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FAREWELL STATEMENT FROM GOVERNOR LISA HONAN

Three years has come round really quickly for me as the Governor of St Helena, Ascension and Tristan da Cunha. A lot has happened in those three years. The ones that first come to my mind are the big changes, such as the air service starting to St Helena and Ascension, the RMS sailing for her last time, managing to get the funding for a fibre optic cable to St Helena, opening the SHG-funded hotel, deciding that St Helena will run its electricity entirely from wind and sun within the next few years, and agreeing a Marine Protected Area for St Helena and Ascension. On Tristan da Cunha a new health facility was also finished.

But there have been changes to the fabric of society which has meant more equality for everyone. Now, throughout the territory, if you want to marry the person you love, you can, no matter what sex you are. On St Helena, if you are a victim of emotional or violent domestic abuse, the law can protect you and there is a refuge where you can be safe. Women have spoken out and harassment is increasingly not tolerated. Juries have convicted. And the poorest in St Helenian society are protected from the impact of the rising prices of the basic necessities of life.

People say nothing changes on St Helena. I say take a look around. People also ask me what I've done for the Island. There's a misconception that the Governor is all powerful. Not so. Apart from a few exceptions, it's your Elected Members who take the decisions. The future of St Helena is in your hands, not mine.

But where I am proud to have made my mark is that I have pursued a theme of 'openness'. I have opened up the workings of government and now a lot more papers are published, meetings are open and views from the public are sought. The reason I've done that is I believe that if government is more open, the public can have more trust in them and they can hold them accountable for their promises. I realise the man or woman on the street doesn't want to wade through loads of paperwork from SHG where proposals are made and decisions taken. But this is where the media could broker the



information much more for you. Going forward, I encourage them to do that.

Continuing the theme of openness, I've opened up Plantation House and made it a House that works for you. It has been used for business, to recognise achievements, as a tourist attraction, as a charity fundraiser, and more recently, as a wedding venue. It is a beautiful asset for the Island and it is yours. I've opened up the Governor's role through my Social Media account dispelling at least one little girl called Erin's belief that I 'sit in the House and count my money all day'. I have tried to be a Governor for the 21st Century. Yes, the first woman Governor for the territory, but someone who also wants to hear from as many St Helenians as possible. I have tried to bring the Governor and the government closer to the people it serves. Whether I've succeeded or not, only history (or John Turner's website) will tell.

What is absolutely certain, I have always had the territory's best interests at heart. In particular, I have believed, and will continue to believe, in St Helena and her future. But St Helena and St Helenians need to also believe in their future. After all, if you don't, nobody will. Good bye and thank you! Governor Lisa Honan 2 May 2019



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INVESTMENT PROGRAMME FOR ST HELENA

St Helena Government (SHG) and the UK Government have agreed a multi-year programme that aims to grow the Island's future economic prosperity and represents an important element of a new partnership between the UK Government and SHG.

Both governments will work together to maximise the impact of this programme. This will include jointly agreeing key on-Island reforms which will promote investment opportunities, build a stronger investment climate and a more resilient infrastructure base whilst preserving and promoting what makes St Helena unique.

The UK Government has clearly signalled its commitment to St Helena by providing up to \pounds 30m to improve the Island's infrastructure over the next six years (2019/20-2024/25), \pounds 15m

of which is committed over the next three years (2019/20-2021/22), and £15m which is indicatively planned for the subsequent three years (2022/23-2024/25) subject to a review to be undertaken at the halfway stage of the implementation, to consider progress and assess value for money.

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Your Opinion Counts

Dear Editor,

Traffic Flow and Congestion -Let's talk! If wonder if our Road Authorities have ever considered reversing the one-way system on Shy Road?

And with some innovating civil engineering thereby ensuring that the vast major of traffic destined for lower down-town Jamestown does not have to travel the whole length of Main-Market Street commencing at China Lane.

From observation few vehicles actually travel up Shy Road thereby established it is currently under-utilized.

This in place, it could be further envisaged that traffic destined for the Hospital – again reversing direction -- would travel behind the Catholic Church and traffic for Ladder Hill would proceed immediately up China Lane to the hill.

These changes could also result in Traffic calming as several more Yield / Give Way intersections would result on either end of China Lane and St John's Road.

Let's talk about it. Father David

Dear Editor,

360th anniversary

The Citizenship Commission's booklet "St Helena – the lost county of England" draws attention to the most important date in the calendar of island history. It was on the 5th May 1659 that John Dutton took possession "with trumpet and drum". of the uninhabited island of St Helena to be a British island and settled it with their own people. It was the English East India Company's first settlement. The booklet tells us that "the building of the fort was commenced immediately and a little town sprang up in Chapel Valley, the settlement was subsequently named Jamestown, after King James II" It was a time of celebration. 5th May this year will be the 360th anniversary of this momentous event, when our ancestors settled an uninhabited island. Will it now also be a time of celebration? Kind regards, Basil George

Dear Editor,

No doubt one of the new infrastructure projects to be funded by the British tax payer will be the new prison at Bottom woods. I wonder if they will be quite so happy if they knew it will be built in a protected Wirebird area on an island that is on the UK Tentative List of potential World Heritage Sites for its rare endemic species.

Because St Helena is a well organised place, a world standard Environment Impact Assessment (EIA) is required by law before any such planning permission can be granted. One was submitted to planning back in February and the planning authority passed it last month. It will now go to Exco for final approval.

There were no public comments registered about the EIA even though the detail had been open to scrutiny for four weeks. The reason is that the planning office did not advertise it as being an EIA. It was advertised as a normal planning application. In fact the law makes it clear that an EIA should be specifically advertised. It was not.

One of the purposes of an EIA is to enable open and transparent verification of an independent and rigorous analysis of the site and its surroundings including distant views. It should also show why that site has been selected above other options. For this is it should also explain why the fifty prison cells is ten times the rate per population than in Britain that itself has the highest level in Europe.

The EIA itself was not signed making it impossible to verify. The mystery was clarified at the planning meeting, when it was revealed it had been written by the Chief Environmental Officer. Earlier in the year the planning authority had agreed they could not entertain any EIA written by the Chief Environmental Officer. The reason is that by law the Chief Planning Officer has to obtain a statement of its quality from the Chief Environmental Officer. This clearly demonstrates a conflict of interest. Nevertheless all planning authority members were happy to approve it.

I do hope that Exco will ensure the safeguards enshrined in law are adhered to and the EIA is put out to public review before the application proceeds further. Andy Pearce

Dear Editor.

Some comments I would personally like to make.

This island cannot live on handouts for eternity - which it appears to want to do.

It's time for the politicians to seriously consider helping the island become more self sufficient.

There are so many things that could be done and have/are being suggested however, they don't want to entertain these ideas due to a fear of change or lack of understanding.

For example, why spend millions on a solar farm where the supplier gains income, when alternatively, solar panels, inverters and batteries could put on houses for free. The surplus power could be returned to the grid allowing households to be self sufficient (no bills!).

