish administration carries on however, services are maintained, and our Honorary and States Police keep us safe, with the fire service, doctors, nurses and Old Uncle Tom Cobbleigh and all! Lots of people carry out their duties with a watchful eye.

There’s bunting up in the streets of Town, and we have all the festivals and a crowd of foreigners who come to visit our Island. Indeed, there’s so much to see and do, that there’s more than meets the eye in Summer!
Twenty is plenty

Following a recent decision by the Parish Roads Committee, St Helier is set to follow St Peter, St Brelade and St Mary in the introduction of a 20mph zone. Subject to the approval of the Minister of the Department for Infrastructure, this will be put in place on all streets within the ring road; a separate application for the Havre des Pas area has already been approved and we are likely to see requests from residential areas outside the ring road, such as La Pouqueyale and First Tower in due course.

A large majority of those who contacted the Parish when the 20mph proposal was suggested supported the idea, although there was some negative reaction on social media. The problem of speeding traffic is one of the most common complaints raised with the Parish’s elected representatives, not only the risk it poses to the most vulnerable road users — cyclists and pedestrians — but also the nuisances of noise and vibration. Many parishioners have asked me why they cannot have the benefits of a lower speed limit which are enjoyed in other parishes, however annoying 20mph zones may be to drivers in a hurry to get from A to B! A lower speed limit in Val Plaisant, Great Union Road, Bath Street or Halkett Place may be irritating to some but they should spare a thought for the thousands of people who live in the houses they are passing. Aside from the stark fact that most collisions with pedestrians or cyclists are survivable at 20mph, whereas at higher speeds they become less so, there is no doubt that slower speeds foster street life; residents feel safer and happier as they go about their lives, especially as they walk to school, the shops and to work, while precious pets are less likely to be run over. For home owners, the fact that living in a 20mph zone increases house values, just as living within a Residents’ Parking Zone does, is a further indication that it’s a measure guaranteed to improve the quality of life of St Helier residents.

Constable Simon Crowcroft
constable@posh.gov.je
@SimonCrowcroft

Oddsocks: Romeo and Juliet

Venue: Coronation Park, Millbrook (open from 6.30pm for picnicking)

Monday 31 July – Wednesday 9 August (not Friday 4 August)
8pm

Oddsocks are delighted to be breathing new life into Shakespeare’s Romeo and Juliet by giving it a musical Mods & Rockers twist! There’s Nowhere to Run To for the Capulets and Montagues as violent confrontation stalks every meeting, even Down in the Tube Station at Midnight. Meanwhile, Juliet’s Nurse is looking forward to a good old Twist and Shout at the Capulet party, which Romeo’s mates are planning to gatecrash. Romeo has doubts about going to the Capulet Nite Klub but that is where he meets his Juliet, and It Must Be Love. Maybe, just maybe, The Power of Love will end the families’ violent feud. Tybalt has other ideas, and when The Boys Are Back In Town, Romeo gets into a fatal fight that sees two dead and Romeo banished. Juliet is distraught, her father reassures her that Everybody Hurts and he will cheer her up by marrying her to the County Paris. Juliet, desperate to avoid this unwanted wedding, takes the Friar’s sleeping potion and is buried in the family tomb. Romeo, hearing of his lover’s “death” goes to her. In a final act of coincidence and confusion our star-crossed lovers Don’t Fear The Reaper and their parents are left thinking If I Could Turn Back Time.

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In other areas the Vingteniers and Constable’s Officers have continued to conduct checks on people subject to curfew restrictions imposed by the Courts, make visits to licensed premises within the Parish to ensure compliance with the Licensing Law, conduct home security visits to relating to firearms, carry out speed enforcement and other traffic checks, and deal with minor complaints relating to anti-social behaviour, as well as supporting their colleagues in the States Police at significant events.

During the first four months of 2017, in conjunction with the States Police and Department of Driver and Vehicle Standards, St Helier Honorary Officers conducted a road check during which 1,800 vehicles were stopped and checked. This resulted in one vehicle immediately being removed from the public highway and four vehicles found to be displaying out-of-date insurance discs. The latter is a common occurrence which may result in a fine not exceeding £1,000; therefore, may I take this opportunity to remind everyone who owns/drives a motor vehicle to take the necessary steps to ensure that the correct disc is on display.

By the time this report is published the Parish Police will have assisted at a number of large public events such as the Jersey Boat Show, Reasons Music Festival and the annual Liberation Day celebrations. Thank you to all Honorary Officers involved in providing the necessary policing to make these events safe and enjoyable for the public of the Parish and the Island.

The Parish recognises the importance of the Honorary Police role and, as shown in this report, involves a variety of valuable duties. Anyone interested in joining is requested to contact Honorary Police Administrator, Kevin Molloy, by email k.molloy@posh.gov.je or by telephoning him on 811890.
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Two events have been held in St Helier recently as part of the preparation by the Commonwealth Games Association of Jersey for the XXI Commonwealth Games being held on Australia’s Gold Coast next year.

In March over 100 primary school children attended a ‘Sports Bonanza’ at Fort Regent to find out more about some of the sports that the Island’s athletes will compete in; and in April Olympic Gold Medallist Greg Searle MBE was in the Island for two days to help lead a number of sessions at the Radisson Blu, designed to prepare competitors and team officials for the rigorous qualification and selection process.

Both events were organised by the CGAJ as part of its plan to roll out an exhaustive ‘performance pathway’ for the Island’s youth and senior athletes. The programme is supported by a three year sponsorship deal with Acorn Finance.

The Acorn Performance Pathway has been designed to support registered athletes who need to prepare for the Commonwealth Games, which are held every four years, by enabling them to benefit from development programmes and talks on subjects such as drug awareness, psychology and mindfulness, and to compete off-Island as part of their training. The programme also provides an educational element for schools that are twinned with schools on the Gold Coast. Currently St Luke’s, St Clement and D’Auvergne primary schools have established links with counterparts on the other side of the world and have already made contact with pupils there.

The Sports Bonanza in March was organised by the CGAJ working with the Sports Development Team at Fort Regent and gave the youngsters an opportunity to experience a number of sports including gymnastics, judo, boxing and shooting, which are all events in which Jersey athletes will participate. It was the first event in the Commonwealth Games Schools Partnership, which will see pupils track the progress of our local athletes as they prepare for Australia.

The event coincided with the launch of the Queen’s Baton Relay at Buckingham Palace, which was attended on behalf of Jersey by the CGAJ General Secretary Paul Huddlestone. The Queen’s Baton, which is a Commonwealth Games tradition, carries a message from Her Majesty Queen Elizabeth II celebrating the diversity of the Commonwealth. This year the Baton will travel around all 70 countries taking part in the 2018 Commonwealth Games and will be in Jersey between the 13th and 17th September.

A month after the Sports Bonanza at Fort Regent Greg Searle, one of Britain’s most successful international rowers, came to Jersey to take part in a development weekend for potential athletes, coaches and team managers who are hoping to travel to Australia next year. Using his sporting knowledge and his skills as a management consultant, Searle was able to impart some of his own experience and provide valuable insights into how the local team should prepare for the challenge of meeting the exacting performance indicators necessary to be eligible for selection to compete at the Games.

6,600 athletes and team officials are expected to attend the Gold Coast Games in April 2018 and with numbers capped and minimum performance standards set, a structured development and support programme has been put in place by the CGAJ to ensure Jersey’s participants are in the best condition to qualify.

