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Government Downplays Robbery in Pretoria

In a press statement yesterday St Helena Government said that: "St Helena Government (SHG) is aware of an incident in Pretoria today where three St Helenians accompanying medical referral patients were held at gunpoint while out shopping. The three persons were not harmed but some of their belongings were stolen. The persons are safe. They are receiving pastoral support and assistance from MSO and the South African Police are investigating the incident.

The Health Directorate has contacted the families of those affected to make them aware of events. SHG recognises that people will be concerned following the news of this incident. SHG is liaising with the Foreign & Commonwealth Office (FCO) in Pretoria for further security advice to help St Helenians stay safe whilst abroad.

This is an unfortunate incident which could have happened anywhere in the world. Whilst Pretoria is relatively safe and low-crime by South African standards, sadly criminals can operate anywhere at any time. Patients, their families and all persons overseas are reminded to be extra vigilant particularly in areas where recent crimes have taken place. Keep large amounts of money, expensive jewellery, cameras and phones out of sight and only take with you what you need for the day. Where possible secure your valuables in your hotel room. Most visits to South Africa are trouble-free, but sensible precautions should be taken to protect your safety."

It appears that SHG is trying to brush off the seriousness of this event. On relative to one of the victims said "They weren't harmed physically but still traumatised and not some of their belongings.....ALL of their belongings (personal/sentimental/important) were stolen!! And to suggest that they be extra vigilant in recent crime areas when this happen on the doorstep off their accommodation!"

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The following is a sub-titled article from an interview with Michel Dancoise-Martineau that was held earlier this week at Saint FM. Michel has recently returned from a two week trip to Paris which included laying plans for the up-coming Bi-centenary 2021.

Getting started

My business trip: It was only ten working days but it was also the long weekend of the Ascension, so a lot had to be done. We started by organising the arrival of two cruise ships with 400 people on-board to be present for the commemoration in May 2021. There were a lot of technical questions, so they asked me to be involved in the organisation. We of course have to make a plan of how we're going to stage Longwood House for that special day of the commemoration of Napoleon's death. All of this is to make a success of that week and promote tourism for St Helena.

We are still two years away from the bicentenary. The promotion of St Helena as a tourism destination still needs work for it to become a standard journey for the French people. I realised that in Paris there still is little promotion about St Helena. I am committed to work to change this not only because of Napoleon but also because I love this island and want to see it thrive.

How can St Helena be better prepared while taking ownership of the legacy?

That is really a matter for St Helena to decide what they want to do. There is a "visioning group" that is taking a step forward in that direction, which I support, help and encourage. My target is really focusing on my job which is the French properties on the island. St Helena as a whole has many, many trump cards in its hands, but how they're going to be played is still not known. In France, there is still some negativity around the airport because the first question at French radio is always *"Is it still scary to fly to St Helena!"* There's a lot of work to be done to clean the slate. Because of the bad press we had, we now need to convince people to change their minds. To do this will require the effort of all St Helenians to put a positive image of our beautiful island out there for all to discover.

Is education the key to creating awareness?

I won't say that education is a key; I think that education is part of the whole; the island must gain faith in its own future. If the parents are positive the children most probably will be positive. We can be optimistic but without hiding the difficulties we are encountering, it must be balanced.

A cat is a cat?

Don't lie to your visitors, so if the cost of life on the island is very expensive just say it, don't go around the bush; just call a cat a cat, but at the same time acknowledge that this island is one of the safest places to live in. So always balance a negative with a positive.

Can two be as one? (Joining the French culture with St Helena)

In France we have a lullaby about St Helena so it is a part of



the culture. On St Helena you already have the Napoleonic heritage. What need to happen now is for the St Helenians to embrace this heritage for their own benefit as it is an economic asset.

What are the plans for the week of the Bi-centenary during 4 – 10th April 2021?

The accommodations are booked but we don't have to be blind to the fact that we will not be able to receive thousands of people on St Helena simply because we don't have the logistics, the planes, and the hotels and so on. So as long as that is not possible we will have to be reasonable.

What we are planning is to bring St Helena to Paris and for the French people to discover the island by visiting the different exhibitions that we are going to do during the whole year 2021 at the Museum of the **Armées** in Paris at the Invalides and at Malmaison. There will be an exhibition for the duration of six months about St Helena and Napoleon's death. In addition a scientific team of archaeologists will come to St Helena early next January/February to do some research regarding the nature of the soil which was used to do the death mask and they will even go, to dig out Napoleon's toilets to discover exactly, which is the question that nobody dare ask, what was he eating or if he was in good health.

There are plans to do another exhibition at Longwood House sponsored by the Fondation Napoleon. This will be to exhibit what life was like for St Helenians during the years of the exile.

On the week of the 5th May 2021, we will of course have a ceremony at Longwood House at the time of the Emperor's death as well as a ceremony at the Tomb.

Working together

If St Helena is to be part of the bigger world, we should not get stuck at the fact that we are remote. We all know that we must plan and build something new, what that is I don't know yet (maybe the new Internet optical fibre cable might be the solution), but it will get more defined as we continue to work together, much can be achieved by working together.

AIRPORT ACCESS (HAUL) ROAD OFFICIALLY OPENED TO THE PUBLIC

The 14km Airport Access (Haul) Road from Rupert's Bay to St Helena Airport was officially opened to the public today, Friday 7 June 2019.

The opening was marked with a 'ribbon cutting' ceremony taking place at Bottom Woods (near Reggie's Takeaway) at 12noon.

Chairman of the Environment & Natural Resources Committee, Councillor Russell Yon, welcomed everyone to the ceremony.

In his welcome remarks, Councillor Yon spoke about the history, design and construction of the road and also gave special thanks to key people who made the Airport Access Road possible.

This was followed by a Blessing from Bishop Dale Bowers.

His Excellency Governor Dr Philip Rushbrook also gave a short speech. HE said:

"The opening of this road ends a period of uncertainty. I want to look ahead and not look back. This is the newest road on the Island and will give better access to Jamestown for many people, importantly it reduces the volume of traffic that needs to go through Longwood and it opens up new parts of the Island, which I've heard has some very spectacular views. So I ask everybody to drive safely, respect the speed limits and most importantly, use the opportunities that this road brings to St Helena."



The Main Man - Elvis Fowler. He pushed through the route of the haul-road with an old derelict Caterpillar D6 purchased from SHG



Governor Rushbrook then declared the Airport Access Road open with the cutting of the ribbon.

The Airport Access Road is divided into seven sections - African Slave Road, Airbay Road, Boer Road, Flagstaff View, Pipe Ridge Pass, Wirebird Way and Wainwright Way.



Fisheries Closes Down

A message went out to the fishermen of the Island on Wednesday night and yesterday morning explaining that due to technical problems with the Fisheries two forklifts they could not purchase and handle any more fish from the fishermen. The factory would operate with the stocks in hand but could not receive any more catch.

The forklifts at the Fisheries are battery operated as diesel forklifts are not permitted in a food processing plant.

Yesterday, two meetings were held between the Fisheries Board and Government officials and it was promised that a press statement would be issued last night but this was not forthcoming. The fishing industry has been set as one of the future 'pillars' of our economy but it appears that this pillar is crumbling and falling apart at its seams.





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Editorial

There are, without doubt, many hard working, conscientious politicians who are committed to the idea of public service and strive to improve the quality of life for all of us. What I have never been able to figure out is why and how some of the most peculiar people imaginable kick and elbow their way up the greasy political pole with too many of them succeeding in fighting their way to the top.

Esther McVey, Member of Parliament, representing a place called Tatton in Cheshire revealed herself this week to be very peculiar. At the last election she gained 58% of all the votes from the people of Tatton, giving her a majority of almost 15,000 votes. How could this happen? McVey rose to fame this week by showing she is witless enough to run off at mouth about things she clearly knows nothing about and it was revealed she puts her very expensive photo sessions down as MP expenses for taxpayers to pay the bill. Most of all I'm dumbfounded that McVey was dumb enough to put herself forward as a contestant for the Conservative Party leadership and Prime Minister. The result of the first round of voting yesterday puts McVey at the bottom of pile with just nine votes. It may be safe to assume McVey voted for herself, but she might have put her X in the wrong place. This means eight other MPs thought McVey would make a good Prime Minister. That is truly alarming. Right now I could make a few comments about Trump; a less than statesmanlike non-politician who did make it to the top of the greasy pole but I will deny myself that pleasure and get to the point.

Leadership is described in many ways; some of them integrity are, valour, determination and being good with people. Then there is the type of leadership a leader has or uses. Authoritarian, democratic, charismatic and transformational are some of those. But these descriptions do not give an adequate answer to what makes a good leader. Trump has determination and tries to be transformational but is he a good leader? Shouldn't leaders know the difference between Wales and whales? Remember when Trump called a country in Africa Namibia? Some may say these are mere details and count for little when looking for a leader to stride across the world stage. On the other hand, if Trump and McVey cannot handle the simple stuff they will soon be out of their depth when grappling with the complexities of the big problems of our times.

Experience must surely come into it; experience of several different situations and circumstances. Maturity and self-confidence are two more. Self-confidence must go hand-in-hand with maturity because having a big idea about oneself can be mistaken for self-confidence. Very important must be what can be called sorting the wheat from the chaff. In other words identifying the important aspects immediately and putting to one side the irrelevant bits. Keeping to the point and staying focussed are often under-estimated attributes which are too

often ignored by politicians who can easily be accused of liking the sound of their own voice. Belief in oneself is not just important it is necessary but at the same time being aware of how others react to you is equally necessary. Some reactions it is best to ignore but a leader has to have followers otherwise he or she soon becomes redundant. Respect is another attribute a good and effective leader must win from those who follow.

I'm sure many books have been written about what leadership is and who the best leaders have been. Do we have any great leaders today? The last great and famous leader I recall was Nelson Mandela – Madiba. He has been dead almost six years now; we need another one, or two; leaders who can win our respect.