We need politicians to open their eyes to the massive potential the financial services industry could offer the island. The potential underwater fibre optic cable would greatly assist this and create a much more efficient and cheaper Internet for all. It is my opinion that this should be managed by SHG and not an independent company that will monopolise the service industry....and make a huge profit.

As for farming, how is it possible that the island is running out of fresh produce when we have so much arable land to produce potatoes etc. The truth is, the younger generation are not prepared to work the land for a living any more so the trade is dying. Let's encourage the youth to work hard instead of spending hours in front of screens, wiling away the time with loud music and driving noisy cars.

I am absolutely astounded that it costs £7.264 to send a reefer to the island. If I was in Europe. I could send this container around the world four times for this money..... What a rip off!!!! Regards, ΤV



This week has had a wider range of activity and new developments than a few of the weeks before. Tasers, a departing governor, a musical event with a difference at the cathedral, invasions by alien forms of plants and animals, Francis Plain looking like a good place to be tomorrow, St Helena looking good in the statistics and another game of musical chairs being played by UK Government Ministers. All this helps to keep my fingers tapping away on the keyboard.

The ministerial game of musical chairs brings into focus Rory Stewart, a man few who live on this part of the globe will have heard of. Now he is head of DFID we all will hear much more of him. The Daily Express newspaper has a headline today "Rory Stewart defends UK's £14.5 BILLION foreign aid target after taking on new role". Like the Daily Mail, the Express is continually campaigning for UK Aid to be reduced.

Below today's headline the Express report quotes the new DFID Secretary of State. "When asked about whether the foreign aid budget should be cut, Mr Stewart said: "It's hugely important, also after Brexit. We have to come out of Brexit, proud global Britain. Obviously, we are going through a difficult stage, our relationship with Europe is difficult, we're going to have to make a new relationship with the world, and having some money to do it, some resources to do it – to put Britain on the world stage again – is hugely important."

The Sun newspaper took a different approach; they were more, well, sunny. "Promoted minister Rory Stewart's life has been so action-packed — Brad Pitt's bought the film rights". Below the headline Sun readers were told, "From tutoring Harry and Wills to a 6,000-mile trek, Rory is a man to watch". Other reports in the UK media cover Rory Stewart's defence of Theresa May's handling of Brexit, his view that more politicians need to occupy the Middle Ground instead of separating ever further to the Left and Right and he makes no secret of the fact that one day he would like to be prime minister.

Sure Telecom got themselves into hot water with the Advertising Standards Authority (ASA) who said Sure made a claim which is "likely to mislead" in a promotion where they stated they had the fastest mobile network – on the Channel Islands. A rival telecom company complained to the ASA about the claim made by Sure. In a tit-for-tat battle it was Sure who complained to the ASA in 2017 about a similar claim made by the same rival telecom company who recently complained about them.

While we queue at the Bank of St Helena to get cash and pay the bills yet another report is published in the UK about a cashless society fast becoming a reality. The report says the changes are happening too fast and a large minority of people who cannot survive without cash are being left behind. As ATMs are being withdrawn from service in the UK we in St Helena would be so pleased to see our first one installed. I think the main reason for not having an ATM here is because it will need a specialist engineer to maintain it. If these specialist engineers are becoming less sought after in the UK it might be more viable to get one here; but it's not encouraging to think that as other countries start turning away from cash machines we in St Helena might get our first chance have one. It's chasing the game again instead of running with it. There is a short piece in today's edition about a House of Commons Committee Inquiry into invasive species. The same committee has another Inquiry into Toxic Chemicals in Everyday Life. One witness told the committee;- "There is a huge number of chemicals in use. Most of them are in the environment and many of them are in you and me, to start there. As far as which chemicals should we be most concerned about, the simple answer is we don't really know. To give you a very simple example, you may know that a pharmaceutical used in veterinary practice pretty much wiped out three species of vulture, killed about 40 million vultures in Asia just a few years ago. It is a human pharmaceutical. Nobody predicted it, nobody thought that vultures would even get exposed to it, and we still don't understand why they were very sensitive to it and you and I are not. It was diclofenac. We should always keep in mind that there is a lot that we don't know." Frightening isn't it. You can buy diclofenac under the trade name Voltaren to ease pains and inflammatorv swelling.

I will finish on that disconcerting note, have a good weekend *Vince*



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Taser Carrying Police in St Helena

Last Friday an SHG press release announced all fully trained police will carry Tasers. This new development came into force on Monday of this week. Since 2016 the police have had Tasers but they have been held at the police station. David Lynch, Chief of Police, said, "There have been serious incidents where weapons have been carried or used. These weapons have included machetes, a CED, and an iron bar. If Officers had been carrying CEDs at the time of these incidents, they could have been used to deal with the offender, and reduce the risk to all involved." It is now considered to be unrealistic for police to attend emergencies and not being fully aware of the details of the incident open to the risk of being unprepared for a violent situation. David Lynch explained, "Having the device at the Police Station when you are trying to arrest an individual who is/has been extremely violent is no longer efficient."

This announcement was followed up with another on Tuesday saying the police have organised 'road shows', the purpose is to, "raise awareness and educate the public on the carrying and use of CEDs". For complete clarity it is clear the words "by the police" should have been added at the end that statement. CED is an acronym for Conducted Energy Device (otherwise known as Taser). The first road show will be at Half Tree Hollow Community Centre on Monday next week followed by another at Guinea Grass Community Centre on Wednesday. All road shows start at 6pm. There will be more road shows the following week.



Taser toter

The decision for police to carry Tasers is likely to prove controversial with some people. The regulations covering the carrying and use of Tasers will very likely follow procedure established in the UK. The St Helena Police Directorate Code of Ethics, published in 2014, is clearly based on the UK Code. In the UK the use of Tasers by the police is often in the news. There have been reports of deaths resulting from the electric shock given off by a Taser; usually the death involved a person with an existing medical condition such as a weak heart. Other reports claim a disproportionate number of incidents involving the police using Tasers are against BAME people (Black, Asian, Minority Ethnic) and some reports point out the increasing number of times Tasers are used on children (under-18s).

However, a quick review of this week's UK news reports where the police and Tasers are mentioned shows nearly all reports concerned criminals or 'unwitting' people buying, attempting to buy, in possession of or using a Taser.

Researchers identify the 'weapons effect'

Police and Tasers are also the subject of some academic research from time to time. One such paper published in December last year describes research undertaken by the City of London Police and Cambridge University criminologists. One conclusion of the research was London police officers visibly armed with electroshock 'Taser' weapons used force 48% more often, and were more likely to be assaulted, than those on unarmed shifts. However, while use of force can include everything from restraint and handcuffing to CS spray, the Tasers themselves were only fired twice during the year-long study period. The leader of the research team said, "The City of London police rarely discharged Tasers during the study. Yet the very presence of the weapon led to increased hostility between the police and public". It is concluded that Tasers can trigger the 'weapons effect': a psychological phenomenon in which sight of a weapon increases aggressive behaviour. Study co-author Chief Superintendent David Lawes, from the City of London Police, said: "Following the findings of the study, we are exploring whether a simple holster change or weapon position move will nullify the weapons effect issue shown in the experiment. We have also updated our training package for officers carrying Tasers to make them aware of the findings."