Nicky de Veulle, Director of Acorn Finance says “We are delighted with the progress made by the Commonwealth Games Association of Jersey in not only preparing our athletes to the highest possible levels but also with the work the team is doing in local schools, giving vision and opportunity to our future competitors.”

Gary Jones, who is Chef de Mission for Jersey’s participation on the Gold Coast added, “We are working extremely hard to make sure Jersey’s athletes are fully prepared for the Games next year, so that they can maximise their potential both for themselves and for their home Island.”

The organisers of the XXI Commonwealth Games on the Gold Coast are calling on people to ‘Share the Dream as the athletes follow their journey, celebrate their triumphs and overcome their set-backs. The Games will be Australia’s biggest multi-sporting event this decade and an estimated cumulative global audience of 1.5 billion people will experience the highest quality competition in 18 sports and 7 para-sports over 11 days. For Jersey’s athletes, the Acorn Performance Pathway is an important step on their own dream journey, not only to Australia next year but Durban in 2022.”
Every year the annual get-together of Norman speakers rotates between the Channel Islands and the Mainland. In 2017 Jersey is hosting again and between Monday 12th and Sunday 18th June there are plenty of events to interact with or just enjoy Jersey culture and related cultures from our neighbouring Islands and Continent. There will be performers from mainland Normandy, Guernésiais speakers from Guernsey, and Jèrriais speakers from Jersey – with activities, music, dance, poetry, stories and fun. During the week, events are mostly focused on Jèrriais, with our visiting participants providing the bulk of the entertainment for the big weekend.

Public events (free entry):

Monday 12th June Doque – traditional Jersey throwing game – and other traditional Norman games at pétanque pitch in Parade Gardens, 6pm.

Tuesday 13th June Jèrriais conversation in the pub, at the Adelphi in the Parade, 5.30–6.30pm.

Wednesday 14th June TV-style fun panel game with audience participation, upstairs at the Post Horn (free entry, buy your own drinks at bar downstairs), 7.30pm.

Thursday 15th June Café chat, 10.30-11.30am, Costa Coffee, Bath Street. Guided tour of historic Town centre, 5.30pm.

Friday 16th June Bachîn Ringing, Don Street/King Street, 12 noon (costumed participants from Guernsey & mainland Normandy will also be attending the Queen's Birthday celebrations at Government House in the evening).

Saturday 17th June: morning
9.30–11.45am: programme of dancing, music, poetry and prose in the Town Hall.
11.45am: Catwalk of Norman traditional costumes in the Town Hall.
12 noon: Town Parade (leaving Town Hall heading to Markets) – music and dancing in the streets, with traditional costumes, flags and lots of colour!

Saturday 17th June: evening:
8–9.30pm: Concert by Badlabecques & Magène and supporting acts – toe-tapping songs traditional and otherwise. In the Town Hall.

Sunday 17th June
10am: Town centre guided historical/cultural tour starting from the Town Hall.
11am: Service in Jèrriais in the Chapel of the Hospital.
2.30–4pm: Informal programme of dancing, music, poetry and prose in the Old Magistrate's Court.
The group is interested in improving the local green environment and has been working with the Parish of St Helier on making improvements to green spaces such as People’s Park, Westmount Gardens and the Le Val André. It is hoped to refurbish the children’s playground and have a community event in the autumn for a mass bulb plant on the banks near People’s Park. Bird boxes are being installed up and along Westmount, and in July the group hopes to hold a community clear-up at the top of Le Val André, with everyone being invited to bring a picnic and enjoy the lovely views; this is part of a wider initiative devised by the Britain in Bloom group, ‘Love Your Parks’, and children from local schools will hopefully get involved too.

The group has attended workshops organized by the ‘Future St Helier’ group, as well as meetings with the Future Hospital Team, as there will be major changes taking place around the Hospital and Kensington Place, and aims to stand up for local residents and businesses and lobby on their behalf. Traffic and parking are also concerns for many of our Members, and a representative attends the Resident Parking Zone meetings, the Roads Committee, and there have been presentations from local business people on solutions to some of the traffic problems.

Anti-social behaviour in Parade Gardens has been a long-standing problem and a survey has been conducted to gauge public opinion, with the group currently supporting Constable’s public space protection order initiative to give the Police more power to deal with problems in a targeted manner. All residents should have safe access to the beautiful gardens, so well maintained by the Parish gardeners, to not feel intimidated and be able to relax outdoors – especially as so few people in the area have gardens.

The group supports Save Our Shoreline’s efforts to address the sea lettuce problem and improve West Park beach, making it a great place again in the summer so that people can enjoy swimming in the refurbished Victorian Pool. Another of the group’s aims is to enable those who do not have easy access to transport, who have limited time, or health challenges, to be able to enjoy life in St Helier.

The group would like to hear from people in the local community about how to make the area safer, create improvements to the environment and generally improve the quality of life for people in the West of Town. Please make contact via the Facebook page, WestofTownJsy, or write to the group c/o the Town Hall. Another group to follow is Friends of People’s Park (FriendsofPeoplesPark on Facebook).
St Ewold’s

The Home held a Red Nose Day fundraising event during March, organised by health care assistant Shena Kearns, who also undertook to bake the cupcakes for the sale and manicure residents’ nails. Families and friends were invited to join the residents for lunch, a raffle, bingo and entertainment on the day. A big thank you to Shena. Residents also enjoyed a visit and performance from the Grace Trust Choir during April.

St Helier House

Highlands College student Daniel Gomes, who has been on placement with the Home since December, is also an accomplished accordionist. He gave a little concert for the residents before his placement finished in April. Jersey Archive, a very popular visitor to the Home, met with residents recently, bringing old photos, household gadgets and some very old Jersey hats which residents enjoyed trying on. Easter has also come and gone since the last issue of the Town Crier and the Home was busy making cards and Easter decorations, holding an Easter party with a grand raffle and lots of lovely eggs to be won. Red Nose Day was celebrated with cakes, red noses and afternoon tea with a sing song.
The Weekly Advertiser, a freesheet published by James Johnson and Son's the auctioneers of Bath Street, was mostly aimed at tourists and settlers from England. In May 1857, it printed "a brief sketch of the Island of Jersey, for the benefit of the inquiring Tourist". Here are some extracts describing Town 160 years ago.

The Tourist, on first glancing at the Island from the Steamer, may not see much to admire. The beauties of Jersey are not visible on first landing, but they command attention and excite interest as the Tourist proceeds towards the Town of St Helier ... His best course on landing at the Pier is to hire a cab to the Town, which will cost him one shilling, and go either to an Hotel or a Boarding House, the charge of which, per day, will not exceed 4s.

As soon as he has refreshed himself he may lionize St Helier, which is the capital of the Island, containing a population of 30,000 inhabitants. Its streets are numerous, presenting shops of much neatness, value and interest – some of which may vie with London in their extent and splendour. The markets, admirably constructed, and abundantly supplied with fruit, vegetables, and flowers, are not to be surpassed by any country in Europe. They are open and well supplied every day in the week, but the chief is Saturday, which is thickly crowded by natives, as well as by the English and French. Few Markets in England or France present a greater or a richer variety of vegetables, fruit and flowers. The native-grown grapes are equal in size and flavour to any grown on the continent, and are very cheap. Almost every stall is enriched with flowers of the richest colours and most inviting fragrance. Every luxury of the table may here be seen and may be obtained at a trifling cost.