A good leader inspires people to have confidence in the leader, a great leader inspires people to have confidence in themselves.

— Eleanor Roosevelt —

AZ QUOTES

"A genuine leader is not a searcher for consensus, but a molder of consensus."

Martin Luther King, Jr.

Civil Rights Leader

For 'molder' (US) read moulder (Queen's English)
**Have a good weekend
Vince**



Cheaper Fares to Jo'burg from next month

A limited number of cheaper air fares are available from today for return journeys completed during July, August and September. The discounted return fare offered is £500 with the usual reduction for children and infants. This offer was announced yesterday and comes after a quarterly review meeting last weekend between Airlink, SHG, DFID and ESH. Called a 'Flash Sale' the cheaper air fares coincide with discounts offered by some accommodation providers for minimum 14 night stays in St Helena. Details of flight and accommodation discounts are mentioned on the SHG website but are not yet advertised on the St Helena Tourism website and cannot yet be found on the websites of participating accommodation providers although Mantis Hotel have been offering a 15% discount on their more expensive suites since April. The Airlink website is also silent so far. It is often repeated that potential tourists to St Helena need to plan their trips well in advance; up to a year ahead in many cases. Short notice discounts, or 'flash sales' may have little effect on the number of tourists visiting St Helena out of season. The lack of a coordinated and quick promotion of the discounted fares and accommodation special offers will not help a difficult marketing exercise.

The accommodation providers offering discounts are; - the Blue Lantern, Consulate Hotel, Mantis Hotel and the Town House (all in Jamestown) and St Helena Farm Lodge, Harkate Guest House, Richards' Travel Lodge and Somerville Flats for people preferring a more rural setting. The St Helena Government press release announcing the 'flash sale' for a limited number of economy class seats advises anyone interested to enquire directly with accommodation providers for details

Cheap Scuba Diving In Fulidhoo Maldives (dive packages + accommodation included)



Competition in tourism is fierce

of the discounts they are offering and to make the Airlink booking separately, either on-line or through a travel agent. No easy-to-book packages have been organised, meaning potential visitors have a lot of work to do to find the fare/accommodation pairing which suits them best. Discounted airfares are available on a first come, first served basis and are not refundable. Faced with this situation it is likely potential off-season visitors to St Helena will turn to <https://www.maldivesoffer.com/> in desperation, leaving overseas Saints to take advantage of the limited number of discounted air fares available to visit family and friends.

Death of a great supporter of St Helena

Tony Fisk is not a household name in St Helena however he was very accomplished in his field of expertise and used his skills and experience to help benefit our future. He died last Friday just three weeks before he was due to represent St Helena at a conference to be held at the European Centre for Space Applications and Telecommunications in the UK. Tony Fisk was Commercial Director and Head of Practice at a leading engineering company specialising in submarine cables; Tony was one of the leading figures working to finalise plans for the St Helena connection to the fibre-optic cable planned to link South Africa and South America. He will be sorely missed.



Tony Fisk



FATHER'S DAY
Songs of Praise



AT

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ON SUNDAY 16TH JUNE 2019

AT 5PM

**PLEASE DO COME ALONG AND JOIN IN
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Garden Party at Plantation House on The Queen's Official Birthday



The Band plays on



The Governor starts to cut the cake



Governor Rushbrook toasts the The Queen



The birthday cake attracted much attention

a small Bed and Breakfast service thus making positive contribution to our unique tourist offering.



Badge of Honour presented to **Mrs Barbara Ann George** for her loyal and dedicated service to the St Helena Government where she served for 36 years; 15 years of which were spent in the teaching profession. Prior to her retirement in December 2018, Mrs George worked in Human Resources for 21 years. Mrs George is also a serving Justice of the Peace and undertakes the role of Secretary to the local Cricket Association where she was instrumental in arranging the first international cricket tournament.



Badge of Honour presented to **Mrs Marlene Mary Yon** for her services to the local community. She is a founding member of the St Helena Cancer Support and Awareness Charity and continues to work tirelessly to support cancer patients and their families. Mrs Yon has also maintained a keen interest in the youth of St Helena through her commitment to the Girl Guide Association which spans over 30 years, serving as a Rainbow Guide Leader, Cub Scout Leader, Vice President and Commissioner. Together with her husband, Mrs Yon runs

Garden Party at Plantation House on The Queen's Official Birthday

Badge of Honour presented to **Ms Tina Lynette Lucy** (better known as Teeny) for her services to the local community where she has used her knowledge and skills to promote local talent and worthy causes. She has served as Chairperson of the SPCA and the Donkey Home. Ms Lucy has drawn on her musical talent and expertise to teach music to individuals, having also taught music at Prince Andrew School. She has also been instrumental in organising concerts and art exhibitions, showing support and enthusiasm whilst encouraging people to reach their full potential.



Diocesan Synod Next Week

The Anglican diocese of St Helena will be having a Diocesan Synod (sin-ad) from Friday 21st June to Sunday 23rd June 2019. The opening of Synod (sin-ad) will commence this coming Friday 21st June at 6.30 pm at St Paul's Cathedral with Sung Eucharist.

Synod would normally take place every three years to gather God's people in prayer, to consult and to celebrate that we are Anglican Christians in mission. The purpose of Synod is to pass Diocesan Acts and pass motions to address the needs of God's people at this point in time. Synod will also report on the progress on previous Resolutions (Motions) passed in 1994, when the last Synod was held. From the Acts Passed and Resolutions made by Synod, this will form the agenda and work of the Diocese and parishes for the next three years.

Bishop Dale and Mrs Ivy Ellick explained that The Anglican Church has a structure whereby the four parishes of St Helena elect members of their Parish Councils to look after the affairs of the Parishes at the Annual Vestry Meeting. From these we also have a Diocesan Council which looks after the affairs of the Diocese and is the governing body whilst Synod is in recess. When it is announced that a Synod will be convened then parishes will elect representatives, three from each parish, to attend Synod as members of the house of Laity, all License Clergy will also be summons to attend Synod making up the house of Clergy, to discuss and pass Acts and Motions.

HE Governor Rushbrook as well as clergy of the other De-

nominations, Elected Members of Legislative Council has been invited to attend, along with representatives from other organisations and institutions. Synod is a public event and all members of the public can attend. HE the Governor will represent HM the Queen who is the Defender of the Faith in the Anglican Church.

Members of Synod will follow an agenda that has been compiled by the Diocesan Advisory Committee who has worked prayerfully over the last four months preparing for Synod. The Synod will open with a Charge to be delivered by the Lord Bishop, which is like a sermon but giving a reflection and direction to members on the work that has been done and to address current issues facing the Church and to adopt future plans for the Church and its people.

Bishop Dale Bowers said in a radio interview yesterday morning that the community is encouraged to attend the Synod at any time over the weekend as it will take place from 7.45 am to 6.30 pm on Saturday and 7.45 am to 3.30 pm on Sunday. It is hoped for a good attendance as the topics on the Agenda are relevant to touching the lives of the people of St. Helena, whereby they could feel more involved, provide more response and re-build the Church in a way so that they feel as if they truly belong to our Church Community.



Save Our Oceans? ... No One Else Will!

By Roxanna Williams

Our oceans provide us with an important source of food, our oceans also provide us with vital renewable energy, regulate our climate, affect our weather and scientists have discovered that many marine invertebrates produce antibiotic, anti-cancer and anti-inflammatory substances, which is why it is important to conserve, protect and restore our oceans.

Unfortunately, different human activities are placing our oceans under threat, for example over-fishing is producing fish population, threatening the supply of nutritious food and changing marine food webs. Plastics are also particularly problematic with enormous floating rubbish patches forming in the oceans. Climate change and its related impacts, such as ocean acidification, are affecting the survival of some marine species.

World Oceans Day (WOD) was born on 8th June 2002 with over two thousand organizations including youth groups and aquariums etc. promoting the awareness of the Ocean, concentrating on sustainable fishing and marine litter which were the main priorities at the time. Between the years of 2004 – 2008 a petition was made to make World Oceans Day Official.



Countries around the world celebrate WOD every year by participating in activities and events such as beach clean-ups and presentations to promote the day's development and activities. Last year over 120 countries took part in WOD activities and posted their events via the World Ocean's Day Website (www.worldoceansday.org).

This year the focus was on Gender and the Ocean, to discover possible ways to promote gender equality in ocean-related activities. On St Helena this year, the National Trust Marine Section helped Girl Guiding St Helena to gain one of their environmental badges by doing a beach clean-up and




other activities in collaboration with WOD, on Saturday 8th June.

National Trust Marine Assistant, Luke Bennett told us more about their activities on WOD, "We showed the Girl Guides different ways of doing a beach clean-up, we talked them through how it is done, and we also showed them how and why we use data sheets."

The Girl Guides were based at Sandy Bay Community Centre for the day where more activities took place, including educational activities with National Trust Educational Outreach Officer Sheena Isaac. She talked about the many different ways of recycling plastics and why it is beneficial for our environment.

Over 50 young ladies attended at Sandy Bay last Saturday and the day was concluded with a nice cooked lunch and the girls shared information which they had learned throughout the day.


"We need to respect our oceans as if our lives depend on it. Because they do." – American marine biologist, Sylvia Earle.



TIP OF THE WEEK

Know where your
master shut-off
valve is located.

Were a pipe to burst,
this could save
gallons of water and
prevent damage.



There is more to a cup of coffee than you might think

Solomon's announced this week that this year's coffee bean harvest has produced the biggest ever coffee export. Just under two tonnes of green coffee beans has been bought by coffee bean wholesalers in Belgium, France, Germany, Japan, UK and USA.