David Lynch has been St Helena's Chief of Police since July 2017. Before taking up his current post he was with the Lincolnshire Police for 30 years as a Superintendent. He has received two Chief Constable Commendations for exceptional work and strong leadership.



Lincoln police with automatic weapons

Following a terrorist attack on a German Christmas market in 2017 security was ramped up at the very popular Lincoln Christmas Market in the shadow of Lincoln cathedral. Many UK Christmas gatherings had increased security that year but Lincoln was the only one to include drones in their security operation.

St Helena moves up the global rankings

On Thursday the government statistics office published data indicating St Helena had climbed ten places in the Human Development Index published by the United Nations. Human Development is a measure of how well, or not, people living in the 190 member states of the United Nations are enjoying life in terms of health, wealth and education. St Helena came in at 93rd place in 2009 and advanced to 83rd in 2017; the year the latest figures are available.

Health is defined by life expectancy, wealth is Gross National Income per head of population and education is based the average number of years spent in education and a similar calculation for the maximum number of years it is possible for an individual to spend in education.

The official United Nations Human Development Index (HDI) does not include St Helena or any other British Overseas Territory. St Helena is not a member of the UN and is not included in the published data. The government statistics office used the data they have on St Helena and made calculations in the same way the UN does for its HDI and then slotted St Helena into position when the final number had been processed from their own figures.

	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017
Human Development Index									
St Helena	0.714	0.724	0.733	0.736	0.741	0.748	0.752	0.754	0.756
United Kingdom	0.899	0.905	0.899	0.898	0.915	0.919	0.918	0.920	0.922
South Africa	0.642	0.649	0.657	0.664	0.675	0.685	0.692	0.696	0.699
Global rankings									
St Helena	93	88	84	86	86	83	82	82	83
United Kingdom	9	10	17	19	10	12	14	14	14
South Africa	121	119	119	119	117	114	114	112	114

The tables published by the statistics off compare St Helena with the UK and South Africa. The UK is in 14^{th} place in the global rankings according to the latest figures; having slipped from 9^{th} place in 2009. South Africa are way down, occupy-

ing the 114th spot but have improved their position consistently since being 121st in 2009. St Helena peaked during the airport construction period, taking 82nd place in both 2015 and 2016.

Global rankings									
Health component	46	47	47	47	48	48	49	51	50
Education component	63	61	62	70	73	76	78	83	84
Income component	127	123	120	113	110	106	104	103	104

Both the health and education calculations which contribute to the overall Human Development Index show St Helena losing round since 2009. In health this Island has dropped four places and in education the drop has been by a more significant 21 places. It is only the 3rd part of the HDI calculation that has shown significant improvement. Income rose 23 places between 2009 and 2017; most of the improvement was made when the airport was being built; work was easily come by and wages rose faster than usual.

The airport is of course now completed and no longer a source of employment. The Income part of the calculation is showing the first signs of losing some of the recently gained ground and the overall HDI calculation which decides the global ranking is also looking as if it might be running out of steam.

The gains made during the airport construction phase can be considered to be temporary as well as artificial. The money to finance the airport came from the UK, not from home grown wealth generation and taxes. It can therefore be reasonably expected that when the airport is built and the money from the UK is spent 'normal service will be resumed' and a drift down the rankings by ten places can be expected.

The planned way to avoid the drift down the rankings is for Economic Development to become stronger and replace the beneficial effect airport construction had on the income calculation. So far, Economic Development has not played its part in Human Development.



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Station Manager/Director

Invasive Awareness Week

The April meeting report for the Environment and Natural Resources Committee included a mention of Invasive Awareness Week scheduled to start on Monday 13th May. The UK will be having a similar awareness campaign in the same week except in the UK they call it Invasive Species Week. If you want to know more about the UK events you are asked to go to a website called Non-Native Species. In the United States they call their awareness campaign National Invasive Species Awareness Week and organise the event in July; so much for co-ordinated, effective branding.

Shambolic Inquiry into Invasive Species in the Overseas Territories

At the same time, Tuesday of this week was the deadline for submitting written evidence to the Invasive Species Inquiry held by the House of Commons Environmental Audit Committee (EAC). When inviting written evidence the EAC asks, "How well is the UK and its overseas territories managing the impact of invasive species and controlling the risks of further invasion?" In another section it is mentioned the Inquiry "will also consider the threat of invasive species to the UK's overseas territories". Apart from that everything in the explanations and descriptions, Scope of the Inquiry, Terms of Reference and questions for written answers is about the UK.

In an attempt to persuade all authors of written evidence to follow a consistent line in their submissions the first question which gives a passing mention to the Overseas Territories is followed by nine more which are completely irrelevant to the Overseas Territories. Anyone wishing to submit written evidence relevant to the Overseas Territories would need to rephrase the questions to make them relevant.

It is early days but two written evidence submissions have so

A change in DFID leadership – again

Penny Mordaunt, is now the former Secretary of State for International Development; she held the post for 18 months and was the third Secretary of State for International Development over the last three years. As a result of Gavin Williamson being sacked as Defence Secretary after being accused as the person responsible for leaking information from a UK National Security Council meeting, Mordaunt becomes the first ever female Secretary of State for Defence. Some consider Mordaunt to be better suited to her new role; she comes from a naval family and is herself in the Royal Navy Reserve.

Taking over from Mordaunt at DFID is Rory Stewart; he held junior ministerial posts at DFID before being transferred to the Ministry of Justice a year ago. Stewart is ex-army and a former diplomat. He is respected for his expertise in foreign policy. The new DFID Secretary of State is accomplished in a variety of interests and pursuits outside politics and was once described by the New York Times as, "living one of the most remarkable lives on record"

Sackings and resignations within the UK Government are becoming almost as frequent as Trump's comings and goings. Lord Michael Bates, until recently a junior minister at DFID resigned with no reason publicly given for doing so.



far been published; one of them from the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB). The RSPB is a well known and greatly valued ally, sponsor and defender of a wide range of environmental interests in the Overseas Territories but the RSPB written evidence to the Invasive Species Inquiry is preoccupied with raccoons, raccoon dogs and coati. All of which appear to be anticipated threats the UK's environmental equilibrium. There is not one word in the RSPB's written evidence referring to just one invasive species in any of the Overseas Territories.

This is both amazing and alarming because the RSPB specifically addresses the question, "How well is the UK and its overseas territories managing the impact of invasive species and controlling the risks of further invasion?" but once more the RSPB makes futher reference to raccoons and coati. The other piece of written evidence so far published is from the Turks and Caicos Reef Fund. They defend their corner but none of it has any relevance to St Helena and specific problems encountered here.

The management of the Invasive Species Inquiry has been shambolic, to say the least. Hopes for a useful report from the EAC which could provide some valuable information for the Overseas Territories who are struggling far more than the UK with the problem of invasive species have virtually vanished before the Inquiry gets properly underway.



