

What Passenger Planes Can Actually Land At St Helena Airport?

Saint Helena has welcomed its latest arrival. On Wednesday, a Titan Airways Boeing 757 touched down at the airport as the first direct flight from London. To mark the occasion, we thought we would take a look at which aircraft are actually capable of landing at this beautiful location.



Titan's 757 touched down in Saint Helena around lunchtime Wednesday. Photo: Titan Airways

Titan's B757 arrives again

On Wednesday UK charter company Titan Airways touched down in Saint Helena with its Boeing 757 aircraft. The plane, a twenty-year-old B757-256 registered G-ZAPX, is undertaking Titan's latest charter operation to the South Atlantic island. It left London Stansted at 02:26 in the morning, stopped at Accra at 07:34 to refuel and finally touched down in HLE at 13:13 Wednesday lunchtime.



Titan's 757 flew out from London in the early hours of Wednesday morning. Image: FlightRadar24.com



Following a brief fuel stop, it continued on its journey, landing safely at Saint Helena just in time for lunch. Image: FlightRadar24.com

Simple Flying

This time, the flight was additionally notable because the aircraft flew direct, save for a fuel stop. The last time Titan operated one of these charters to Saint Helena, it first stopped overnight on Ascension Island before continuing on.

For an airport that had previously been primarily served commercially by the Embraer 190 of SA Airlink, the 757 is a big step up. It's the second time the 757 has successfully landed at HLE, showcasing that it's not just small aircraft that can serve this out of the way airfield. So which planes can actually land at the airport once cruelly and incorrectly dubbed 'the world's most useless airport'?

Which aircraft can land at Saint Helena?

When Saint Helena was designed, it was planned to accommodate aircraft no larger than a 737-700 or Airbus A319. But, in 2013, the Saint Helena government along with construction company Basil Read undertook some modifications to allow larger aircraft to land.

Following the addition of wider runway shoulders, extensions and turning circles, the airport now boasts a concrete runway of some 1,950 metres and a Landing Distance Available (LDA) of 1,550 metres. This makes it possible for Code D aircraft to land, including the Lockheed C-130 Hercules and the Boeing 757.

In essence, any aircraft up to and including the size of the Boeing 757 can land at Saint Helena. The Embraer E jets are ideally suited to the conditions at HLE, due to their tolerance for tailwinds, but that doesn't mean other aircraft will struggle. Airport CEO Gwyneth Howell explained that, because Saint Helena is a category C airport, preparation is needed for any arriving aircraft, regardless of its size. She said,

"If pilots haven't been trained in category C conditions, which is unusual or sometimes challenging approaches, and they fly in here unprepared, then they'll actually get quite a surprise. The pilots that come here have been trained. They know what to expect, they know when to expect it."

What are airport categories?

While there are a number of ways to classify airports, one of the key categorizations for an airport like Saint Helena is its landing category. A risk assessment based on various data points designates every airfield as either category A, B or C. For an airport to be designated as category A, it must meet some strict criteria. These include:

- Night operations capability
- At least one runway with no performance limited procedure for landing and take off
- An approved instrument landing procedure

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• Circling minimum of no higher than 1,000 feet

Any airport that is classified as category A is one of the easiest to land at out there.

For category B, there may be some elements that make it slightly out of the ordinary. These airports either can't tick all the boxes to be a category A airfield, or there are some special considerations, for example,

- Unusual weather conditions
- · Unusual lighting, layout or obstructions
- Non-standard approach procedures

Some examples of category B airfields include Rome Ciampino, Dubrovnik, Corfu and Jersey.

However, what really gets a pilot's blood pumping is landing at a category C airport. These airports often have the most stunning looking but mentally challenging approaches involved. The issues surrounding these airfields are often unique to each one, but there are some notable examples in Europe. Innsbruck in Austria is widely considered one of the most beautiful approaches in the world. However, its valley location with high terrain on all sides means its challenging visually and sometimes experiences low-level turbulence. Gibraltar has limited landing and take-off weights due to its short runway and can experience unusual wind effects due to the nearby 'Rock'.

Can Legal Blunder Stop Cheap Broadband on St Helena? Mike Olsson

It appears that our own legislation could potentially create a problem for the future. Many are arguing for competition, or at least substantial change to how telecommunications works on the Island. There is strong opposition to extend Sure's monopoly beyond the current licence period which ends in 2022. It is felt that if Sure's monopoly continues the introduction of fast broadband via the submarine cable will be of little help to lower the cost of communication for the people and businesses on St Helena.