In lionizing the Town we advise the Tourist to go to Fort Regent, rising 150 feet above the level of the sea. From this eminence he will have a commanding view of the Pier, the Harbours, and the Bay of St Aubin's, which is said to bear a striking resemblance to the Bay of Naples. On the eastern side is St Clement's Bay, which at high water, is an excellent place for sea-bathing ... Leaving the Fort he might direct his course to Elizabeth Castle, which can be approached only at low water. It was erected in 1586, and originally inhabited by an Abbey of Canons of the order of St Augustin. It is now used as a barracks. In the Armoury is a pair of boots which belonged to Charles II, who was once a refugee in the Island. On leaving the Castle he should next make his way to Mont Patibulaire, in front of him, looking over the ship-building yard of Mr Clarke, where he will have an excellent view of the Town.
Liberation Day for many Islanders began with the Liberation Breakfast for those who were in Jersey during the Occupation, former Internees in Bad Wurzach, former Evacuees, as well as past and serving members of the Armed Forces and invited guests. The event was organised by the St Helier Social Committee with the assistance of volunteers from Waitrose, who also supplied the food. The team was back in the Town Hall’s Assembly Room in the afternoon for the Parish’s Liberation Tea Party.

The main events on Liberation Day were played out as is now customary in the Royal Square and in Liberation Square itself, with a meeting of the States Assembly and procession followed by a re-enactment of the Liberation and a service of thanksgiving which this year was led by the Acting Dean, with music provided by La Ronde Concert Band, the Band of the Island of Jersey and the Musical Originals singers. Traditional activities and a food fair were provided on the Weighbridge for Islanders and visitors to enjoy.

An important part of Liberation Day for many is the service and wreath-laying in memory of the forced slave workers which took place at Westmount Crematorium in the afternoon.
Celebrates the Anniversary of the Liberation

This year’s Liberation takes place in the midst of pleasant weather during May.
Xavier Souris, manager of St Helier based Maison de Normandie, keeps us up to date with events and developments just over the Channel in France.

**MADE IN NORMANDY**

**LE FRENCH FESTIVAL** in Jersey

**Friday 7th to Sunday 16th July**

**The origin of LE FRENCH FESTIVAL**

In June 1986 the first Jersey-France Festival was launched! It ran for three years and brought various entertainment, concerts, plays and exhibitions to the Island. In 2017, a team of various Jersey and French organisations decided to reboot the event and to create ‘LE FRENCH FESTIVAL’!

The team behind LE FRENCH FESTIVAL is made up of Maison de la Normandie et de la Manche, the Alliance Française de Jersey, the Consular Agency of France in Jersey, and the States’ Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Department.

Choosing a meaningful date for the French community (the week of 14th of July), the team decided to plan several events, from Friday 7th to Sunday 16th July, in order to celebrate the historical cultural links and ever-growing relationship between France and Jersey.

**LE FRENCH FESTIVAL Programme**

The extensive programme will comprise not only cultural but also sport and business events: for instance, Maison de Normandie is organising business meetings between Norman and Jersey-based companies in order to set up long-term sustainable commercial relationships (Monday 10th). The general public will be able to enjoy a wide range of outdoor free entertainment, such as participating in a pétanque competition (Friday 7th), watching the stopover of the Tour des Ports de la Manche sailing race (Tuesday 11th), following guided tours of Victor Hugo’s exile in Jersey (Wednesday 12th) and St Helier’s French history (Friday 14th), watching and listening to concerts (Wednesday 12th) and watching French films (Saturday 8th and Thursday 13th), not forgetting a week-long Norman market (Monday 10th to Sunday 16th) at the Weighbridge, giving Jersey residents and visitors the opportunity to enjoy different products and French delicacies.

Obviously, the highlight of the event will be the Friday 14th July celebration of Bastille Day, the French National Day. The special relationship between Jersey and France will be particularly highlighted with the unveiling of the new street signs in Hilgrove Street (aka French Lane) – the first to be in three languages: English, French and Jèrriais). French flags and lighting of monuments in blue, white and red are expected in town.

All these events will take place in various venues in St Helier (the Jersey Art Centre, Maison de Normandie, the Weighbridge, Alliance Française, the Library, the Old Magistrate’s Court and the Town Hall).

**More Info:** The complete programme will be available on our dedicated website and Facebook page - website: www.lefrenchfestivaljersey.com / facebook: @lefrenchfestivaljersey.

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**LE FRENCH FESTIVAL DE JERSEY**

**du 7 au 16 juillet 2017**

**LE FRENCH FESTIVAL, c’est quoi ?**

Le Festival France-Jersey lancé en juin 1986, a apporté, durant 3 éditions un vent de culture française sur Jersey. En 2017, une équipe composée d’institutions jersiaises et françaises, s’est constituée afin de faire renaître l’événement et de créer LE FRENCH FESTIVAL !

Les organisateurs du FRENCH FESTIVAL sont : la Maison de la Normandie et de la Manche, l’Alliance Française de Jersey, L’Agence Consulaire de France à Jersey, le Département Développement économique, Tourisme, Sport et Culture des Etats de Jersey.

L’équipe a décidé d’axer les différents événements du Festival, du vendredi 7 au dimanche 16 juillet 2017, autour de la très symbolique fête du 14 juillet, afin de célébrer les liens historiques, culturels et les relations fortes entre la France et Jersey.

**Le programme**

Le French Festival propose un programme très diversifié d’événements et d’activités du 7 au 16 juillet avec des rencontres d’entreprises (le 10), une compétition de pétanque (le 7), des visites guidées (le 9, le 12, le 14), des expositions (les 10, 11, 12 et 13), des projections de films (le 8 et 13) et d’opéra (le 8), sans oublier un marché normand exceptionnel (du 10 au 16), sur le Weighbridge, qui durera une semaine.

Bien évidemment, le temps fort du Festival sera la cérémonie du 14 juillet ! A cette occasion, les liens entre Jersey et la France seront particulièrement mis en avant lors de l’inauguration d’une plaque signalétique trilingue (anglais, français et Jèrriais) dans Hilgrove Street, aussi connue sous le nom de French lane. La ville se parera alors des couleurs de la France.

Le French Festival se déroulera en grande partie à St Hélier, dans différents lieux (Jersey Art Centre, Maison de la Normandie, Weighbridge, Alliance Française, Jersey Library, Old Magistrate’s Court et Salle Paroissiale).

**Pour plus d’informations:** Le programme sera disponible sur notre site internet ainsi que sur notre page facebook dédiée

Site : www.lefrenchfestivaljersey.com
Facebook: @lefrenchfestivaljersey.
At the Jersey Opera House we always have a great range of events that you can choose from, and this summer is no exception.

Join us for the wonderful screenings from the National Theatre Live, the Royal Shakespeare Company, the Metropolitan Opera and an exclusive opportunity to watch Take That Live from the O2, celebrating the release of their eighth studio album Wonderland. André Rieu is celebrating his 30th year at the forefront of popular music and you will have the chance to join his 2017 Maastricht Concert Live, a unique music experience, set against the backdrop of the elegant medieval town square.

Whatever your taste in music you should find something to your liking on our programme.

Celebrate the legendary songs of Barbara Streisand with Liza Pulman – the acclaimed singer, comedienne and one third of the satirical trio Fascinating Aida. Adding to the eclectic musical journey is the ever popular Martin Stephenson and the Daintees. Don’t miss out on our summer gigs with the Elvis Years, Magic of Motown, the Simon & Garfunkel Story, and Hello Again an homage to Neil Diamond. We end our musical summer with the Johnny Cash Roadshow and the Bee Gees Story.