Rory Stewart MP – the fourth DFID Secretary of State in three years

Some reports say Lord Bates found the Brexit atmosphere among government political leaders to be "toxic". Another DFID casualty is Alistair Burt who resigned over one of the many Brexit disagreements. Burt shared his time between DFID and the Foreign and Commonwealth Office. His knowledge and expertise on the long-running problems in Syria were valued by many and his going was seen as a sad loss. From St Helena's point of view, as the UK Government navigates the ship of state through uncharted and turbulent waters, it's all eyes on Rory Stewart.



WATER RESOURCES UPDATE

Over the past few weeks consumers Island wide have been asked to reduce their water consumption to essential needs only.

Although there has been some rainfall over the last few weeks, it is only sufficient to maintain the already low levels of stored water.

Over the last weekend, the island's consumption rate was massively high and combined with the hot, sunny days, we all need to be increasingly mindful about our water usage.

We need sustained <u>heavy rain</u> and <u>reduced consumption</u> now to ensure that our water storage levels can replenish.

Connect Saint Helena Ltd asks for your continued co-operation in reducing your water consumption.

30 April 2019





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For further information please contact the Acting Student Services Co-ordinator, Cherilee Thomas-Johnson on telephone 22607 or via email: <u>cherilee.johnson@sainthelena.gov.sh</u>

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ST HELENA POLICE ROADSHOW ON CONDUCTED ENERGY DEVICES

The following is a public announcement from the Police Directorate:

All trained and accredited St Helena Police Officers are now carrying a Conducted Energy Device (CED) commonly known as a Taser.

To raise awareness and educate the public on the carrying and use of CEDs, St Helena Police will be carrying out a Roadshow in May and June to provide further information. Members of the public are encouraged to attend the presentation in their district for which dates and times are as follows:

Venue Half Tree Hollow Community Centre Guinea Grass Community Centre Sandy Bay Community Centre Blue Hill Community Centre Kingshurst Community Centre Harford Community Centre Levelwood Community Centre	Date Monday, 6 May Weds, 8 May Weds, 15 May Mon, 27 May Tues, 28 May Weds, 29 May Thurs, 30 May	Time 6pm 6pm 6pm 5pm 6pm 6pm	St Helena Government
Jamestown Community Centre	Fri, 7 June	6pm	

SAFEGUARDING DIRECTORATE IS SEEKING EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST FOR SUPPORT WORKERS

The Safeguarding Directorate invites expressions of interest from members of the public who would like to become a support worker for a young person with disabilities.

Working in a small and dedicated team, the support workers will provide respite sessions and activities for the young person who has additional needs including some challenging behaviours. You will aim to improve the young person's access to community services and activities and support opportunities for new experiences. You will receive advice and support from qualified experts in various roles including speech and language therapists, behaviour specialists and social workers.

You will preferably have experience in working with people diagnosed with various disabilities. You will also have a strong ability to empathise, engage with and form a professional and therapeutic relationship with the client, the circumstances and family background. The role will include travel to various locations on the island. You will need to have a driving license and be able to transport a young person in a SHG vehicle.

This post will be flexible and consideration will be given to either part time or full time contracts depending on availability of applicants. The length of the contract will be reviewed on an ongoing basis.

A competitive rate of pay of up to £5.00 per hour is being offered which will reflect the level of skill and responsibility required.

For further details about the post please contact Rosalie Brown, Acting Team Manager for Adult Support Services, on 23172. For a copy of the job profile and application forms please contact Sherrilee Phillips on 22713 or email sherrilee.phillips@sainthelena.gov.sh. Application forms should be completed and submitted through Directors where applicable, to Sherrilee Phillips, HR and Administration Officer at Brick House in Jamestown by Friday, 10th May 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.

Tracy Poole-Nandy (Mrs), Director Safeguarding Directorate 25th April 2019



Completion of Civil Works - Independent Review

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Completion of Civils Work

Friday, 31 May 2019, will mark the end of an era for the Civils Team under the St Helena Airport Project (SHAP). Works began in 2012 to support the Contractor's mobilisation to the Island and to construct the temporary Jetty and other temporary works in Rupert's. As the project grew and works progressed, so to did the team in order to complete the construction of Bradleys Camp, the Haul Road, Dry Gut Fill, the construction of the Airport buildings and the runway, and Rupert's Wharf.



Over the years there have been many challenges and many achievements, highlighting the resourcefulness and the talent within the team. We look back at the work that ultimately led to flights to St Helena.



In recent months, the current Civils Team has been busy with snagging and small construction jobs within the fuel facilities. These works are programmed to be completed by 31 May 2019 and the team will have completed their contract with the Airport Project. This is a major milestone for SHAP and we would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone involved with the project for their dedication and contribution to making the Airport Project a success.



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Independent Review



The main work remaining on the St Helena Airport Project (SHAP) is the completion of the fuel systems. A full technical assessment on the construction to date is being undertaken by the SmartJet Engineering team, the contractor leading on the Fuels Programme, prior to testing and commissioning of the fuel systems.

Whilst this process is ongoing, St Helena Government has called for an Independent Review. This review seeks external technical expertise to guide next steps on design and construction under SHAP in order to ensure that the remainder of the project can be delivered as effectively as possible. In light of this, a site shutdown is planned on SHAP to take effect from 31 May 2019 for the duration of the Independent Review.

During the site shutdown, only essential works (basic maintenance, managing stores, and keeping the site safe and secure) will take place onsite. As such, the other international sub-contractors onsite are being stood down and staff are being repatriated. There is also a small number of staff members who will not be required during the site shutdown period (their roles are directly linked to the work undertaken by the international sub-contractors) who will have received termination notices.

Instead of physical construction work onsite, SHAP will focus on maintenance design and planning during this period. The site shutdown allows us to take stock and to evaluate design proposals before we proceed with further construction works. This is critical if we are to ensure that the fuel systems are delivered cost effectively whilst still meeting the needs of the Island.



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2018/19 AGRICULTURE PROGRAMME



When: 4 May 2019 Time: 11.00am—3.30pm Where: Francis Plain

The Country Fair is the grand finale of the Agriculture Programme which was a programme of agriculture industry engagement sessions held during 2018 and 2019.

Come and join the celebrations as the winners of the different categories are announced!

Music, bar facility, hot food, tea and cake will be available.

If you still would like to book a stall please do not hesitate to contact Delia Du Preez.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Programme:

11.15am Welcome Speech
 11.30am Girl Guides Sponsored Walk
 1.00pm Presentation of prizes
 3.15pm Closing Speech

Stalls/Displays from:

Agriculture and Natural Resources Division (ANRD)

Enterprise St Helena

Amphibians

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Enterprise St Helena (ESH)

Helen Joshua

Joan Peters

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For more information please contact Delia Du Preez, Business Development Co-ordinator on telephone 22920 or email delia.dupreez@esh.co.sh



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VACANCY FOR MANAGER OF GOVERNOR'S OFFICE

Are you interested in international relations, or the inner workings of government? Would you enjoy a busy, varied job that supports the Governor to perform her/his role? If so, the Governor's Office has a vacancy for the post of Manager of Governor's Office which might suit you.