Sea Island Coffee, a UK supplier describing itself sometimes as *Merchants of Extraordinary Coffee* and at other times, *Exotic Coffee Merchants* is now sending St Helena coffee back to St Helena after roasting the green beans, grinding them when required and packaging the final product. Sea Island Coffee sells roasted coffee beans from Bamboo Hedge or Wranghams on-line for £35 and £45 for a 125g bag. Unroasted (green bean) coffee is sold in 500g bags at £72 or £128. Also available are capsules of coffee for Nespresso coffee machines. A pack of 60 capsules costs £79 or £1.31 per capsule (single cup) or a pack of 15 capsules for £25 which works out to £1.67 per capsule. Jamaica Blue Mountain coffee, for comparison, is sold by Sea Island Coffee at prices between £12.50 and £25 for a 125g bag.



A Gift Pack available at £282.00 – it includes coffee from Wranghams Estate, Bamboo Hedge Estate and Bamboo Hedge Estate Peaberry. Your Christmas gift problem solved!

Sea Island explain on their website “finest coffees tend to come from high altitudes on tropical islands such as St Helena, Jamaica, Hawaii, New Caledonia, the Canary Islands, etc., and it was in recognition of this agricultural phenomenon that we named our company Sea Island Coffee when we first started trading in 2007. Our vision was to source rare coffees from around the world and to sell them direct to consumers via our online store and in our flagship retail showroom in South Kensington, London. We are now in our 12th year of operation and currently export to more than 70 different countries around the world.”

In his most recent budget speech the Financial Secretary stated the total value of exports in 2017-18 was £320,000 with £290,000 being fish exports. Coffee exports will have made up most of the remaining export value of £30,000. The largest export of coffee to date was made by Solomon's in March this year and the export value has not yet been published. However, from the prices available the indications are a significant amount of extra money can be made through selling roasted coffee beans instead of green beans. Solomon's told the *Independent*, “Coffee production is a long-term investment. We have been expanding production over the years and will continue to develop our plantations to maximise yield and increase production further. We do have other land assets earmarked for coffee development in the future

and we are also progressing plans in respect of roasting.”



Solomon's St Helena Coffee – ready to go

Rosemary Gate Estate Coffee, produced by Bill Bolton and sold locally by his wife Jill, sells at £10 for a 125g bag. The Boltons handle every part of coffee bean production starting with planting the coffee bush from seed, completing the several processes to get the red cherry to a saleable green bean, roasting and packaging it and selling it direct to customers as a bag of coffee beans or a cup of coffee. Rosemary Gate Estate coffee has been sold at Harrods Department Store in London at £70 for a 100g bag. Even at the much lower local price of £10 for 125g for Rosemary Gate Estate coffee the value of Solomon's export of 1.936 tonnes would sell for a total of £155,000. This is likely to be about £100,000 more than value of the green bean currently exported.

The latest Sustainable Economic Development Plan (SEDP) recognises the potential value coffee bean production can have in export value and employment. The SEDP cites expertise in roasting coffee is required before the added value that comes with selling roasted beans can be realised. As the Boltons have been successfully roasting coffee beans for several years it is assumed this is not a difficult issue. The SEDP also mentions making local coffee more available locally so people can buy local. Solomon's is now selling locally, but, by importing the coffee they have previously exported and buying it back at a higher price. This counteracts the economic advantage of exporting it and adds weight to the view that full processing, roasting and packaging should be done in St Helena. The SEDP also states the main barrier to expansion of coffee production is land availability. The willingness of SHG to sell government land freehold is part of the problem, potential coffee growers finding land available which has the right soil, climate and topography is another.



A two year old coffee bush with a youthful seventy something Bill Bolton

Tory Leadership contender mocked after lampooning St Helena

Esther McVey, have you heard of her. Not many people have until recently, and that is only because she made a very public fool of herself on television when campaigning to be the next leader of the UK Conservative Party and, God forbid, Prime Minister. After her TV performance Esther McVey was mocked as Esther McVague.

The Metro newspaper in the UK reported, "Tory candidate Esther McVey has been mocked online after revealing she has no idea where foreign aid is being misspent. Appearing on radio station LBC, the former TV presenter and MP for Tatton stated that British taxpayer's money was being wasted on international development projects. Reeling off a list of examples, she said: 'We know airports have been built and, actually, the runways are in the wrong direction because of the winds.' Presenter Ian Dale then interrupted her to ask where in the world that had happened. But McVey could only respond: 'Erm, it's in er, er, continents...abroad.'"

Foreign Office minister Alan Duncan even weighed in on Twitter: 'Total rubbish. The runway in question is in St Helena. 'I was the DfID Minister (2010-2014) who built it – completed early, under budget, and despite difficult wind conditions it operates well. 'It fulfils our legal obligations to a UK overseas territory and so is not "foreign aid".'

While some newspapers had fun with McVey floundering when asked a simple question the Guardian newspaper pointed out McVey had submitted expenses claims as an MP for the fees charged by her personal photographer. The Guardian point out that McVey's own website is adorned with photos of herself. Over two years McVey has passed on the cost of her



Poser Esther McVey, posing during an expensive photo session

vanity to UK taxpayers for photographers fees amounting to £8,750. The report ends by stating only a handful of MPs support McVey's bid to be Conservative Party leader and prime minister.

Until now it has been Andrew Mitchell who has been labelled as responsible for making the final decision to build the airport. His visit in April last year was, in part, a public relations exercise to defend his decision to give the airport the go-ahead. Now Mr Mitchell has Foreign Office minister Alan Duncan claiming the credit for building the airport. Times have changed.

Note - Esther McVey was knocked out of the Tory leadership race yesterday



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AIRLINK REPRESENTATIVES VISIT FOR QUARTERLY REVIEW MEETING

Airlink's Chief Revenue Officer, Chris Hoare, and Marketing & Sales Manager, Karin Murray, visited St Helena between Saturday, 8, and Sunday, 9 June 2019, for the Air Service Agreement Quarterly Review meeting.

Discussions were held with representatives from the St Helena Government (SHG), Enterprise St Helena (ESH) and Legislative Council. Representatives from the Department for International Development (DFID) joined via telephone link.

Topics included planned marketing activities for 2019 and 2020, discussions around ongoing operations and various operational matters, future plans for the air service, and planning for flights over the coming years, particularly the forthcoming Cape Town flights which are scheduled for December 2019 to February 2020.

Acting Airport Contracts Manager, James Kellett, said:

"Whilst we are in regular dialogue with air service stakeholders, it is very helpful to have face-to-face conversations. As such we had a useful and wide ranging meeting on a number of topics relating to the air service, discussing the opportunities and challenges associated with operating an air service to St Helena and Ascension."

SHG, Airlink, ESH and DFID will continue to meet on a regular basis to monitor the performance of the air service, plan for future changes, and to discuss operational matters as they arise.

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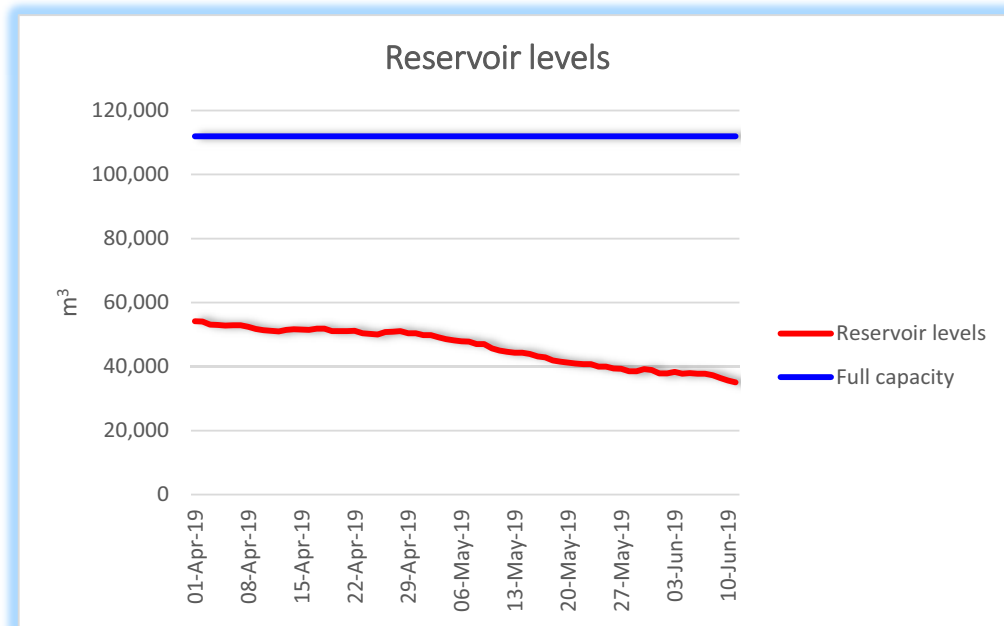
UPDATE ON ST HELENA WATER LEVELS

We are currently facing a collective raw water stock level of **30 days** on St Helena. This means that we are on the verge of a Serious Water Shortage, Stage 3 on the Drought Major Incident Plan.

This being the case, the public can expect formal water restrictions to be introduced in the near future if we continue on this course – where there is no rain and no drastic drop in water consumption.

Despite the fact that we are close to the expectant rainy season, we do need to take measures to protect our water stocks.

Below is a graph showing reservoir levels since 1 April 2019 to date, which is currently at 30% capacity, and the amount of water we need to get us back to full capacity.



We have another long weekend coming up this week, so we urge everyone to continue using water very sparingly and to please encourage friends, family, visitors and neighbours to do the same.

If you see any bursts or leaks, please do not hesitate to call us on telephone 22255 during working hours or our Out of Hours Contractor, David Constantine on telephone 22522 or 61307.

11 June 2019

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CONSTITUENCY MEETINGS

SUMMARY

Throughout April 2019 nine meetings were held across the Island for constituents to ask questions and raise concerns with their Councillors. It also provided Councillors the opportunity to update their constituents on what has been happening lately within St Helena Government Directorates.