Treats for our young audience include Milkshake! Live with The Magic Story Book featuring ‘Fireman Sam, Pip from Pip-Ahoy, Noddy, Little Princess’ and many more much-loved characters and The Little Mermaid also puts in an appearance with original songs, eye-catching costumes and plenty of audience participation.

For the comedy lovers, join the German Ambassador Henning Wehn for an evening of Teutonic jolliness at its best.

To round off our summer season we have Agatha Christie’s Miss Marple Mystery, ‘A Murder is Announced’ – join the residents of Chipping Cleghorn as they experience at first hand the murder that only Miss Marple will be able to solve.

Find more information on all of these shows at jerseyoperahouse.co.uk and follow us on our social media channels for day to day updates and competitions: Facebook/JerseyOperaHouse and Instagram/Jerseyoperahouse.
There are lots of opportunities for parishioners to get involved in the variety of activities organised in St Helier. For anyone interested in becoming involved in these groups, a brief overview and contact details are shown below.

**St Helier in Bloom** The Community in Bloom Group encourages community planting and environmental initiatives, with artistic flourishes.
Tony Andrews: 811700 / anthony.andrews@posh.gov.je
www.facebook.com/Poshbloomgroup

**St Helier's Honorary Police** The Honorary Police are an integral part of the Parish, working closely with the States Police to provide a service unique in the British Isles.
The Honorary Police Co-ordinator: 811890 kevin.molloy@posh.gov.je

**St Helier – Avranches Jumelage** The Jumelage Committee facilitates school group exchanges, and cultural and sporting links with Avranches in Normandy.
Annabelle Bishop: 07797 762008 / annabelle.bishop@googlemail.com

**St Helier – Bad Wurzach Partnerschaft** St Helier twinned with Bad Wurzach, where many Islanders were interned during the Second World War, in 2002. The Partnerschaft Committee promotes cultural links between the two towns.
Clive Armstrong: 854152 / clive.partnerschaft@outlook.com
www.sthelierbadwurzachpartnerschaft.com

**St Helier – Funchal Geminação** The Committee supports activities celebrating the Portuguese language, music, food and national days, following the twinning with Funchal in 2012.
Joe Carlos Nunes / joecnunes@gmail.com

**St Helier Polish Society** This group promotes Polish culture locally. Meetings are held monthly at the St Helier Polish Cultural Centre in Seale Street.
Magda Chmielewska: 07700 811719 magda.chmielewska@hotmail.co.uk

**St Helier – Youth Committee** The St Helier Youth Committee gives financial support to youth projects throughout the Parish. It is also responsible for allocating grants to groups and individuals who live in the Parish. Application forms available from our website: www.sthelier.je
Margaret Fraser: 811841 / margaret.fraser@posh.gov.je

**St Helier – Battle of Flowers Association** The St Helier Battle of Flowers Association is a welcoming group keen to create a community atmosphere. All Islanders are welcome to join in.
Dee Cousins 07700 700169 / deecousins@outlook.com

**St Helier Pétanque Group** The ‘POSH Pétanquers’ meet on Fridays at 2pm in the Millennium Town Park. Newcomers are welcome and coaching is provided.
Tony Allchurch: 767593 / tony@allchurch.je

**St Helier Community Services Team** When the administration of welfare was moved to Income Support the Parish retained some of its staff skilled in supporting the community, assisted by volunteers. New members are always welcome.
Julie Garrod: 811856 / julie.garrod@posh.gov.je

**St Helier Social Committee** The Parish’s Social Committee makes possible activities like the Liberation Cream Tea and the Christmas Lunches. New members welcome.
Jane Skelhorn: 811823 / jane.skelhorn@posh.gov.je

**St Helier Rates Assessment Committee** Rates Assessors visit a selection of properties in the Parish to check their rateable values. More Assessors needed.
Edward Trevor: 811815 / 07797 736797 / edward.trevor@posh.gov.je
It is very encouraging to see that business people and property owners are continuing to invest in our town’s retail premises. The newly completed building at the junction of Hilgrove Street and Halkett Street is particularly impressive with excellent proportions and frontage, and so much better than an empty building site which in many other towns would have stayed like that for years.

Footfall in St Helier for the last week of April was up 2.8% year on year, with 167,585 visitors in town that week. This is in comparison to the UK’s figure of down 1.3% year on year. This confirms the vibrancy of our town centre compared to an average UK town centre. Our shop vacancy level is also consistently lower than the UK, with many enquiries coming in for premises as they become vacant.

There is a lot of activity in St Helier with initiatives such as Alive After 5 with over 60 retailers/hairdressers and hospitality business open Monday – Friday to at least 6pm. This initiative has grown based on consumer feedback and data from retailers highlighting the opportunities for consumers to shop/dine/socialise later in the evenings. Businesses taking part in this initiative will display an Alive After 5 logo in their windows. Streetfood Thursdays are also continuing, with several quirky ‘food trucks’ serving shoppers and adding to the town centre’s vibrant atmosphere.
The Parish recently held an event in the Old Magistrate’s Court to celebrate the Jersey Royal, its rich history and its cultural importance to the Island. Freshly cooked new potatoes were available, cooked in various different ways, while local historian, Arthur Lamy, spoke about the history of Jersey’s famous crop.

The Jersey Royals were supplied by Nick Mourant of Meleches Farms. Nick is the only farmer to grow Jersey Royals commercially in the Parish of St Helier, so the Town Crier went to meet him and his wife, Emma, to find out more about their business and the special potatoes they grow.

**Why did you want to get involved with the first ‘Welcoming in the Royal’ event?**

**Nick:** was delighted to support St Helier’s first event to celebrate the Jersey Royal. My team are passionate about the potato which is a key contributor to the Island’s agricultural economy and an important part of Jersey’s agricultural heritage.

**Emma:** Islanders have a real passion for the Jersey Royal. I’m looking forward to seeing the event grow and become a highlight of St Helier’s annual events calendar.

**What do you love about being a farmer?**

**Nick:** enjoy being outdoors and in tune with the natural environment. It’s a demanding career as a farmer has to be an agronomist, an accountant, an HR manager, a risk manager and an engineer. I’m lucky to have a great team, many of whom have been with me since I started.

**What are the main challenges your business faces?**

**Nick:** All Jersey farmers face environmental challenges with regard to changing weather patterns, fertiliser and pesticide usage. We run the business within very strict supermarket protocols and every field has a soil balance sheet recording what’s applied, the reason it’s applied and what’s taken off the field in the way of crops and nutrients. I’m a staunch supporter of sustainable agriculture. We care about the soil and use biofumigation techniques to harness the natural chemical agents of plants to suppress weeds, fungal pathogens and insects, to reduce the usage of pesticides and fertilisers for the benefit of the business and the environment.

**Emma:** There’s a lot of misinformation about agriculture, in particular on social media. We have recently set up a business page on Facebook to provide positive, factual information and to promote Jersey Royals to younger consumers in the UK who may not have heard about them.

**What is the main market for your Jersey Royal crop?**

**Nick:** Our main market is the UK supermarkets. Over 70 tons a day are lifted by my team in the height of the season. That means a lot of early morning starts for us to make sure the crop is lifted, graded into sizes, packed and makes the boat in time each day.

**Emma:** We also have three roadside honesty box stalls that are well supported by our local customers.

**What have you learned since becoming a farmer’s wife?**

**Emma:** I was born and grew up in Jersey, but I don’t come from a farming family. I’ve always enjoyed Jersey Royals but have had a steep learning curve about the product since I met Nick a few years ago. I worked in the finance industry in St Helier for over 20 years and it’s easy to be disconnected from the natural environment on our doorstep. I didn’t realise how highly regulated the agriculture industry is and how dedicated our Island’s farmers are.