The Manager of the Governor's Office (MOGO) is a key part of the small team working in the Governor's Office. The MOGO plays a crucial role in supporting the Head of Governor's Office with the management of the office. You will be expected to work closely with Foreign and Commonwealth Office personnel in London and overseas; SHG officials; and a wide range of persons across the island.

Roles and responsibilities include:

- Finance and budgeting Administration of the local budget and finances including drafting of the budget; processing payments; and compiling our FCO St Helena monthly accounts;
- Political and Consular Support with official functions hosted by the Governor; act as Liaison Officer for visits from British or foreign civilian and naval vessels; act as liaison officer for FCO Administrators on Ascension and Tristan da Cunha; manage and maintain programmes for visiting FCO and other FCO sponsored personnel;
- General administration Examples include managing leave and travel claims for FCO personnel; making travel arrangements for FCO staff; managing FCO shared area;
- Operational Manage all estates occupied by FCO; handle diplomatic mail; manage biometric applications;
- · Oversee all Honours submissions;
- Programme Manager for the Chevening Scholarship Programme. For further details about the post, including essential and desirable qualifications, salary, and required competencies, and to apply, please visit:

https://fco.tal.net/vx/appcentre-ext/brand-2/candidate/so/pm/4/pl/1/opp/8977-Manager-of-Governor-s-Office/en-GB

For more information, please contact Head of Governor's Office, Louise MacMorran, on tel: (290) 22869 or email: Louise.Macmorran@fco.gov.uk.

Applications close on 7 May 2019

Governor's Office 17 April 2019



Enterprise St Helena is seeking to employ a suitably qualified and experienced individual to be responsible to the Director of Enterprise for the operational management of the local Private Sector Development function, including the provision of a high standard of information, advisory and client support services to current and potential businesses within the island.

Suitable candidates should have the following qualifications, skills and experience:

- Must have a relevant Business and/ or Development qualification
- Strong leadership, motivational and communication skills and experience
- Must have at least 3 years experience at management level

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 Assistant, Enterprise St Helena,

Ladder Hill Business Park by no later than noon on Wednesday 15th May 2019.



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

number 22920 or email Robert.midwinter@esh.co.sh

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Bertrand's Cottage Limited is seeking to employ a suitably qualified and

experienced individual to fill the role of Operations Assistant.

The successful person will be responsible for supporting the Operations Supervisor in the day-to-day operations.

A copy of the Terms of Reference and an application form can be collected from Enterprise St Helena reception and formal applications should be submitted to the Human Resources and Administration Assistant at Enterprise St Helena, Ladder Hill by no later than Wednesday 15th May 2019.



For further information please contact Elvis Hercules telephone 25200 or via email bertrandscottage@helanta.co.sh



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HEALTH DIRECTORATE VACANCY – QUALITY MANAGER, FOOD & WATER LABORATORY

The Health Directorate has a vacancy for a Quality Manager. The successful candidate will be expected to manage the ISO/IEC 17025 Quality System for the Food and Water Laboratory ensuring standards are met to maintain the Laboratory's accreditation status with the United Kingdom Accreditation Service (UKAS).

Some of the key tasks include:

1. Implementation, maintenance and improvement of Quality System.

2. In accordance with the BS EN ISO Standards undertake monthly internal audit checks for approval by UKAS. Monitoring of all corrective and preventive actions to ensure they are effective and compliant with ISO standards.

3. Plan and chair monthly Review Meetings and Annual Management Review Meetings to provide feedback on quality issues and updates on activities undertaken during the month/year

4. Review of routine test results and external quality assurance results to ensure they are within the designated limits

5. Training of internal auditors and staff on aspects of the Quality Management System

6. Liaise with Technical Officers of the accrediting body (UKAS) regarding assessment visits and issues relating to the laboratory's ISO/IEC 17025 accreditation status.

Essential qualifications for this post are:

- A Level at Grade C or above in English Language, Mathematics and a Science based subject.
- Diploma (or equivalent) in Quality Management in Food Microbiology

• Computer Literate with specific Software/Programme knowledge and experience in Microsoft Office Experience of working in a Public Health Laboratory or similar (at least 2 years) and experience of working in an environment which exercises Quality Assurance Management is also essential.

Salary is at Grade D, commencing at £11,034 per annum.

All appointees 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.

For further information please contact Mr Geoffrey Benjamin, Laboratory Manager on telephone no. 22500 or email: Geoffrey.Benjamin@sainthelena.gov.sh

Application forms and a Job Profile which are available from the Health Directorate should be completed and submitted through Directors where applicable to Miss Madonna Henry, Human Resources Officer, on telephone no. 22500 email: madonna.henry@sainthelena.gov.sh Health Directorate by Monday, 06 May 2019.

Helen Lawrence (Mrs) Acting Director Health Directorate 18 April 2019



Vacancy for LEMP Conservation Worker

The St Helena National Trust is seeking to recruit a part-time Conservation Worker to provide field support for the Landscape & Ecology Mitigation Programme (LEMP). If you are interested in the conservation of St Helena's unique habitats and want to contribute to a large scale conservation project on the Island, this role might just be for you.

Term:To March 2020 (10 month contract)Hours of work:A minimum of 21 hours per weekSalary:£7,058 per annum (pro rata)Holiday entitlement:25 working days per annum (pro rata)

This position will require you to have good practical field skills, work well as part of a team, and enjoy working in an outdoor environment.

For further information please contact Shayla Ellick on 22307 or email shayla.ellick@trust.org.sh

A full job description can be obtained from Amanda Constantine at the St Helena National Trust office at Broadway House, Jamestown or alternatively email <u>amanda.constantine@trust.org.sh</u> or call 22190. Applications should be in the form of a CV and Cover letter.

CLOSING DATE FOR APPLICATIONS: Monday 13th May @ 12.30pm.



St Helena Island Tourism is seeking expressions of interest from the Private Sector to provide a footpath clearance service for 8 of the islands footpaths.

These paths include; Mackintosh to Spring Gut; Hardings to Casons; Maskelyne's Observatory; Brown's Hill to Prince Andrew School, Casons Gate to Rosemary Plain, Peak Hill road to Francis Plain, Longwood Boundary and Butchers Grave.

Expressions of interest should be submitted by no later than 24 May 2019.

Our footpaths contribute to the overall tourism product and provide opportunities for visitors and residents to explore our picturesque landscapes as well as promote a healthy lifestyle. It is also important that individuals or businesses who are interested in carrying out this work understand the need to preserve the environment whilst providing a safe passage for walkers with different levels of mobility. As part of Enterprise St Helena's procurement procedures, interested persons are required to produce a copy of their Public liability Insurance.