Each meeting was led by six Councillors with a key topic of discussion being how can Councillors best communicate with their constituents. Just over 100 constituents attended the meetings and below is a summary of comments made, topics discussed, and issues raised with Councillors:

Environment, Natural Resources & Planning

- The invasion of the White Weed and other invasive plant species
- Maintenance of public toilets
- Litter on roads and at Rupert's Beach following the weekend
- Production of honey and flowering plants
- Available funding/subsidies for farms/farmers
- Importation of chickens



Infrastructure & Transport

- Land issues and legislation on land/house purchasing
- Half Tree Hollow Comprehensive Development Area
- Methods for repairing roads including pothole repairs
- Government Landlord Housing issues
- The state of Field Road
- Repairs to Bishop's Bridge and when these repairs would be carried out
- Whether using bicycles on Island roads could be dealt with separately to other work required to update the Road Traffic Ordinance

Safeguarding

- Whether clients/carers at home could be included in activity days at the Community Care Centre (CCC)
- Concerns around the proposed employment of 15 overseas carers for the CCC
- How the Safeguarding Directorate identifies what people meet the criteria for help e.g. Children's Services
- Why the Road Sweeper has a higher wage than carers at the CCC
- The Safeguarding Directorate had thrown away wheelchairs and beds that could be repaired and used

Health

- Increase of cockroaches in Jamestown
- Triage system at the Hospital
- Home slaughtering
- Training for Nurses
- Reassuring the public that medevacs are safe in Johannesburg
- Publicising the other additives in sugar-free drinks
- Mental Health Services
- How frozen products are handled
- Pharmacy closing and opening hours
- Out-of-hours appointments
- EMIS and Patient Source Systems
- Exemption from medical fees
- Having a more customer-friendly atmosphere at the Hospital Appointments Office and also informing the public of the service provided by the Pharmacist and that no appointment is needed
- Whether it would be more cost effective for SHG to fund the cost of a medical referral's family member accompanying them for caring purposes rather than paying for care to be provided by contracted carers in South Africa

Education

- What scope is available for decreasing the Import Tax for older children's academic study books
- Scholarship grants for students
- Qualifications of Inclusion teachers
- Communication with parents on the national curriculum
- Placing priority on reviewing the Education Ordinance
- Concerns around equal salary for qualified Saint teachers and expat staff
- How to conduct research on St Helena

Police

- Independent review of the Police
- Obtaining St Helenian Status

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL CONSTITUENCY MEETINGS

SUMMARY

Airport

- Update on Rupert's development
- How can we increase numbers for incoming flights
- Update on flights from Europe
- Whether we have GBAS (Ground-Based Augmentation System) at the Airport and if this instrument is important

Corporate Services

- What monitoring is being done on smoking and using mobile phones when using SHG vehicles and whether there could be more promotion
- Publishing policies, other than online, and making a simplified version available
- If negative updates could also be published in the booklet that is given to constituents at constituency meetings

Other

Other issues raised by members of the public over the course of the nine meetings included:

- Reviewing the Bank loan policy including exploring possible ways of giving support to a person paying a house loan and then getting a second job to support this, but then having to pay more tax thus making it not worthwhile and also how locals can secure a loan with the Bank for the purpose of home development when they don't meet the criteria
- Reviewing existing legislation - whereby land is bought and then there is no development within so many years
- Shortage of potatoes
- How SHG and Enterprise St Helena (ESH) policies link up, for example, water supply for agricultural purposes
- Connect Review should be published along with the salaries and bonuses for Connect staff
- Plans to improve water resources
- The remit of ESH
- Update on future ambitions of the Fisheries
- Update on fibre optic cable
- Update on PASH contract
- Concerns around a new contract for telecommunications
- Update on Mantis Hotel and other tourism facilities



Councillors agreed to provide answers on the issues raised along with answering specific questions raised by constituents.

Improving Councillor Communications

Council is keen to improve the way they communicate with their constituents. An item was included on the agenda to allow the public to give feedback and make suggestions on how Councillors could improve their communications. A wide variety of suggestions were made by constituents which will now be considered by Elected Members with the aim of developing upon what is already in place. Comments received during the meetings included:

- Continuing with district meetings
- Directors and relevant committees to accompany Elected Members at times so feedback can be given at the meeting
- Improved publicity of meetings including giving constituents advance notice
- Some meetings to be only about constituent matters
- Feedback to queries provided within a month and communicated directly to the person asking the question
- All 12 Councillors should attend each meeting
- Meetings should be held every 4-6 weeks
- Quarterly constituency meetings discussing topics that the public are interested in for general discussion and then short feedback from Councillors on other issues
- Individual feedback on specific questions asked by a constituent
- Using Facebook to engage and exchange discussion on ongoing 'hot' topics
- Consulting more with the public before key decisions are made
- Being able to submit questions to Councillors in advance of constituency meetings
- Setting out proposed actions when debating subjects with constituents
- Unless matter is urgent then feedback via telephone
- Feedback from constituency meetings should be displayed at the Castle

Councillors found the meetings extremely useful in gauging public opinion and would like to thank all who attended.

Legislative Council
11 June 2019



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PERSONAL ACCOUNT PACKAGES

With effect from Monday, 01 July 2019, the Bank of St Helena **Personal Premium Account Packages** are being restructured:

| Package | Features | Monthly Fee |
|----------|--|-------------|
| Basic | Local Debit Card | £0.00 |
| | 1 Free Monthly Statement | |
| Standard | Local Debit Card | £1.00 |
| | 1 Free Monthly Statement | |
| | £25.00 Interest Free Overdraft | |
| Premium | Local Debit Card | £2.00 |
| | Online Banking Statement access, unlimited Local Account Transfer & Journal Payments and International Payments | |
| | £100.00 Interest Free Overdraft | |

Register or upgraded to the Premium Personal Account Package, offering customers total banking control:

- The **Local Debit Card** to make purchases and get cashback from participating business establishments
- **Online Banking** to:
 - ⇒ Monitor your statement
 - ⇒ Make local Account transfers
 - ⇒ Make local Journal Payments
 - ⇒ Make International Payments
- **£100.00 interest free Overdraft**, for when you need it

Existing Classic and Premium Account Package customers will have their account packages amended automatically.

For full details, to register or to upgrade please contact Customer Services on Telephone 22390 or email customerservices@sainthelenabank.com



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ACCOUNT TRANSFER & INTERNATIONAL PAYMENT INSTRUCTIONS

Customers are advised that with effect from Tuesday, 01 October 2019, Bank of St Helena will no longer accept instructions for Account Transfers and International Payments by email.

Customers may submit forms in person or utilise the Bank's Online Banking services to undertake the required transaction.

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PERSONAL ACCOUNT PACKAGES UPGRADED

Customers are advised that with effect from **Monday, 01 July 2019** Bank of St Helena Ltd will implement its **revised Personal Account Package structure**.

- The Basic and Standard Account Packages will remain as is.
- The Classic Package will be **removed**, all Classic Package customers will be **upgraded** to the Premium Package – **for no additional charge**
- The Premium Account Package will have the Journal Payments feature added to the Online Banking services and the Monthly Package fee will be reduced to £2.00

Register for, or upgrade to, the new Premium Account Package and take total control of your banking needs.
Contact Customer Services on 22390 or email customerservices@sainthelenabank.com for full details.

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Vacancy for Cleaner – Atlantic Relay Station (ARS)

Encompass Digital Media Services has a vacancy for a full-time Cleaner at the BBC Atlantic Relay Station on Ascension Island.

Cleaning of industrial facilities at the Transmitter and Power Station sites comprising of, but not restricted to, offices, welfare facilities, storerooms, transmitters halls and operational areas. Other tasks as required, and within the post-holder's capability, (such as Legionella management) for the ARS and Customer premises.

This post will be offered on either a single or household status contract, with accommodation in a single ensuite room with self-catering facilities if on a single contract.

Any offer of employment will be conditional on passing a medical examination.

Qualifications & Experience Required:-

- Adequate understanding of safety procedures and safe working practices, particularly in the Cleaning area.
- Knowledge of working with hazardous substances used as part of function.
- Competent in Cleaning Duties.
- Strong self-motivation and ability to work with minimum of supervision.
- Manual Handling Training and other Statutory Safety Training specific to role.
(Statutory Safety Training will be provided to the successful candidate, where this is needed.)
- Full Driving Licence.

Desirable Qualifications/Experience

- Experience of cleaning techniques
- Willing to work unsociable hours if required.

A copy of the **Job Description** can be obtained from the Admin Office on contact details given below.

Further Qualifications/Experience requirements are detailed in the job description.

Please contact the Administrative Officer on +247 66800 (Extn 102) or email Glen.Yon@babcock.co.ac, for a **Job Application Form**, **Job Description** and for further information regarding the post.

Applications to be sent to:

Administrative Officer
BBC Atlantic Relay Station
English Bay
Ascension Island (or email Glen.Yon@babcock.co.ac)

or Fax direct to : +247 66117

Closing date for applications for this post is **Friday 21st June 2019** and should be submitted on our job application form.

Vacancy- Investment Co-ordinator



Enterprise St Helena is seeking to employ an experienced administrator to work within their Investment Team.

Reporting to the Investment Manager the successful applicant will be responsible for providing a high level of administration support with all day to day activities carried out within the Investment function.