**What are you looking forward to this season?**

**Nick:** Selling all our crop!

**Emma:** I can’t wait to try the crop growing in the field we held our wedding party in last year.

**What’s your favourite way to eat a Jersey Royal?**

**Nick:** You can’t beat them boiled, served with loads of Jersey butter and fresh mint.

**Emma:** I’m a convert to Jersey Royals cooked in local seawater which I tasted at the ‘Welcoming in the Royal’ event.
A fourteen-strong group of retail apprentices is sharpening its skills on a new City and Guilds diploma, backed with funding and support from the Department for Education. Around 7,500 people work in retail and distribution in Jersey and this programme aims to improve the prospects of the workers in the industry, at the same time as focusing on customer service and sales.

The group is made up from a range of retailers in Jersey and there are mature students from both food and non-food shops. The course came about as a result of consulting with industry leaders to look at how best to upskill staff working in this vitally important industry. As a result a retail apprenticeship was devised, whereby existing locally qualified employees develop their knowledge by being taught a broad range of retail topics. Accompanying these classroom-based sessions, the students are also assessed doing their job in the workplace, where they can demonstrate their skills and gain valuable feedback from an assessor with extensive experience in the industry.

Among the topics covered are, customer service, communication skills, placing customer orders and merchandising stock to increase sales. Additionally, the knowledge gained in the classroom is aimed at improving the level of customer service and increasing the awareness of consumer protection laws, as well as team-working, health and safety and security. For the students, this is an excellent opportunity to gain a recognised qualification in the industry that isn’t always acknowledged for the contribution it makes in terms of reputation and increased visitor numbers.

The course has been running for ten weeks and the students appear to be relishing the opportunity to learn alongside full-time working. One apprentice, Annie Berry, said, “The apprenticeship and qualification is a great chance to gain more formal recognition of my work in the job that I love.”

For more information or to request a quote please contact us on 493300 or via email at neil@mailmateprint.com
DfI will be resurfacing a section of the St. Helier Ring Road in the school summer holidays this year. The work will be undertaken in four main stages, with traffic management indicated on the images below. The exact dates of the phases and the work sequence have not yet been finalised. Further details regarding traffic management and programme will be made public prior to the work starting.

**KEY**

St Saviours Road Resurfacing Scheme Phase 1-6

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**Phases 1-3 - La Rue Le Masurier**

These phases will be undertaken under a road closure which will remain in place 24/7 for the duration. St. Saviour’s Road will become temporarily two-way, as it was before the gyratory was completed in the 2000s.

Working Hours: 9.15am – 6.00pm
Weekdays Only.
Traffic Management: Permanent during these phases.

**Phases 4 - La Rue Le Masurier/ St. Saviour’s Road junction**

This phase will require the closure of the junction of La Rue Le Masurier and St. Saviour’s Road. As this is a critical part of the highway network with very high volumes of traffic the closure will be on a Sunday. Northbound and Southbound traffic will be diverted via Mont Millais and through town.

Working Hours: 8.00am – 8.00pm
Traffic Management: During working hours only.

**Phases 5 - St. Saviour’s Road (South)**

This phase will be undertaken under a road closure during the specified working hours only. Northbound traffic will remain unaffected; southbound traffic will be diverted via Wellington Road and Mont Millais and through town.

Working Hours: 9.15am – 6.00pm
Weekdays Only.
Traffic Management: During working hours only.

**Phases 6 - St. Saviour’s Road (North)**

After liaison with the major hotels in the area it was agreed that this section will be completed during the Autumn Half term (21 – 29 October) under a road closure during the specified working hours only. Northbound traffic will remain unaffected; southbound traffic will be diverted to Wellington Road and Mont Millais via Five Oaks and through town.

Working Hours: 9.15am – 6.00pm
Weekdays Only.
Traffic Management: During working hours only.
and work collaboratively to create solutions to simple problems, as well as games, through coding.

Damon McDougall, a pupil in Year 2, says, "Coding club was great but it was especially awesome to make your own clone at the end!".

Haute Vallée
The Parish is taking part in the Britain in Bloom coastal town category finals this year, and as part of the entry it is encouraging the planting of wild flowers that provide nectar for bees. A group of students from Haute Vallée has been designing a flower bed with a bee theme which the students will help plant up during May in La Collette Gardens; they will also be sowing a large area of annual and perennial wild flowers in the Gardens. The students’ designs were judged by Deputy Andrew Lewis, Parish Director of Parks & Gardens Tony Andrews, and Dale Hector (Parks & Gardens team). The winning design will be planted on the carpet flowering bed in La Collette whilst pictures of the runners up will be mounted in the windows of the adjoining building.

Hautlieu: Learning about town
Hautlieu School’s Year 12 Geography students had a field work day in St Helier in the Spring Term. They met the Constable of St Helier in the Millennium Town Park to question him about the Park’s history and its role in urban regeneration and they also looked at the International Finance Centre. The fine weather allowed them to hold their lunch stop at the Don Monument in Parade Gardens.

First Tower: Coding at 5 years old, with the help of XRM Architects
Primary school children at First Tower School are proud to have completed their first coding course with the help of Scratch, a leading online learning tool, and coding books provided by Jersey CRM and IT consultancy firm, XRM Architects.

With the European Commission predicting that there will be a shortage of 1 million computer professionals by 2020, it is becoming vital that children from a young age are encouraged to get involved in coding and programming to fulfil this need for a new generation of IT-literate workforces. Programmes such as Scratch are designed specifically to help young people – sometimes as young as 5 or 6 – to think creatively, reason,
ANGE Seedhouse is extremely proud of her 9 year old Staffordshire Bull Terrier, Sausage. It’s an interesting name. Angie and her partner, Fletch, breed Staffordshire Bull Terriers, and Sausage was one of four in the litter. One was larger than the others and he became Pie, as in ‘Who ate all the pies?’ One of the others had a white left foot and another had a white right foot so, naturally, they became Lefty and Righty. Which left the last one. Fletch thought of Pie and started naming different types of pies. When he said ‘Sausage’, the little dog’s ears pricked up and that’s how he got his name.

Sausage is a PAT dog. ‘PAT’ stands for Pets As Therapy, which is a registered charity based in High Wycombe. Angie and Sausage are volunteers for the Charity and, like many other owners and dogs throughout the UK, visit hospitals, hospices, schools, residential homes and prisons.

Angie works for HSBC and, every Wednesday for the last four years, has finished work early, using the Bank’s employee volunteering leave and working flexible hours scheme. With Sausage by her side, Angie visits St Ewold’s, one of the two Parish residential homes. The residents and staff love these visits and look forward to seeing Sausage and Angie each week.

The idea behind Pets As Therapy is that people can derive comfort from stroking and patting dogs in their own environment. As well as brightening up a day wherever they go, PAT dogs can also help people overcome a fear of dogs.

Angie knew from the outset that Sausage would make an ideal PAT dog. As she explains, “He is a wonderful dog with a lovely manner and temperament. A PAT dog has to fulfil certain criteria before becoming accepted. They must have been with their owner for at least 6 months, and they must be over 9 months of age and fully vaccinated. A most important stipulation is that they must pass the temperament assessment to show that they would be suitable to become a PAT dog.”