For further information, please contact Melissa Fowler, Tourism Manager on 64164 or alternatively email melissa.fowler@tourism.co.sh





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JOB VACANCIES

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Jamestown or alternatively an

electronic copy can be requested

via e-mail address:

hradmin@solomons.co.sh and should be completed and returned

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By 13 May 2019



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Email: Gina.Henry@sainthelena.gov.sh or contact via telephone 22270

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APPLICATIONS FOR DEVELOPMENT PERMISSION

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

- Application 2019/40: FULL Planning Application for Construction of a 2 Bedroom Dwelling and Double Garage, Bellstone, Levelwood on Parcel 0216 Silver Hill, adjacent to Virginia Henry. Applicant: Jeromy John Henry
- Application 2019/41: FULL Planning Application for Change of Window Design, ESH Business Park, Ladder Hill on Parcel 1053 Half Tree Hollow, adjacent to Printech St Helena Ltd. Applicant: Enterprise St Helena
- Application 2019/42: FULL Planning Application for Installation of Windows & Door on the Existing House, Nr the Guns, Ladder Hill on Parcel 0002 Half Tree Hollow, adjacent to Mr Paul Augustus. Applicant: Gilbert Yon

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 <u>Karen-Isaac@enrd.gov.sh</u> stating the Application Reference Number they wish to inspect.

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

Public Review Commencement Date Public Review Closing Date : 3 May 2019 : 17 May 2019



Shane Williams Planning Officer



VACANCY Independent Member of the Audit & Risk Management Committee

Bank of St Helena is a looking for a suitably qualified and experienced person to sit as an Independent Member on their Audit & Risk Management Committee.

The independent member will be a full member of the Committee and will work with the Committee, to provide clear direction and challenge to steer the organisation and continue to operate to the highest standards of probity, integrity and scrutiny.

The Bank anticipates a time commitment of 12 days per year, including attendance at Audit & Risk Management Committee meetings and other bank events. In addition, you will be expected to devote appropriate preparation time ahead of each meeting and be available to deal with matters relating to the Audit & Risk Management Committee, and at other Bank events, if needed.

For further information about the role and its responsibilities and remuneration please contact Josephine George, Managing Director at Bank of St Helena either in person or on telephone 22390 or on email managingdirector@sainthelenabank.com

Written expressions of interest along with an up to date CV should be sent to Leeanne Henry, Assistant Managing Director by 13 May 2019

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Armchair Supporters View by Nick Stevens

This week I will start with the Champions League Semi-Finals. I have to feel a bit sorry for both English teams. I think that Spurs are unlucky in terms of injuries and this certainly showed in their game against Ajax. Ajax took a 1-0 nil aggregate lead into next week's home leg and deservedly so. Spurs however are still in this tie. The returning Son Heung-Min should make a huge difference next Wednesday second leg.

Liverpool on the other hand faces an uphill battle to overturn a 3-0 aggregate lead when they face Barcelona at home next Tuesday. 3-0 didn't tell the full story as for huge parts of the match Liverpool more than match Barcelona. They had numerous chances to score but had no luck in front of the goal. The deciding factor was of course the magician Messi. For large spells in the game he was non-existence then in a flash he had scored two goals and has now establish his side as favourites to progress into the Final. The final will be played in Madrid on the 1st June.



Lionel Messi

Leo Messi's footballing career started in 1995 at Newell's Old Boys, where he played until the year 2000. At the age of 13, Lionel Messi crossed the Atlantic to try his luck in Barcelona, and joined the Under 14s. Messi made spectacular progress at each of the different age levels, climbing through the ranks to Barça C, followed by Barça B and the first team in record time.

In the 2003-2004 season, when he was still only 16, Messi made his first team debut in a friendly with Porto that marked the opening of the new Do Dragao stadium.

The following championship-winning season, Messi made his first appearance in an official match on October 16, 2004, in Barcelona's derby win against Espanyol at the Olympic Stadium (0-1). With several first team players seriously injured, the services of several reserve team players were called upon, and Messi became a regular feature of Barça squads.

On May 1, 2005, Messi became the youngest player ever to score a league goal for FC Barcelona - against Albacete when he was only 17 years, 10 months and 7 days old. That record would eventually be beaten by Bojan Krkic.

At the Under 20 World Cup in Holland, Messi not only won the title with Argentina, but was also the leading goalscorer and was voted best player in the tournament. Aged 18 years, he had become one of the hottest properties in the world game. Shortly after, he made his first full international appearance in a friendly against Hungary.

His breakthrough came in the 2005-06 season, starting with an amazing performance in the Joan Gamper Trophy match against Juventus. He was also outstanding at the Santiago Bernabéu, in Barcelona's unforgettable 3-0 win, and also at Stamford Bridge, in the Champions League match against Chelsea. Injury kept him sidelined for much of the latter stage of the season, but Messi still played a total of 17 league games, 6 in the Champions League and 2 in the Copa del Rey, and scored eight goals.

The following season Messi moved up a gear and astounded the world with goals such as the one he scored against Getafe in the Copa del Rey. In the 2006/07 season, and even though the team didn't win any titles, the Argentine was second in the FIFA World Player awards and third in the Ballon d'Or. He continued to develop in the 2007/08 campaign, when he scored 16 goals and gave 10 assists in the 40 games he played in. In 2008, Leo Messi was runner up in the FIFA World Player awards for the second season in a row.

In the 2008/09 season, and now without Ronaldinho alongside him, Messi became the main star of the Barça show. He managed to stay injury free all season, and played 51 games, scoring 38 goals. The Argentinian was also fundamental in the Copa del Rey and Champions League finals, scoring Barça's second goals in both. In 2009, he finally won both the FIFA World Player and Ballon d'Or.

How far can Leo Messi go? He was the league's top scorer in the 2009-10 season and equalled Ronaldo's historic total of 34 goals (96-97). He scored the goal against Estudiantes that won Barça their first Club World Cup.

Still hungry for success, the Argentinian went even further in the 2010/11 season, scoring no fewer than 53 official goals, a Spanish record only matched by Cristiano Ronaldo (that very same season). Messi, as in Rome, played a vital role in the Champions League final at Wembley were scored a scorcher from outside the area to put his team ahead. In 2011, he also won the Ballon d'Or for the third time, a feat only previously achieved by Cruyff, Platini and Van Basten and a year later became the first player ever to win it four times.

The season 2011/12 is when Messi moved past César Rodríguez's record of 232 official goals to become the Club's all time top goalscorer. He achieved this on the 20 March 2012 in a 5-3 victory over Granada in which he scored a brilliant hat-trick.

Two weeks earlier, on March 7, 2012, the football world watched in awe as he scored five goals in a single game against Bayer 04 Leverkusen.

On May 5, 2012, the Leo Messi legend was extended in the derby against Espanyol, when he made it to an unprecedented 50 goals in a league season, scoring four goals in a game for the third time in his career. A remarkable season ended with one of the finest goals of his career in the Copa del Rey final against Athletic Club Bilbao. In the 2011/12 season he has scored in every competition he played in, totally an astonishing 73 as Barça conquered the Spanish Super Cup, European Super Cup, Club World Cup and the Copa del Rey. He ended 2012 with the record number of goals in a calendar year (91), thus beating the historic tally established by Gerd Müller (85 for Bayern Munich and Germany in 1972).