The successful candidate must have:

- Advanced general administrative skills/knowledge
- Strong working knowledge of Microsoft Office packages
- Excellent written and verbal communication skills, and the ability to work well as part of a team

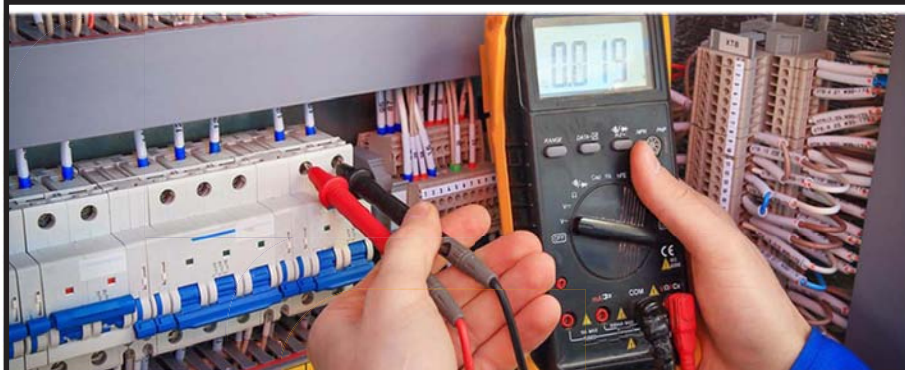
A copy of the Terms of Reference and an application form can be obtained via email or collected from the Enterprise St Helena Office at Ladder Hill Business Park. Completed application forms should be submitted to the HR and Administration Manager, Ladder Hill Business Park by no later than close of business Friday 28th June 2019.



For further information please contact Cherie Dillon on telephone 22920 or via email Cherie.Dillon@esh.co.sh

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Solomon & Company (St Helena) Plc has a Vacancy for an

Electrician, Air Conditioning and Refrigeration Mechanic

Within the Electrical Works Department

Job Outline

To ensure that in-house and private jobs are undertaken competently and in a timely manner while ensuring high standards of work are delivered at all times in accordance with Company requirements and local regulations.

Interested Persons Should:

- Have knowledge and experience in electrical engineering
- Have experience of maintaining air-conditioning and refrigeration systems
- Be flexible to work out of normal working hours, to cover on-call duties as and when required
 - Have good Customer Service skills
 - Have a valid driving licence
 - Possess a St Helenian Wireman's Licence
- Ideally be qualified at Level 3 City & Guilds Electrical Qualification or equivalent

Salary for the position is £10,849.20 per annum (£904.10 per month), depending on qualifications and experience

For further information, including the Company's attractive benefits package, please contact
Andrew Henry
Senior Electrical Engineer
on telephone number: 22380
or via email address:
electricalengineer@solomons.co.sh

Application forms may be collected from Solomons Reception Desk, in the Main Office Building, Jamestown or alternatively an electronic copy can be requested via e-mail address: hradmin@solomons.co.sh and should be completed and returned to Miss Daryl Legg, Human Resources Officer, Solomons Office, Jamestown,
By 24 June 2019



2021 marks the 200th anniversary of Emperor Napoleon's death on St Helena, following his exile to the Island in 1815. Napoleon is one of St Helena's main tourist attractions and as such the Bicentenary presents an opportunity to commemorate his life and death, and to use the occasion to grow the tourist industry for the benefit of civil society, the private sector and the Island as a whole.

Enterprise St Helena is seeking to employ an experienced and qualified Project Manager to be the programme focal point, and to build on the work of the 2021 Visioning Group by leading the development, implementation and delivery of the Bicentenary Vision and Goals. The role will involve working with a wide range of stakeholders, and will require dedication and energy. It is anticipated that the contract will be offered on a part-time basis of three days per week in the first instance, however hours will be flexible within the working week, and can be discussed further at interview.

The successful candidate will report to the Director of Tourism and must be :

An experienced and qualified project manager, with excellent communication and interpersonal skills; the ability to speak French fluently will be a distinct advantage.

A copy of the Terms of Reference and an application form can be obtained via email or collected from the Enterprise St Helena Office at Ladder Hill Business Park. Completed application forms should be submitted to the Tourism Manager, Juliet Williams, Ladder Hill Business Park by no later than close of business Friday 28th June 2019.



For further information please contact: Juliet Williams on telephone number 22920 or email Juliet.Williams@tourism.co.sh



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The Falkland Islands Company

Retail Supervisor

The FIC is looking to recruit a Supervisor to work within their West Store Foodhall.

The successful applicant must be able to demonstrate great supervisory skills and be able to lead, motivate and coach their team whilst providing a fantastic customer service experience.

The person must be a highly energetic, confident and motivated individual who has a passion for retail.

A willingness to work across any of our retail departments as and when the need arises is essential. We are open seven days a week and open on public holidays and bank holidays, so shift work and weekend work will be included.

Applicants must be of clean sober habits. A clean driving licence will be considered favourable.

For more information or to submit your CV with covering letter please contact :
Tara Francis—Retail Director on 00500 27635 or Email: tfrancis@fic.co.fk



GENERAL MANAGER ST HELENA FISHERIES CORPORATION

FIXED-TERM FOR 1 YEAR

ARE YOU LOOKING FOR A CHALLENGE AND DO YOU WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE?

Responsible to a Board of Management for the effective development and maintenance of SHFC corporate functions, you will have oversight and management of all SHFC initiatives for developing tuna grading quality systems, improving and developing customer relations, staff development and transfer of knowledge and skills, product enhancement and advancing and developing local and international marketing, in pursuit of revolving the current business into a profit-making business operation.

This is a challenging appointment offering the opportunity to shape a key component of an expanding island economy, and to build an international seafood brand that has quality at the forefront, coupled with representing the unique culture and history of the island promoting our sustainable practices.

SHFC is seeking to recruit an experienced dynamic, energetic, enthusiastic individual to fill the role of General Manager to manage and guide the Corporation through a period of huge change. Uppermost in the credentials for this position is the ability to build effective and responsive interpersonal relationships, whereby staff members, colleagues and executives respect you. This is of utmost importance in an ever-changing environment as challenges can occur regularly due to the nature of the business and the logistical issues that may arise.

Of equal importance is a proven track record in financial and business planning, leadership, and delivery of performance against targets focused on controlling costs and raising revenues in a demanding fresh food trading business within the timescales allocated.

Having a proven track record of working in the fishing industry, more specifically a tuna fishery at corporate levels with "hands on" experience would be advantageous.

Familiarity or indeed the desire to learn about the fishery is essential, especially in terms of knowing the requirements expected in terms of both quality and technical standards by international buyers when processing fresh and frozen fish and indeed the passion to want to promote our fishery both locally and internationally is key.

Requirements

The successful applicant will:

- Demonstrate a proven track record of working as a commercial sector manager with a minimum of 5 years' experience.
- Excellent financial appraisal, modelling and forecasting skills
- Has the ability to build a team and encourages staff collaboration.

Salary for this post will range from £19k - £25k per annum subject to relevant experience.

Please visit the SHFC website to learn more at <http://www.sthelenatuna.co.uk/>

Application forms and a copy of the Job Profile can be obtained from Corporate Human Resources and should be submitted to Bronwen Yon, Senior HR Officer, Corporate HR, The Castle by no later than **Tuesday, 25 June 2019** or email bronwen.yon@sainthelena.gov.sh

SHG positively accepts applications from all members of the community regardless of race, gender, disability, age, sexual orientation, religion or belief, and will consider all applications on the basis of merit, in accordance with the person specification. All disabled applicants meeting the minimum criteria listed in the job profile will be guaranteed an interview.

Corporate Human Resources Vacancies

Would you like to pursue a Career in Human Resources or interested in a Career change? If you are, then Corporate Human Resources has two exciting opportunities available for individuals who are self-motivated and willing to learn and develop within their team.

Human Resources Support Officer

The purpose of this diverse role is to provide an efficient and effective administrative and financial support to Corporate Human Resources. Some of the key tasks include:

- To conduct research for example in respect of employment history queries and pension queries
- To process of payments and payroll data for our HR functions;
- To provide Secretarial support to Corporate Services Recruitment panels;
- To provide support to the Contracts team with recruitment exercises and data capturing.

Prospective Candidates should have GCSE's in English and Maths at Grade C or above, at least 2 years' experience in working in an office environment, 1 of which should be in an accounting role.

The post requires strong communication and excellent organizational skills with a keen eye for detail. The post holder should be proficient in IT skills including Microsoft applications and Access Dimensions and should have the ability to work under pressure to be able to meet tight timescales.

Salary for the post is at Grade C commencing at £8,613 per annum.

For further details regarding the duties of the post and for a copy of the job profile, interested persons can contact Delma Stevens, Senior HR Officer (I&SM) on Tel No. 22470 or email delma.stevens@sainthelena.gov.sh.

Human Resources Officer (Generalist)

This equally diverse role is responsible for providing an effective HR service to colleagues across the group and comprehensive administrative support covering the entire employee lifecycle. Some of the key tasks include:

- To lead and assist managers where necessary with the recruitment process;
- Being responsible for matters relating to employee relations across SHG;
- To provide advice and support to managers and staff in the interpretation and application of the Code of Management and other regulations relating to Terms and Conditions of Service;
- Serving as the main point of contact for allocated Technical Corporation Officers providing them with support on any contractual arrangements.

Prospective Candidates should have GCSE's in English and Maths at Grade C or above, Chartered Institute of Personnel Development (CIPD) Level 3 Certificate in Human Resources Practice, at least 2 years' relevant experience in an HR/Administrative environment.

The post requires strong communication and excellent organizational skills with attention to detail. The post holder should be proficient in IT skills including Microsoft applications and should have the ability to remain calm whilst working under pressure to meet tight deadlines.