“From the first time he entered St Ewold’s, Sausage showed a natural rapport with the residents. He instinctively seemed to understand that there was a limited time to spend with them and would go to each resident and then move to the next. However, Sausage has always decided how long to stay with each resident. If he senses they need him a bit longer, or are having a bad day or aren’t so well, he will stay longer. It is as though he will not move on until he knows they feel better. We start in the lounge, where he is only too happy to pose on the footstools to make it easier for the residents to reach him. He will often treat them to his trademark ‘Sausage roll’ – something
that is particularly popular with a 102 year old lady he visits. He also works with people who suffer from phobias, helping one gentleman to overcome his fear of dogs. In addition we have visited schools and nurseries helping children understand how to approach and pat a dog.”

“After the residents’ lounge, we then go round the rooms to visit anyone who wants to see him. He even spends a bit of time with any visitors that the residents may have.”

Angie is particularly proud of Sausage at the moment as, in March this year, they both went to CRUFTS at the NEC in Birmingham, where he was crowned HiLife PAT Dog of the Year. Angie was delighted. She said, “St Ewold’s and its residents were kind enough to nominate Sausage for Hi-Life PAT Dog of the Year. It was a great honour to get to the last six finalists and to win was just brilliant. My heart was racing when it got down to the last two, but it’s fantastic that Sausage won. I’m over the moon. I really wanted Sausage to enjoy it and he did, he loved the arena. Sausage is a stand-out dog from a loveable breed that is sometimes misunderstood, but this shows their true temperament and love of people.”

Apart from lots of treats and cuddles for Sausage, they were presented with a cheque for £500 and three months’ supply of HiLife products, which Angie kindly donated to Staffordshire Bull Terrier Welfare, so less fortunate Staffords could benefit.

Tony Parkinson is the Managing Director of Town and Country Petfoods who produce HiLife, and he was delighted to see Sausage and Angie walk away with this year’s title: “I would firstly like to congratulate Sausage and Angie on receiving this award. Once again, the standard of entries was incredibly high so they have done very well indeed.”

“We have been sponsoring this award for more than a decade now and it is always a privilege to be there as the winner is announced and, of course, meet the owners.”

Pets As Therapy was founded in 1983. It is an independently-funded charity. There are currently 6,000 registered PAT dogs in the UK and 60 cats. As their website explains: ‘Pets As Therapy is the largest organisation of its kind in Europe, enhancing thousands of lives every single day. What we do is beautiful in its simplicity; our inspiring and dedicated volunteers share their time and their wonderful pets with people in need.’

Angie has also been able to support the Charity further by claiming for the volunteering she does in her own time. She has donated £2,000 over the last four years through HSBC’s Pound for Pound scheme.

Pets As Therapy are always looking for more volunteers, so if you have a calm dog that you would like to become a PAT Dog, please visit www.petsastherapy.org or contact Valery Johnson on 742541.
Can you help with sponsorship?

14 year old parishioner Lucy Marett, who learns ballet under the watchful eye of Laura Reynolds and Annette Perkins at the Jersey Academy of Dancing, recently received the highest mark in the Royal Academy of Dance vocational exams, whilst also maintaining top grades in her school studies. She also won the classical ballet class for her age group in last Autumn’s dance section of the Eisteddfod.

During May Lucy was one of only six local pupils invited to receive a private coaching session with the visiting principal of the Royal Ballet Company, Lauren Cuthbertson, going on to perform a solo on stage at the Jersey Opera House in the evening as part of the Liberation Festival. She then also attended a class held locally by Darcey Bussell, a former principal of the Royal Ballet Company.

At the end of March this year Lucy was offered a place at the English National Ballet School (‘ENBS’) for their summer intensive training programme, after a selection process conducted by their artistic director. A couple of days before that Lucy had been placed on the selected waiting list for the Royal Ballet School’s summer training programme at the world famous White Lodge. Both of these establishments are listed as the top providers of classical ballet training in the world, and their summer training programmes are always heavily subscribed, with the ENBS being especially favoured by international students, and it’s extremely rare for this opportunity to be offered to a Jersey student. As if all of this was not enough, Lucy was then offered a place at Elmhurst Ballet School in association with the Birmingham Royal Ballet. The offer of these places reflects well on the high standard of dance training available to pupils at the Jersey Academy of Dancing, which is the oldest-established dance school in the Island.

Offers at the summer schools are well known to be the opportunity for students to be evaluated for a full-time place rather than just the one day audition selection process which takes place in the Autumn of Year 11. For Lucy, this would be just a couple of months later in September, hence the added importance of Lucy being able to accept these offers.

Opportunities like these involve an incredible amount of work by the children themselves on a daily basis, and come with a considerable financial commitment. The Jersey Arts Trust sponsored Lucy last summer but is unable to offer any assistance this year. If you or your business would be interested in sponsoring Lucy could you please contact Stephanie Marett at smarett44@gmail.com.

Can you help with sponsorship? We want to make sure every home and business in St Helier receives its copy of the Town Crier. If you live in St Helier and can’t pick your copy up from one of our bins around town, please contact Annie Bienvenu on 811821 / annie.bienvenu@posh.gov.je and we can either post or email a pdf copy to you.
The aims and objectives of Greyhound Rescue Jersey are manyfold. Established in Jersey in 1996, the primary objective of the Charity is to find family homes for retired racing greyhounds as pets and companions when they are no longer useful to the greyhound racing industry.

It is estimated that 10,000 dogs finish racing each year and the Charity, together with up to 100 similar organisations, only manages to find homes for less than half this number. The fate of the remainder is often too horrific to contemplate.

The Charity tries to home dogs here in the Channel Islands, but it is a costly business to get them over, have them neutered, vaccinated and treated for worms and fleas. Prospective owners are asked for a donation, but it is less than half the cost of bringing a dog over and placing it into a home.

As with all charities, Greyhound Rescue Jersey is constantly trying to raise funds to cover costs. There are fêtes held all through the summer, and the group attends awareness assemblies at school, Brownies, Scouts and W.I. groups, and has recently been approached by Age Concern to do a talk about its aims. Invites to attend events next year are already being received; the Charity is particularly popular with the older community.

These dogs have the most amazing natures, and for this reason six are registered as ‘P.A.T. dogs’ (Pets as Therapy). For five years the group’s allocated home was Clifton Nursing Home, but two years ago it changed to Silver Springs, where weekly visits take place to cheer up the residents, many suffering from Alzheimers and some just very ill or very old. It’s heart-warming to see their pleasurable reactions when the dogs enter the room – even the ones suffering from memory loss always know it is Tuesday. On occasion the group has also visited the children at Mont à l’Abbé School, and also children that are wary of dogs often come up to visit the Sanctuary to overcome their fears. The pleasure that these dogs bring to all of these people is incredibly rewarding.

The dogs are often called upon to play an educational role at school assemblies, and the group visits with four or five of the dogs and gives a talk which includes the history of these dogs through the past 5,000 years and their royal connections up to their modern day plight – where they are no longer worshipped but are just a commodity discarded when they are no longer of any use to the commercial requirements of the racing industry.

The dogs are at the service, day and night, of all the Island’s veterinary practices as blood donors, and indeed are called upon quite regularly to give blood, which in many cases save the lives of desperately ill dogs of various breeds. They are particularly suitable for this duty as their calm nature allows the vets to plunge a huge needle into the greyhound’s jugular vein without anaesthetic while they take a pint of blood. Their blood count is 50% higher than that of other breeds, making it that much more beneficial. It is most gratifying to know that, having been rescued themselves, these dogs are putting something back into the community.