Armchair Supporters View by Nick Stevens

That was not the only outstanding achievement by Messi in the 2012/13 season, another for the record books. The Argentine scored in 19 consecutive league matches - half a season - until an injury at away at PSG meant he was not at his best in the decisive phase of that campaign's Champions League. On the domestic front, Messi was also key in Barça claiming the league title with 100 points. He was top scorer with 46 goals in the league, ending with 60 in 50 games in all competitions.

The following year, 2013/14, was difficult one for the Barça number 10, due to injuries more than anything else. Messi picked up a hamstring injury in November that forced him to miss more than a month of the campaign. Nevertheless, he still scored 41 goals in 46 matches that year, 28 in the league, 5 in the Copa del Rey and 8 in the Champions League.

Messi made his 250th league appearance in that season and in a game in the Copa del Rey against Levante, he played in his 400th match in a Barça shirt, having recorded a staggering 331 goals at that point in his career for the blaugranes.

In the same season Messi reached yet another landmark, overtaking Paulino Alcántara's total of 369 goals to become the leading goalscorer of all time at the Club

The 2014/2015 season was one of the Argentine star's most brilliant. Messi was one of the great architects of the second Treble in club history, six years after winning the League, the Spanish Cup, and the UEFA Champions League in the same season. Thanks to his 56 goals in all three competitions, Messi established two almost unattainable records. First, in a game against Sevilla at Camp Nou Messi surpassed Telmo Zarra's 251 career goals to become the all-time leading scorer in league history. Second, with a hat-trick at APOEL Nicosia, Messi passed Raúl's 71 career goals to become the all-time leading scorer in Champions League history. Messi closed the season with 77 goals in 99 career Champions League games. The Argentine's amazing form had its reward on a personal level when in January 2016 he claimed the Ballon d'Or award for an unprecedented fifth time in his career.

Messi also led the tournament in scoring for the fifth time tied with Neymar and Cristiano Ronaldo at 10 each. The Argentinian also surpassed Luis Figo's all-time La Liga assist record (105).

On 23 April, on Saint Jordi's day, Leo Messi reached 500 goals with the first team thanks to his winner in the final minute of the Clásico in the league at the Santiago Bernabéu (2-3). Lionel Messi marked his 600th goal for Barcelona in style with a magnificent free-kick to cap off their 3-0 win over Liverpool in the Champions League semi-final at the Nou Camp. The Argentine forward had scored a tap-in to record goal number 599, before taking aim from around 25 yards with a majestic strike that whistled into the top corner of the Liverpool net.

Messi is also captain of the Argentina national side and has played in four World Cups (2006, 2010, 2014, 2018), losing in the final in 2014 in Brazil against Germany. He has also played in four Copa Américas (2007, 2011, 2015 and 2016), losing in the final in both 2015 and 2016 to Chile on penalties. In the summer of 2008 he also played at the Beijing Olympics, and came home with a gold medal.



With just 2 games to go in the English Premier League we are no closer to knowing who is going to win the League title. Liverpool and Manchester City continue to change places regularly at the top of the table.

Sergio Aguero nudged Man City back to the top of the table by a few centimetres with the winner at Burnley, after Liverpool hit Huddersfield for five.

Man City took their tally to 92 points but Liverpool are still hot on their heels with 91 - meaning they're on target to hit a staggering 97 yet still be waiting for a first league title since 1990! That'd be the highest Premier League points total not to win the title.

There are just two games left to go and the penultimate fixtures see two former Liverpool managers providing the opposition. Will Rafa Benitez take it easy on his former Reds? Will Brendan Rodgers engineer a Man City slip-up? Remaining fixtures

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Liverpool: Newcastle United (A) Wolves (H)

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On Monday afternoon Michielle Yon from Enterprise St Helena handed over the kit to the 21 players selected to play in the Inter Island Football Tournament in Ynys Mon (Anglesey) Wales. The SHFA would like to thank Enterprise St Helena for sponsoring the kit for this historical sporting event.



BR L-R Liam Yon; Jordan Yon, Brandon Harris, Dane Wade, Lee Yon, Deon Yon, Keith Yon, Jia Peters, Kyle Yon, Cody Thomas, Julian Henry & Jace Williams

FR L-R Johnny Isaac; Ross O'Dean, Jacob Duncan, Brett Isaac, Rico Benjamin, Nick Stevens, Mike E Williams, Ronan Legg, Matthias Young, Ryan Benjamin & Wayne Crowie





14 players participated in the 18 Hole Monthly Medal Competition on Sunday 28 April 2019. Weather conditions were favourable with some rather intermittent hot sunny spells.

The format of this game is each player is given their full handicap and this is then subtracted from their overall score that they had achieved from the day's game, which consequently gives them what is known as a net score.

Returning a net score of 69 and taking 1st place was Lawson Henry. He was closely followed by Jeffrey (Foxy) Stevens with a net 70.

There was only one claim for the two ball pool and this was awarded to Leon Crowie on the7th green. Well done to all three of you.

This coming Sunday 05 May 2019 there will be a two team Texas Scramble (choose your own partner). If you are interested in competing in this competition then please enter your name on the list posted on the club's notice board or leave a voicemail on 24421.

Have a good weekend & happy swinging.

DISTRICT CRICKET RESULTS

Saturday 27th April 2019 13.30pm St Paul's 232/1 Ryan Belgrove 141* Gareth Johnson 53 Ronan Legg 1/48

Sandy Bay 109/10 Matthew Benjamin 24 Aaron Legg 22* Ryan Belgrove 2/7 Gareth Johnson 2/22



Performance Points Ryan Belgrove 3, Gareth Johnson 2, Matthew Benjamin 1

Sunday 28th April 2019 10.00am Longwood 102/8 Darrell Leo 42 Matthias Young 17* Stefan Leo 3/22 Brendan Leo 2/9

Levelwood 103/6 Clayton Leo 36 Sanjay Clingham 17 Ralph Knipe 2/14 Alex Langham 2/25

Performance Points Clayton Leo 3, Darrell Leo 2, Stefan Leo 1

13.30pm Half Tree Hollow 260/4 David Young 114 Andrew Yon 101 Jason George 2/54 Jason Thomas 1/20

Jamestown 179/7 Scott Crowie 100 Makyle Fuller 23 Chris Owen 3/12 Dennis Leo 2/39



Helena Cricket

Association

Performance Points David Young 3, Andrew Yon 2, Scott Crowie 1

NO CRICKET WILL BE PLAYED THIS WEEK (04/05/19) DUE TO THE COUNTRY FAIR BEING HELD ON FRANCIS PLAIN.