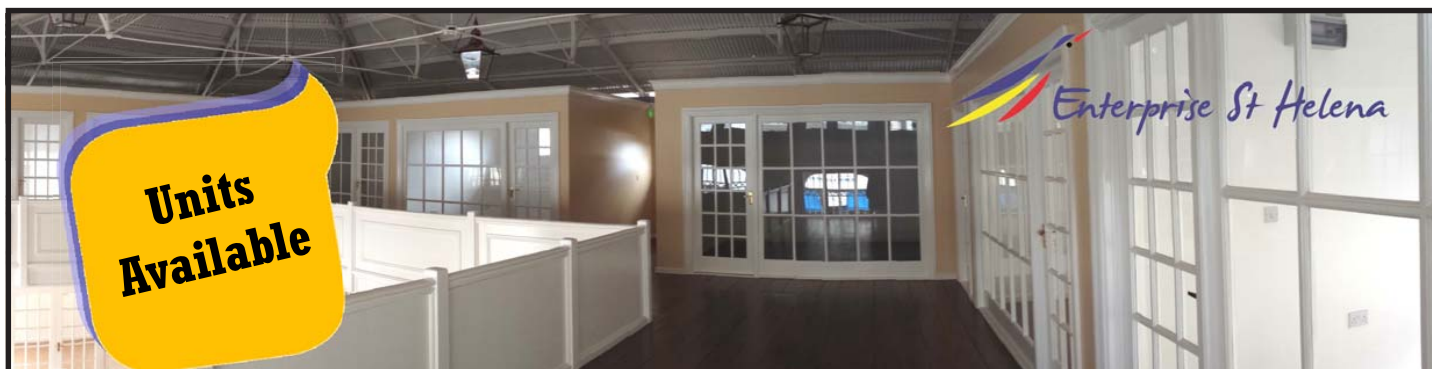
Salary for the post will commence at £9,904 per annum and will be reviewed on the achievement of training goals in line with the Corporate Human Resources Cadre.

For further details regarding the duties of the post and for a copy of the job profile, interested persons can contact Bronwen Yon on Tel No. 22470 or email bronwen.yon@sainthelena.gov.sh.

Application forms are available from Corporate Human Resources and on the SHG website at: www.sainthelena.gov.sh/vacancies/, and should be submitted (through Directors where applicable) to: Delma Stevens, Senior HR Officer (I&SM), Corporate Human Resources, The Castle by no later than 4pm on Tuesday, 18 June 2019.

Corporate Human Resources
04 June 2019





Units available at the Jamestown Market and ESH Business Park, Ladder Hill

Enterprise St Helena (ESH) have units available for rent to local entrepreneurs for non-industrial / clean business at the Jamestown Market and ESH Business Park, Ladder Hill.

Applications should be submitted to Emma Peters, Receptionist/Administration Support, in the form of an extended business brief detailing your planned business and intended opening hours with a 3 year cash flow via email emma.peters@esh.co.sh or in hard copy to the Enterprise St Helena Office, ESH Business Park by no later than 1200 hours (GMT) on Monday 24th June 2019.

Terms and Conditions apply.



**For further information please contact: Robert Midwinter,
Director of Enterprise**

on 22920 or email: robert.midwinter@esh.co.sh

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Vacancy – Business Support Administrator (HR)

Connect Saint Helena Ltd has a vacancy for a Business Support Administrator-HR (BSA-HR). Responsible to the Business Support Director, the BSA-HR will be proactive in assisting with all Human Resources related matters, and provide support to Directors, Managers and Staff as required.

Duties include:

Being first point of contact for all HR related queries, assisting with Recruitment & Selection, Training & Development and Disciplinarys; coordinating yearly Staff Appraisals; preparation of consultancy contracts; reviewing of HR Policies; maintaining HR records and annual leave administration, and secretarial duties to various committees.

The ideal candidate will possess good customer service skills, be highly proficient in the use of Microsoft Word and Excel; have excellent organisation skills and be able to multi task and prioritise work to meet deadlines; work independently as well as in a team; communicate effectively both written and orally; and maintain complete confidentiality throughout.

Qualifications and Experience:

Essential: Grade C or above in GCSE English and Maths; 3 year's experience in a busy office environment; Driving Licence class A or C.

Desirable: CIPD Certificate/Diploma Level 3 in Human Resources Practice.

Connect Saint Helena Ltd offers a competitive salary dependent on qualifications and experience. Other benefits include a 15% of base salary pension contribution and 25 days annual leave. The Company also offers support for relevant training courses to enhance skills and capabilities.

For a full job description and application form, please contact Kerry Lane on 22255 or email kerry.lane@connect.co.sh. Completed application forms should be sent to the above email address or delivered to Seales Corner, Jamestown by 12:00 noon on Friday, 21 June 2019.



Solomon & Company (St Helena) Plc
has a vacancy for a

Grocery Sales Assistant

Within the Half Tree Hollow Supermarket
on temporary basis

Job Outline

To provide a high standard of customer service and to assist with the day-to-day running of the shop.

Interested Persons Should:

- Have excellent Customer Service skills
- Be competent in Maths, English & IT
- Have some knowledge & experience in Food Handling
- Have some experience in Cash Handling

Salary for the post will be £605.05 per month

For further information,
including the Company's
attractive benefits package,
please contact
Marilyn Joshua,
Grocery Manager
(Country Outlets)
on telephone number: 23559
or via email address:
hth-manager@solomons.co.sh

Application forms may be collected
from Solomons Reception Desk, in the
Main Office Building, Jamestown or
alternatively an electronic copy can
be requested via e-mail address:
hradmin@solomons.co.sh and should
be completed and returned to Nicola
Essex, Human Resources Manager,
Solomons Office, Jamestown,
by 18 June 2019.



Solomon & Company (St Helena) Plc
has a vacancy for a

Supervisor

Within the Jamestown Fuel Station

Job Outline

To be responsible for the day to day operations of the Jamestown Fuel Station ensuring maximum performance and quality service is delivered on a consistent and timely basis.

Interested Persons Should:

- Have good leadership skills & some supervisory experience
- Have good Customer Service skills
- Have Cash Handling experience and be familiar with EPOS Cash Tills
- Have Health & Safety awareness when handling substances hazardous to health

Salary will start at £8,787.84 per annum, (£732.32 per month)

For further information,
including the Company's
attractive benefits package,
please contact
Mia Henry,
Fuel Stations Manager
on telephone number: 22380
or via email address:
fuelstations.manager@solomons.co.sh

Application forms may be collected
from Solomon's Reception Desk, in
the Main Office Building, Jamestown
or alternatively an electronic copy
can be requested via e-mail address:
hradmin@solomons.co.sh and should
be completed and returned to Nicola
Essex, Human Resources Manager,
Solomons Office, Jamestown,
By 18 June 2019

APPLICATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT PERMISSION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that an Application has been received in respect of the following proposals:

1. **Application 2018/47:** FULL Planning Application to **Change from a Bungalow to a Split Level Dwelling**, Barren Ground, on Parcel 0251 Barren Ground, adjacent to Mr Wilson Peters. Applicant: Madolyn Andrews
2. **Application 2019/48:** FULL Planning Application for **Construction of a Pet Care Centre**, Merrimens Forest, on Parcel 0595 Scotland. Applicant: Rodney Yon
3. **Application 2019/49:** FULL Planning Application for **Alterations to Approved Application comprising the following a Porch, Change from Dormer to Gable End, together with Internal Alterations and New Windows on the East and West Elevation**, Half Way, on Parcel 1336 Half Tree Hollow, adjacent to Cherie Dillon. Applicant: Robert Henry

Copies of the Applications and Plans may be inspected by prior appointment with the Planning Section, Essex House, Main Street, Jamestown, Monday to Friday, from 8.30am to 4pm. Appointments can be made with the Secretary on Telephone 22270 or email Karen.Isaac@sainthelena.gov.sh stating the Application Reference Number they wish to inspect.

Any person who wishes to make Representations on the above Application should make them in writing within 14 days, to the Planning Office, Essex House, Main Street, Jamestown or Email Karen.Isaac@sainthelena.gov.sh

Public Review Commencement Date : 14 June 2019
Public Review Closing Date : 28 June 2019

Shane Williams
Planning Officer



VACANCY – CLOUD FOREST NURSERY OFFICER

The Environment, Natural Resources and Planning Directorate is recruiting a Nursery Officer to work within the Peaks National Park, the post is funded by the RSPB Wildlife Charity. The Nursery Officer will provide invaluable assistance towards the propagation of endemic cloud forest species and habitat restoration activities.

The candidate should have a certificate in basic numeracy and literacy, adequate knowledge of nursery propagation techniques and of St Helena's native habitats. The candidate should also have experience of working at heights and on steep terrain. A clean driver's licence (Class C) is also essential.

This is a one year fixed term contract and the successful candidate will be expected to commence work as soon as practicable.

Salary for the post will range from Grade B1 (£6,722 per annum) to B4 (£7,266 per annum) depending on experience. For further details regarding this post, interested persons should contact Miss Sasha Bargo, Terrestrial Conservation Officer on telephone number 24724 or e-mail sasha.bargo@sainthelena.gov.sh

Application forms and job profiles, which are available from Essex House and Scotland Office should be completed and submitted to Miss Karen Thomas, Human Resources Manager or email karen.thomas@sainthelena.gov.sh by no later than Wednesday 26 June 2019.

All appointments are subject to the successful candidate providing satisfactory clearances, including a medical check and vetting/DBS clearance. SHG reserves the right to have information provided on the application form independently verified. SHG positively accepts applications from all members of the community regardless of race, gender, disability, age, sexual orientation, religion or belief, and will consider all applications on the basis of merit, in accordance with the person specification. All disabled applicants meeting the minimum criteria listed in the job profile will be guaranteed an interview.

Darren Duncan
Acting Director of Environment, Natural Resources and Planning
12 June 2019



VACANCY – TWO MECHANICS AND A TRAINEE MECHANIC

The Infrastructure and Transport Directorate is seeking to recruit two Mechanics and a Trainee Mechanic. The Mechanics will be responsible to the Garage Manager and Foreman (Mechanic) for the repairs and maintenance of government vehicles and heavy plant equipment. The Trainee will receive on the job training on a range of areas and will need to provide assistance with the maintenance of vehicles and plant equipment.

The Mechanics should have in possession a Motor Mechanics certificate (or equivalent qualification) plus have at least 2 years practical experience and have a valid driving licence. The Trainee should have at least 2 years practical/work experience and the potential to undertake driving lessons in various classes associated with work.