For the group to continue with what it does there are certain aspects that need attention. For example, the P.A.T. dogs need to be in good health, particularly in respect to their dental hygiene. This comes at a considerable veterinary cost. Transport to the U.K. and back has doubled in cost over the last three years and there is always a considerable financial loss when supplying a dog to a new home.

Needless to say these dogs need to be insured, and costs have risen dramatically over the last few years. It costs thousands of pounds a year to cover the dogs and make sure they are healthy to attend awareness events. With the financial climate as it is at the moment, it’s not unusual for a rehomed dog to be returned, but the group prides itself that so far a dog has never been sent back to the U.K.; if the dog can’t be found a further home its has become one of the Sanctuary’s permanent residents.

The group recently brought back three dogs destined for the meat trade in China. If you would like to know more about Greyhound Rescue Jersey or are interested in adopting one of these lovely dogs, please contact Gail Hickmott, Greyhound Rescue Jersey via email: gaimalanddogs@hotmail.com, Facebook: GreyhoundRescueJersey or the group’s website, www.greyrescue.co.uk.
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**Jersey Stammering Support Group**

This group was set up last year to help anyone with stammering or communication problems; a place to meet other people who also have issues with their speech in a relaxed and supportive environment. For more information please contact Ákos Dietrich on 07829 937246 or visit the Facebook page 'Jersey Stammering Support Group'.

**Always check before you strim**

With St Helier’s first Branchage of the year coming up on Friday 30th June, the Jersey Hedgehog Preservation Group asks you to check the area before you start cutting. If the area is very overgrown please cut to knee height and check for wildlife before cutting lower. Lots of nasty injuries caused by cutting equipment are seen each year. Should you discover an injured hedgehog, please pick it up wearing gloves, put it in a bucket/dustbin/box and either telephone the Jersey Hedgehog Preservation Group on 734340 for immediate help or take it to a vet. If you discover any other injured wildlife, please telephone the Jersey Animals’ Shelter on 724311 – or your vet (you shouldn’t be charged for them dealing with wildlife). Thank you for your help in protecting Jersey’s wildlife.

**Charity warehouse**

The Jersken Charity Warehouse is open on Sundays at 87 St Clement’s Road between 9am and 3.30pm. If you’re interested in volunteering, please contact Peter Falle at peter@jersken.org or 07797 850568.

**New car-lending initiative**

Enable Jersey (the Jersey Society for the Disabled since 1970) has teamed up with Shopmobility and the Department for Infrastructure to pilot a new car-lending initiative, offering a car that can take up to two wheelchairs to assist those who would not otherwise be able to get around the Island. The car is kept at Sand Street Car Park and bookings are taken by Shopmobility, with the cost being £20 per day plus petrol. To use the car you need to be a member of Enable Jersey (cost is £35 per year) and have a valid driving licence. To check availability and book the car, please ring Shopmobility on 739672 between 10am and 4.30pm.

**Refreshments at St Andrew’s Church after the Battle**

Now for the eleventh consecutive year, St Andrew’s Church will be providing free tea, coffee and cake for people passing back through the Park to their cars after this year’s Battle of Flowers. As you’ll appreciate, this not only provides some refreshments for those who are ‘Battle Weary’, but also hopefully takes some pressure off the traffic congestion at this time. So thank you very much as usual to St Andrew’s – and do pop in and see them.

**Prosperity Day is back**

And the race is on to raise £24,700 for local charities. The annual fundraising event, invented by technology experts Prosperity 24.7, encourages local businesses to unleash corporate rivalry as teams go ‘head to head to head’ in a three-way virtual race on state of the art turbo trainers. It’s not all about the need for speed though, because points awarded throughout the races will only contribute to half of the score collected by the teams, with the remaining points being determined by their fundraising efforts. This year Prosperity 24.7 is aiming to raise a super £24,700 throughout the event, and has chosen to support Teenage Cancer Trust Jersey and Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust. For more information please contact Laura Syvret or Natasha Egre at laura.getrefined.com / natasha@getrefined.com or 720200.
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HAVRE DES PAS IMPROVEMENT GROUP
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Info: 481083 / r.labey@gov.je

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Info: 07797 711121 / jasonmain69@gmail.com

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MAISON DE NORMANDY FRENCH MARKETS
Various locations, including the Weighbridge
Info: 280110 / info@maisondenormandie.com

FRIDAY 7TH TO SUNDAY 9TH JULY

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polishculturalcentrejersey@gmail.com

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Organisations in St Helier

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**WOMEN’S INSTITUTE** There are four meetings in St Helier as follows:
- **St Helier Sirens WI** Helen Asplet: 483000 / helenasptime.com
- **La Pouqueleye WI** Gill James: 722467 / gilljames527@gmail.com
- **Hel’s Belles WI** SueBone: 636977 / libertyjersey2014@gmail.com
- **First Tower & Millbrook WI** Elvina Davey: 731177 / 0777 731435

**MOBILE LIBRARY George V Cottage Homes**: Mondays, 9.20–9.45am
- **Clos du Paradis**: Tuesdays, 9.15–9.45am
- **B&Q, Queen’s Road**: Tuesdays, 9.50–10.30am

**SCOUTS, 23rd (Jersey) (St Lawrence) Scout Group**
Contact Elisabeth Blampied: e.blampied@scouts.org.je

**BEAVERS & CUBS** Boys & girls welcome from 6 years of age at St Matthew’s Glass Church Hall, Wednesday evenings. Beavers: 5.45–6.45pm; Cubs: 7pm–8.30pm. Contact Hayley Dewar, Island Administrator, on 486935 / admin@scouts.org.je

**RAINBOWS, BROWNIES AND GIRL GUIDES**
- **All Saints Church Hall group**, The Parade: Daphne 871199 / 07797 719225
- **La Pouqueleye group**, La Pouqueleye Community Centre: Tina de la Cour 07797 761746 / 877559
- **South Rainbow group**, d’Auvergne School: Jean 509003 / 07797 719003
- **5th St Mark’s Brownies group**, All Saints Church Hall: Vee 789571 / 07797 795587
- **5th St Mark’s Guides group**, La Pouqueleye Community Centre: Pat 481418
- **First Tower group**, First Tower School: Jean 509003/07797 719003

**LITTLE MONKEYS GYMNASTICS Fort Regent**
Mel 07797 731101 / littlemonkeys2009@gmail.com

**REGENT GYMNASTICS CLUB Fort Regent**
Visit www.regentgymnastics.co.uk

**REGENT ADULT GYMNASTICS**
Paul 07797 823925

**ROYAL BRITISH LEGION 2–4 Great Union Street**
Tel: 723469

**YOUTH CLUBS**
- **Move on Youth Project Café, La Rue de la Liberation** 280524
- **La Pouqueleye Youth Project & Community Centre** 280515
- **First Tower Youth Project** 630085
- **The Inclusion Project, St James Centre** 280511