Mad Scientists at St Paul's Primary School – Saturday 27th April 2019

On Saturday 27 April, St Paul's Primary hosted their bi-annual Science Fair. The day opened with our Headteacher Mrs Williams welcoming everyone and explaining the reason behind the day followed by Mrs Carolyn Yon (Senior teacher in Curriculum) who gave an overview of why Science is important - Science is all around us, in fact it is the very fabric of life. As a subject in schools it helps children to think about the world around them, to question, explore to try and find answers, it encourages independent learning and thinking.

As Confucius said "I hear and I forget, I see and I remember, I do and I understand." Doing helps us all to understand. So this day was to encourage everyone to go to the various areas and to take part in the activities which were all science based to suit all ages. It was a chance to view the wonderful science projects, to see how the children had formulated scientific questions, explored their ideas and drawn conclusions based on their results.

The school choir performed a song and our cheerleaders displayed their Athletic dancing and chanting. This was to remind pressed with the learners' presentations. A request was made parents and learners that sound and movement also forms to showcase St Paul's Primary's Science projects at this year's part of science. With much planning and preparation done by staff, learners could participate in stimulating and entertaining scientific experiments and games set out in and around the chosen. For each key stage there were 3 prizes: 1st, 2nd and school grounds.

Mrs. Carolyn Yon encouraged young scientists to explore and Key stage 1: examine our weird and wonderful world in a 'Mad Science Lab'. Across the school, various games and activities were offered which stretched learners' imagination and allowed them to think scientifically and link science to their everyday lives. Some of Judges also gave a prize for the 'WOW factor' to Taylor Duncan. these included boat races using squirt bottles and dropping Luca Yarrow received a commended certificate for participatthe penny on a pound at the bottom of a bucket filled with ing and showed great confidence and explanation in making a water. Our ever popular face-painting was also on hand and geiser. Sam Benjamin did a well-researched, well presented Ms. Donna Duncan and Ms. Robyn Sim created beautifully painted faces and happy smiles. In the kitchen, we had three of our PTA super Dads, Dennis Young, Darren Duncan and Alongside of this, the judging also took place of a Marine Poster Tony Winfield cooking up and serving hotdogs, Pilau and popcorn. The tuck shop kept everyone filled with fluids and snacks who supported a Yr 5/6 Circuit group. They had to produce a plus ice cream!

Lawrence had a tough job choosing a winner and were so im-





Teaching and Learning Conference to be held at Prince Andrew School on the 8th of May 2019. Nonetheless, a winner was 3rd prize. These were our winners for each key stage and Mrs In the school hall, Miss Sherell Thomas (Deputy Head) and Kedell Worboys (UK Rep) was on the spot to present them:

1st: James Lawrence

3rd: Ranae Stevens

Key stage 2: 1st: Maya Yon

2nd: Shreya Harris

2nd: Kyle Williams

3rd: Jayann and Allie Fowler

project with lots of relevant information and received the same. Well done to you all!

Competition which was initiated by Miss Prudence Joshua piece of Art for Marine Theme which depicted the harmful ef-On display in the Games Room were learners' science projects fects of pollution of the oceans on marine life and had to have and experiments. The judges Mr. Garry Cameron and Ms. Kerry an element of recycling in it with a message about the way in which people could help to reduce waste. Judges were Miss Sharon Wade and Miss Jodie Grant-Lawrence. The winners were:

> 1st Adrianna Osborne, 2nd Brianna Henry and 3rd Tyrone Peters. Another great achievement!

> St Paul's Primary Science Fair was a great success and enjoyed by all who attended and participated.

Thanks once again to all who supported the events held over the past term for the community. Staff, pupils and PTA are to be congratulated for all of the preparations and now deserve a well-earned break!

THANK YOU!



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PAS Annual Swimming Gala

Last Friday 26th April, Prince Andrew School hosted their annual swimming gala which was reported to have been a very successful and competitive day amongst the competitors from the four respective houses Cavendish, Mundens, Jenkins and Dutton.

Competitors from lower and upper age showed their performance in many races such as Breast Stroke, Front Crawl, Back Stroke, Freestyle, Skill and Medley.

Throughout the days, records were broken in the lower and upper age races, they are as follows:

AGE RACE	COMPETITOR	HOUSE				
Lower 33m Breast Stroke	Stefan Thomas	Dutton				
Lower 33m Breast Stroke	Brooke Yon	Jenkins				
Upper 33m Breast Stroke	Colby Thomas	Mundens				
Lower 33m Front Crawl	Vivienne Pondsford	Mundens				
Upper 33m Front Crawl	Cerys Joshua	Cavendish				
Lower 33m Back Stroke	Brooke Yon	Jenkins				
66m Freestyle	Brooke Yon	Jenkins				
66m Freestyle	Vincent Cave-Smith	n Jenkins				
132m Freestyle Relay Vivienne Pondsford,						
Selene Gough, Abigail Yon, Aliyah Crowie Mundens						

Congratulations are extended to all record breakers and it was noted that two of the record breakers Brooke Yon and Colby Thomas will be competing in the Natwest Island Games in the United Kingdom in June.

This year a new race was introduced which was the 198m year group relay which saw a swimmer from each year group battled it out for their house.

This race concluded the day's events which the tellers then added all points together to announced the 2019 PAS swimming gala champions.

Shortly after, Barbara Osborne, Deputy Head-Student Services announced the much awaited results which were: 2019 PAS Swimming Gala Champions Cavendish on 111 points, Jenkins in 2nd with 95 points, Mundens in 3rd place with 87 points and Dutton in 4th place with 62 points.

Our congratulations are extended to all competitors and well done to Cavendish House on becoming PAS Swimming Gala 2019 champions.



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There will be a dance at the Blue Lamp Club this coming Saturday 4th May from 9pm. Music will be provided by Barry Vanguard and Smiley. All are welcome to attended.

Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of the St Helena Yacht Club will be held at the Yacht Club rooms at the Jamestown Wharf on Tuesday 14th May at 6.30 pm. All are welcome to attend. The SHYC has had a successful year and they welcome interest from those who have energy to give back to the local community through fundraising and who enjoy visiting and meeting Yachties



Music for Your Ears

Sharon Wade

St Paul's Cathedral set the scene for a concert of music on Wednesday night, reflecting the times of Napoleon and George III. The program, made up of 17 wonderful classical pieces was presented by visiting Professor Peter Hicks. As you might have learnt from the Saint FM Breakfast Shows, Professor Hicks is a historian at the Fondation Napoleon, specialist in early-19th century French music and Music Director at St George's Anglican Church in Paris.

A story was told through music last night from both the French and British sides during the times of Napoleon and it certainly painted a mental picture of life in those times. Professor





Hicks was the lead pianist and tenor voice for the evening and was supported by Teeny Lucy on the tambourine, Jennifer Ratcliffe and Juliane Krause on Violins, James Fantom on Cello and Andrew Radley who played a piano solo. The Soprano singers were Teeny Lucy and Helen Radley, Basses – Andrew Radley and Joe Hollins, and Alto – Jennifer Ratcliffe. Over 100 people attended the event at the Cathedral and their resounding applause echoed the success of the evening.

The next event for the Music Festival is scheduled for Saturday at St James' Church and will be open to anyone who would like to sing.

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