The salary for these posts are as follows:

Mechanic - Grade B commencing at £7,730 per annum and
Trainee Mechanic - Grade A commencing at £5,713 per annum

For further details regarding this post, interested persons should contact Mr Theodore Fowler on telephone number 23065 or e-mail Garage.Manager@helenta.co.sh. Application forms and job profiles, which are available from Essex House, James-town, should be completed and submitted to the Human Resources Manager or email karen-thomas@enrd.gov.sh by no later than Wednesday 26th June 2019.

All appointments are subject to the successful candidate providing satisfactory clearances, including a medical check and vetting/DBS clearance. SHG reserves the right to have information provided on the application form independently verified. SHG positively accepts applications from all members of the community regardless of race, gender, disability, age, sexual orientation, religion or belief, and will consider all applications on the basis of merit, in accordance with the person specification. All disabled applicants meeting the minimum criteria listed in the job profile will be guaranteed an interview.

Derek Henry
Acting Director of Infrastructure and Transport Directorate
11 June 2019



VACANCY FOR A HIGHER LEVEL TEACHING ASSISTANT

The Education & Employment Directorate is seeking to employ a suitable person to fill the post of Higher Level Teaching Assistant within the Primary Sector of the Directorate.

The purpose of the post is to provide assistance to the class teacher by supporting teaching and learning in the school/classroom environment. In addition, they will be responsible for teaching 25% of the school teaching timetable independently, and will plan, prepare and deliver lessons and assess, record and report on development, progress and attainment of pupils

Applicants must be in possession of a GCSE in English and Math's at Grade C or above and have at least two years' experience of working as a Teaching Assistant. The ideal candidate must be self motivated, have good interpersonal skills and have a passion for working with children.

Salary payable will range from Grade TA3, £8,235 to TA4, £8,828 per annum but is dependent upon qualifications and experience.

For further details regarding this post and a full job description, interested persons should contact Mrs. Carlean Crowie, Headteacher Harford Primary School on telephone number 24719 or e-mail carlean.crowie@primary.edu.sh

Application forms which are available from Education & Employment Directorate and Corporate Human Resources should be completed and submitted, through Directors where applicable, to the Acting Administration Officer at the Education Learning Centre or e-mail santana.fowler@sainthelena.gov.sh -by no later than 4pm on Friday, 21 June 2019.

SHG positively accepts applications from all members of the community regardless of race, gender, disability, age, sexual orientation, religion or belief, and will consider all applications on the basis of merit, in accordance with the person specification. All disabled applicants meeting the minimum criteria listed in the job profile will be guaranteed an interview.

Wendy Benjamin
Director of Education & Employment
13 June 2019



Get Dressed For Success!

Roxanna Williams

In 2014 Pamela Murray came to St Helena under the Voluntary Services Overseas (VSO) scheme. During her 2 years on Island, she set up Creative Saint Helena, and also created the Saint Helena Design House project, which ran for 3 months and concluded with a live fashion show at the Wharf in Jamestown.

Wanda Isaac also participated in the Design House project, teaching others the inner workings of sewing and creating clothes. Pamela told the Independent, "Wanda is such an incredible dressmaker, with great skills and at the time it was so expensive to ship clothing to the island, so we wanted to see if there was an interest from people to learn from her."

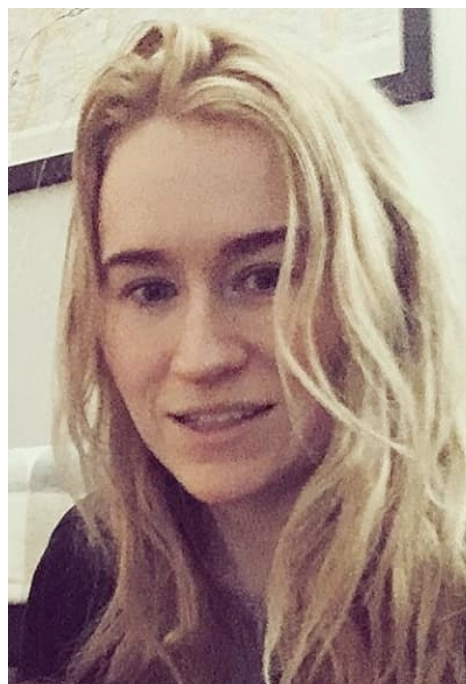
Pamela was one of the first to learn from Wanda during the project, she taught Pamela how to use a Sewing machine and how to draw a pattern. From there on Pamela started making clothing for herself and friends here on St Helena and overseas, "All of my friends started to get married so I thought it would be a fun project to make dresses for their weddings." She said.

After spending two years on St Helena Island Pamela returned home to Dublin in Ireland, where she then went on to take night classes at Grafton Fashion Academy, furthering her knowledge of designing and creating clothing.

Currently Pamela is living in the city of Buenos Aires in Argentina which is where she plans to stay for a year. She has started her very own small business; she launched her first clothing line called 'PAMALAM' on 6th June of this year.

We asked Pamela what inspires her to create such stunning clothing, "It usually starts choosing the fabrics, the feel and texture gives me inspiration for the clothes, and I try to create fun but functional clothing", she said.

Pamela plans to continue to grow her business slowly. She told us, "I've received my first orders, which is great and I plan



Pamela Murray

to get the business up and running over the next few months." Her next work plans include social media and branding. When we asked Pamela what her greatest achievement has been so far, she told us "Well it's a bit soon to tell but making the collection samples and launching the Website (PAMALAM.com) is the first step."

Pamela is very happy that our little island of St Helena and its people gave her the inspiration to go on and create her small business in Argentina.



Understanding dog behaviour

YOUR DOG'S BODY LANGUAGE CAN HELP YOU TO UNDERSTAND HOW THEY ARE FEELING

A happy dog

A dog who is happy will be relaxed.

1

Dog has a relaxed body posture, smooth hair, mouth open and relaxed, ears in natural position, wagging tail, eyes normal shape.



2

Dog is inviting play with bottom raised, smooth hair, high wagging tail, eyes normal shape, ears in natural position, may be barking excitedly.



3

Dog's weight is distributed across all four paws, smooth hair, tail wagging, face is interested and alert, relaxed and mouth open.



A worried dog

These dogs are telling you that they are uncomfortable and don't want you to go near them.

1

Dog is standing but body posture and head position is low. Tail is tucked under, ears are back and dog is yawning.



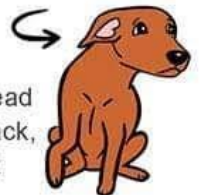
2

Dog is lying down and avoiding eye contact or turning head away from you and lip licking and ears are back.



3

Dog is sitting with head lowered, ears are back, tail tucked away, not making eye contact, yawning, raising a front paw.



An angry or very unhappy dog

These dogs are not happy and want you to stay away or go away.

1

Dog is standing with a stiffened body posture, weight forward, ears are up, hair raised, eyes looking at you – pupils dark and enlarged, tail is up and stiff, wrinkled nose.



2

Dog is lying down cowering, ears flat, teeth showing, tail down between legs.



3

Dog is standing with body down and weight towards the back, head is tilted upwards, mouth tight, lips drawn back, teeth exposed, eyes staring, ears back and down, snarling.



St Helena SPCA. Concerned about an animal or need advice? Call 22999 and your call will be returned ASAP.



Golf Report - Contributed

Nineteen Members participated in the 18 Hole Par 3 competition held on Sunday 9th June 2019. Despite some windy conditions, the day turned out to be an enjoyable afternoon of golf. After a count back Dawid Breed emerged as the winner with a net score of 61 with Jeffrey Stevens claiming 2nd place. Congratulations to Dawid and Jeffrey. There were seven two ball winners for the day. Dawid Breed, Larry Legg, Paddo Johnson, Brain Fowler, Bramwell Lumukwana and Jeffrey Stevens with two. Congratulations to all.

The Annual Presidents Cup, a 36 Hole Strokeplay (full handicap) competition is scheduled for the next two Sundays 16th & 23rd June 2019 and the first group tee off time is 12 noon. This competition will be sponsored by the Club President Ronald De Reuck. You may register your name on the sign-up sheet at the Golf Club or leave a voicemail on telephone number 24421.

JAMESTOWN COMMUNITY CENTRE SKITTLES SEASON - 2019

Scores:

3rd. June

PARTTIMERS - 520 Bt STRUGGLERS - 476

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| Ladies - H. Sc:Tanya Augustus | 60 | Sally Hickling | 55 |
| Ladies - H. Sp:Tanya Augustus | 14 | | |
| Gents - H. Sc:Colin Thomas | 68 | Fabian Peters | 62 |
| Gents - H. Sp:Colin Thomas | 17 | Matthew Williams | 9 |

5th. June

EXTRACTORS - 518 Bt RUSTY PISTOLS - 490

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|-------------------------------|----|----------------|----|
| Ladies - H. Sc: | | Terri Clingham | 46 |
| Ladies - H. Sp: | | | |
| Gents - H. Sc:Richard Johnson | 69 | Phillip Isaac | 59 |
| Gents - H. Sp:Julian Fuller | 17 | Phillip Isaac | 14 |

Upcoming fixture:

Wednesday 19th June: Rusty Pistols v Parttimers

CHILDREN & ADULTS SOCIAL CARE DIRECTORATE 'CARE' CAMPAIGN

As part of the Children & Adults Social Care Directorate's 'CARE': Caring And Respecting Everyone Campaign, an open-door recruitment event was held at the Princess Royal Community Care Centre (CCC) on Friday, 7 June 2019.

The event allowed interested persons to talk with directorate staff, learn more about working in Social Care and explore a typical day in the life of a Carer. Attendees were also able to meet with some of the residents and were given an overview of life at the CCC. Same-day interviews were also available. Quality Assurance & Policy Lead, Gavin 'Jack' Thomas, said: "Care work is a fantastic career that allows you to make a real difference to people's lives every day. We are hopeful that as a result of our CARE campaign, we will be in a position to proceed in making provisional offers of employment, subject to the outcome of suitability checks.