**SUN BOWLS**
Tony Osmont 722767

**FIRST TOWER BILLIARDS & SNOOKER CLUB**
firsttowersnookerclub@gmail.com

**JERSEY SCRABBLE CLUB**
Anne 730409 / apasturel@live.co.uk

**ST MARK’S SPARKS**
720595

**THE CAESAREA QUIRLERS**
Kathy Journeaux 07797 907808

**SOROPTIMIST INTERNATIONAL OF JERSEY Ladies Service Club**
Jean Dale 888882 / jeand@bullandcompany.com

**JERSEY BOWLS CLUB Westmount**
Tony Osmont 722767

**THE INCLUSION PROJECT, ST JAMES CENTRE**
280511

**FIRST TOWER YOUTH PROJECT**
Tel: 725824

**La Pouquelaye YOUTH PROJECT & COMMUNITY CENTRE**
Pat 481418

**Move on YOUTH PROJECT Café, La Rue de la Liberation** 280511

**JERSEY ALZHEIMER’S ASSOCIATION Hilgrove Street** 723519
info@jerseyalzheimers.com. 24 hour Answerphone Helpline: 443075

**JERSEY CODERS (computer coding club for teenagers)**
Gwyn Garfield-Bennett 07797 715560 / gwynjs@aol.com

**JERSEY BUMPS & BABIES GROUP**
Viki Lucas membership.jersey@ntc.org.uk / 07700 362022

**JERSEY MS THERAPY CENTRE**
737297 / info@jerseymsic.co.uk / www.jerseymsic.co.uk

**COMMUNITY SAVINGS LTD.**
737555 / www.communitysavings.org.je

**SCOTTISH COUNTRY DANCING**
Joy 862205 or Alan 484375

**THE JERSEY JUDO CLUB MEETS AT FORT REGENT**
07797 850370

**THE WORDS AND NUMBERS MATTER** 887208 / admin@wordsandnumbers.org.uk

**THE JERSEY BRAIN TUMOUR CHARITY**
510867

**JERSEY CITIZENS’ ADVICE BUREAU**
724942 / 0800 7350249 / advice@cab.org.je

**ALLIANCE FRANÇAISE DE JERSEY**
875655 or visit www.afjersey.com

**JERSEY BRANCH OF THE EMBROIDERERS’ GUILD**
Janet 766718

**JERSEY CAPOEIRA**
Corrine Davey 07700 334601 / jerseycapoeira@yahoo.co.uk

**JERSEY STAMMERING SUPPORT GROUP**
Meets last Monday of the month at Little Sisters of the Poor. 6.30pm. Email migrainejersey@gmail.com

**ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS** Meets every day in St Helier. Telephone 726681 (telephone manned by AA members 7am – 10pm).

**Church details**

**ALL SAINTS CHURCH**
The Parade
Rev. David 768323

**BELMONT ROAD GOSPEL HALL**
840743

**CHRISTIAN PORTUGUESE MISSION**
Halkett Place Evangelical Church, Halkett Place 522480

**IMMANUEL CHRISTIAN CENTRE (Freedom Church)**
Victoria Street 768957

**ST ANDREW’S CHURCH**
Le Mont Cochon
Sisters of the Poor, 6.30pm. Email migrainejersey@gmail.com

**ST COLUMBA’S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF SCOTLAND**
Midvale Road 733220

**ST ANDREW’S CHURCH**
Le Mont Cochon 734582
www.standrewschurch.org.je / www.facebook.com/StAndrewsChurchJersey
email enquiries@standrewschurch.org.je

**ST COLUMBA’S PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH OF SCOTLAND**
Midvale Road 733220

**ST HELIER METHODIST CENTRE**
Halkett Place
Sarah Keenan-Fox 877517

**ST MARK’S CHURCH**
St Mark’s Road 720595 / www.stmarksjersey.com

**ST MARY’S AND ST PETER’S CHURCH**
Wellington Road 720235 / www.catholicchurch.org.je

**ST PAUL’S CHURCH**
New Street 887887 (Church Office)
www.stpaulsjersey.org

**ST THOMAS’ CHURCH**
Val Plaisant 720235 / www.catholicchurch.org.je

**THE SALVATION ARMY**
Minden Place 735472

**TOWN CHURCH**
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WEDNESDAY 12TH JULY
Parish Rates Assembly
7pm, Assembly Room at the Town Hall
Accounts info online from 5th July www.sthelier.je
Info: 811829 / neil.macdonald@posh.gov.je

SUNDAY 16TH JULY
St Helier Pilgrimage
From the Town Church to the Hermitage at Elizabeth Castle
3–5pm including refreshments and entertainment
Info: 811823 / jane.skelhorn@posh.gov.je

FRIDAY 14TH JULY
Bastille Day reception
For French residents and visitors
5.30pm, Town Hall
Info: 726256 / agenceconsulairejersey@gmail.com

MONDAY 17TH JULY
Band of the Island of Jersey Town March
Leaving the Town Hall at 7.30pm
Info: Chris Le Maistre: 770588

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Havre des Pas Seaside Festival
10am – 9pm, Havre des Pas
Info: 07797 711121 / jasonmain69@gmail.com

SUNDAY 6TH AUGUST
Minden Day Parade
11am, Minden Place
Info: 07797 715632 / jezman4176@gmail.com

TUESDAY 8TH AUGUST
Battle of Flowers Town Parade
4pm, Snow Hill to Town Hall
Info: 730178 / jsybof@gmail.com

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Info: www.battleofflowers.com

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D-DAY COMMEMORATION
TUESDAY 6TH JUNE 2017

Veterans and members of the public are invited to gather at the Cenotaph from 10.45am. The short ceremony will start at 11am and will be followed by a Vin d’Honneur at the Town Hall, to which all are welcome.

For further information please contact Jane Skelhorn at jane.skelhorn@posh.gov.je or tel: 811823.

VISITE DU BRANCHAGE 2017

In accordance with the requirements of the Loi (1914) sur la Voirie, as amended, the first Visite du Branchage of the year will take place in St Helier on Friday 30th June.

The Loi requires occupiers of land bordering on the public roads of the Parish to trim hedges and branches and to cut all overhanging trees so as to give a clearance of 12 feet over main roads and by-roads and of 8 feet over footpaths and to remove any other encroachments on the public highway.

A fine may be levied for each infraction.

The attention of occupiers of land is drawn to the need to ensure that all cuttings and trimmings are removed from the roads and footpaths after the Branchage is completed.

ST HELIER SENIOR CITIZENS’ OUTINGS 2017

Thursday 13th and Thursday 27th July

Once again Constable Simon Crowcroft invites the Parish’s Senior Citizens to enjoy one of the annual afternoon Island coach tours and cream teas at St Peter’s Garden Centre on one of the above dates from 1.30–5pm.

The afternoon starts at 1.45pm from Gloucester Street, arriving at St Peter’s Garden Centre at around 3pm and finishing back in St Helier at 5pm.

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ANNUAL ST HELIER PILGRIMAGE
(TOWN CHURCH TO ELIZABETH CASTLE)
ST HELIER DAY, SUNDAY 16TH JULY

3pm Procession starts from Town Church
4pm Procession arrives at West Park slipway
4.15pm Service at Elizabeth Castle, followed by wreath laying at the Hermitage
4.30pm Afternoon tea and entertainment
5.30pm Castle closes

For those taking part in the Pilgrimage entrance to Elizabeth Castle and afternoon tea will be free of charge.

www.sthelier.je The Parish website is an important way of keeping parishioners informed and updated. It doesn’t stand alone – we use adverts, circulars, press releases and of course this Town Crier to try and reach everyone. But the website helps those of us who want to interact with organisations online and at a time that suits us. Why not take a look at what www.sthelier.je can offer you?
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Our friendly and expert staff are on hand to help and advise you about any of our products and services and to guide you around our state-of-the-art displays.

We have a child friendly area with soft seating and tablets to play with, where we also serve complimentary coffees for you whilst you browse the showrooms.

To make an appointment contact:
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