"We want the CARE Campaign to be an example of reaching out to the general public, and our recruitment strategy being a two-way process. We take this opportunity of thanking everyone who supported the CARE Campaign and we look forward to seeing even more people walk through the door at similar events in the future."

If you were unable to attend the open-door recruitment event but would like to make an appointment to discuss career opportunities in Social Care, please contact Lisa Thomas at Brick House on tel: (00 290) 22713.

Quality Assurance & Policy Lead, Gavin (Jack) Thomas, said: "If you have the values and personality our residents and tenants depend on, then why not go along to the CCC any time between 12noon and 5pm today. Light refreshments will be served."

For more information about opportunities to work in social care, please contact:

Gavin (Jack) Thomas at Brick House on tel: 22713 or via email: gavin.thomas@sainthelena.gov.sh

Victoria Kellett at Brick House on tel: 22713 or via email: victoria.kellett@sainthelena.gov.sh

Wendy Henry at the CCC on tel: 23090 or via email: Wendy.Henry@sainthelena.gov.sh

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7 June 2019

GOVERNOR TO DEPART ON OVERSEAS BUSINESS

Governor Dr Philip Rushbrook will depart the Island on Sunday, 9 June 2019, for a week of business in London.

Governor Rushbrook will join Governors from other Overseas Territories during a 'Leadership Week' where His Excellency will have the opportunity to meet with colleagues and raise and discuss issues relating to St Helena, Ascension Island and Tristan da Cunha.

The Governor will return to the Island on Saturday, 15 June 2019. During HE's absence, Head of the Governor's Office, Louise MacMorran, will be Acting Governor.

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**St Helena
Government**

Notice of Application

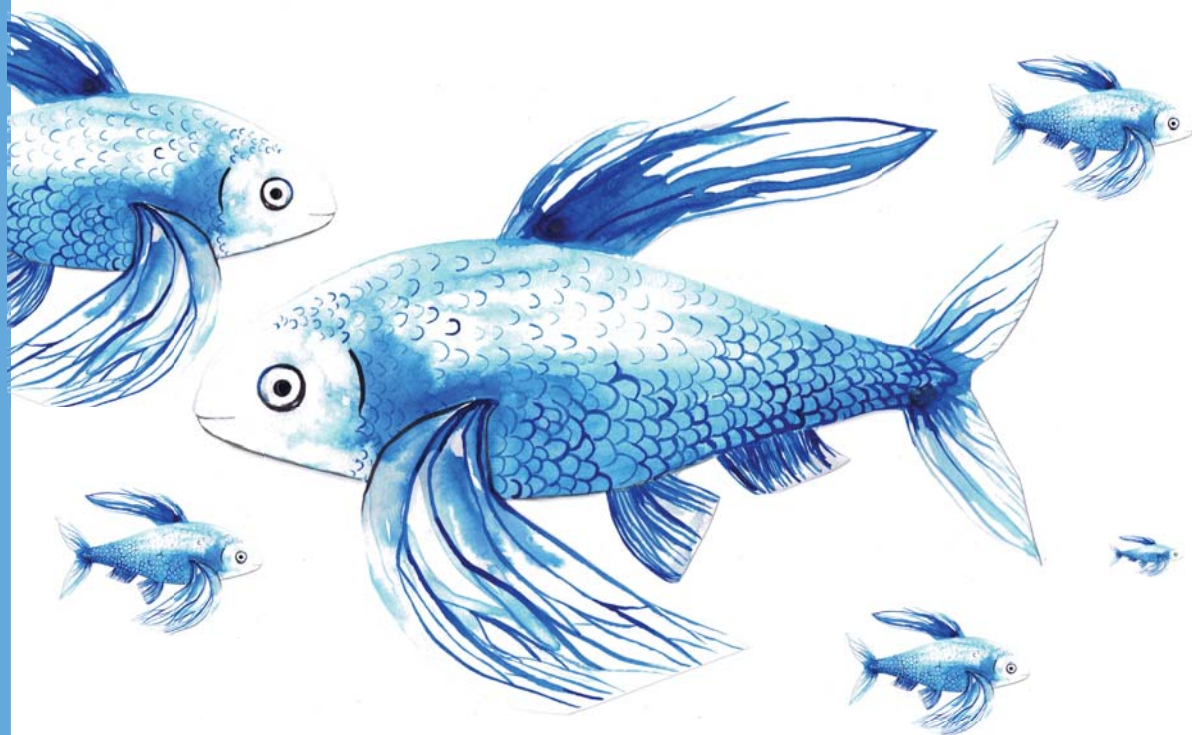
NOTICE IS HEREBY given under section 33 of the Immigration Ordinance, 2011, read with Regulation 2(2)(a) of the Immigration (Landholding) Regulations, 2012, that an application has been made for a Landholding Licence under the Ordinance, details of which are:

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|---------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Applicant(s): | |
| Name: | (1) PAUL ROBERT O’SULLIVAN (2) |
| Address: | 7 Janine Road, Sandown, Johannesburg |
| Occupation: | (1) Sole Director (2) |
| The Land: | |
| Interest to be acquired: | Freehold |
| Land Registry Section: | Thompson’s Hill |
| Block: | 1 |
| Parcel N ^o : | 185 & 186 |
| Area: | 105 acres |
| Current Owner(s): | Solomon & Company (St Helena) Plc |
| Intended Use: | Residential Development |

And that any person may object to the granting of such licence by lodging his or her objection in writing, within 14 days from the date of this notice, to the undersigned.

Dated this 06th day of June 2019

Freda P Yon
Secretary (Immigration Control Board)



YOU ARE INVITED TO **ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING**

MONDAY 1ST JULY

7PM

**ART AND CRAFTS
THE CANISTER (TBC)**



Art & Crafts
Uniquely Saint

Come meet the current Art & Crafts Board, consider a role on the Board and listen to our Guest speaker's talk regarding Napoleonic souvenirs. Be inspired and come away with ideas on how to customise your souvenirs to St Helenians and visitors to St Helena.

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: 220101

The Latest from Anglesey (Ynys Mon)

A Report from Pat McGuinness said - Next Sunday will see the team make history when they will step on to the pitch at CPD Aberffraw to face Shetland in the Inter Games, which will be held on the Welsh island of Anglesey; it will be the first time that a Saint Helena national team takes part in an international competition.

By then, they will have played two friendly matches, which will be historic in their own right. Monday saw them play their first-ever match abroad when they took on local Anglesey side Holyhead Hotspur's reserve team in a friendly in Bangor. After a competitive first half, which finished scoreless, Rico Benjamin had the honour of scoring the Saints' first goal, and later added a second to give the team a morale-boosting victory to kick off their time in Wales.

The starting line-up was as follows: Keith YON; Julian HENRY; Brandon HARRIS; Ross O'DEAN; Mike WILLIAMS; Jacob DUNCAN; Ryan BENJAMIN; Brett ISAAC; Matthias YOUNG; Rico BENJAMIN (captain); Ronan LEGG

The entire squad got some time on the pitch, and manager Nick Stevens pronounced himself very satisfied with the team's performance, saying that he was "proud of the boys [and the team's] fitness showed through in the end." His opposite



number number, Tom Scott, said that his team, mainly composed of players under 18, were competitive for the first hour, but two fine goals settled matters.

On Wednesday St Helena played their first International game ever and gave Ynys Mon a challenging and competitive match. The game ended in the score Ynys Mon 7 and St Helena 2 with goalscorers for St Helena Ryan Benjamin and Matthias Young.

ST HELENA COMMUNITY COLLEGE TO HOST LEARNING OPPORTUNITIES FAIR

The St Helena Community College (SHCC) will host their first ever Learning Opportunities Fair at the College on Wednesday, 26 June 2019, from 10am to 6pm.

The aim of the fair is to promote training opportunities which are available through the SHCC. The event will provide an opportunity to network and share experiences and will promote the importance of continuous education in developing the Island.

The SHCC will engage the community in a wide range of interactive activities on the day. This will include taster sessions, workshops and discussions. There will be opportunities to meet training providers and/or staff who will be able to advise on viable options to suit individual needs. This can include both part-time and full-time study opportunities, which range from the basics to level 2 and 3 courses, higher level education, apprenticeships and community education.

Assistance will be available for those persons who would like to register for courses.

The SHCC encourages everyone to attend. SHG directorates and private sector organisations are also encouraged to allow staff to drop in throughout the day.

For further information, please contact the Acting Student Services Coordinator, Cherilee Thomas-Johnson on tel: 22607 or email: cherilee.johnson@sainthelena.gov.sh

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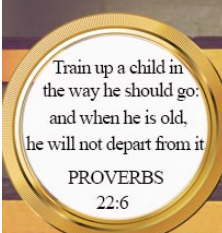
Entertainment at Silver Hill Bar for this Weekend

Friday open from 4.00pm till late mix Tunes by DJ Dan

Saturday open from 5.00pm to till late Mix Tunes by Wayne Boom Bang

Sunday open from 4.00pm to 7.30 Mix Tunes 7.30pm till late disco by Kimmy Boom Bang

FATHER'S DAY CELEBRATION



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Sunday 16 June 2019 @ 11am No. 3 Longwood Enterprise Park
Phone: 62552 or 23249.



FAMILY FUN DAY

SUNDAY, 16 JUNE 2019

SANDY BAY COMMUNITY CENTRE FROM 1.00PM

A fun packed day for all the family including

Bouncy Castle ★ Face Painting ★ Tea & Cakes

Novelty Races ★ Sweet-Nest ★ Raffles

Outside Bar (Weather Permitting) ★ Hot Food on Sale

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Teams of 8 -
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(5-15yrs)

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