It is true that we have one of the highest charges for telecoms in the world and this price is for a very slow service.

It is well known that if Sure SA does not get an extension to their monopoly licence beyond 2022 St Helena Government has to pay compensation to Sure for their investments on the Island. This is likely to be a multi-million payment.

What is not clear is what SHG is paying for. The compensation clause in the Telecommunication Ordinance (2006) says "Whenever a Utility licence comes to an end and it is not renewed for a period commencing with the expiry of that licence, the Government must pay to the former licensee compensation in accordance with this section."

Further down in the same section it is stipulated what assets should be compensated for and how the value of the assets should be depreciated. It is all in great detail.

There is only one big problem with the legislation. It does not stipulate what happens to the assets after millions are spent on compensating Sure. There is nothing in the Ordinance stating that the assets are transferred into SHG ownership after the compensation has been paid. As the law is written it looks like we are paying Sure compensation for not being able to use their assets for telecommunication but not to take ownership of the assets.

What can happen is that we have to pay Sure twice, once according to the legislation, and once more to take ownership of Sure's assets. Sure can charge SHG whatever they want for the assets and obviously the Island cannot afford to build a completely new telecommunication network, bury new cables and erecting new towers, and everything else that goes with it.

This legal hiccup makes it almost impossible for anybody to compete with Sure or actually buy them out.

Somebody suggested that we should change the Telecommunication Ordinance but this is not feasible either as the current licence agreement with Sure is based on the current legislation and any new legislation would be retrospective and thereby invalid.

Just to clarify this important issue further we can compare the Telecommunications Ordinance with the Utilities Ordinance (2013). This is the law which regulates Connect St Helena. As it stands now, this law is regulating a state owned company (Connect is state owned) but the legislation is written in a way that it could also be applicable if Connect would be privatised.

The Utilities Ordinance is clear on the point of compensation and what happens to the assets if Connect's Utilities licence should expire, is says: "Whenever a licence of a Utilities Provider comes to an end and it is not renewed for a period commencing with the expiry of that licence, the public utility service assets thereupon vest, without any deed or other instrument of transfer, in Her Majesty in right of Her Government of St Helena, and that Government must pay to the Utilities Provider compensation in accordance with this section."

This is a legal way of saying that 'when SHG pays the compensation they take over the assets'. This is how it should be but it was overlooked in 2006 when they wrote the Telecommunications Ordinance and it was also overlooked in 2012/ 2013 when the new contract was signed with Sure.

This can be a very costly mistake by St Helena Government but hopefully arbitrators and legal experts can sort out the problem in St Helena's favour.



I read the summary reports of council committee meetings fairly regularly. On most occasions what was discussed, the way it was discussed and the decisions which are never made are a constant reminder that the way we are governed is far from being remotely acceptable. The summary of the Education Committee meeting caught my eye this week. The subjects for discussion and the way the committee 'progressed' with the agenda items seemed to be too wacky, very strange, destined to have little effect. All the time some very complicated, long-winded way of not achieving very much despite strenuous but unproductive effort is chosen. The quick and simple way is avoided in preference to needless complication and mountains of fruitless work.

It must be clear to most people who go around with their eyes open that we need a better way of doing things in the Castle. Any other way of doing things has got to be better than the way the councillors flounder around now; taking a decade sometimes to make a decision and bring to a conclusion. The time wasted in the past has meant many missed opportunities and cost money. We will have the opportunity soon to change the way we are governed. If you start from the position that the way things are now done just cannot continue because it is completely unacceptable, the rest comes easy. All the ditherers and nay-sayers can get to the back of the queue and let the rest of us take the first step to pulling this Island out of the mess it is in.

If you always do what you've always done, you will always get what you've always got.

As the well known saying goes:-

There are plenty of people here with energy, with get-up-andgo and a strong desire to make their mark through what they do, know what they want to achieve and how they can achieve it. The problem is, like the rest of us they are fighting against an outdated, overly expensive and horribly inefficient system of government. The day must surely have come for people with confidence and conviction to take over as leaders. We need leaders who have a clear idea about how a range of things can be improved and ready to work hard to achieve the desired results. There are more than enough people with the required personal qualities and characteristics to take this Island forward in a way it has never been taken forward before.

Such people will never think of getting involved with the governance of this Island while the system of governance remains as it is. Anyone with any sense will run a mile from the disconnected, time-wasting mess that is called our system of government. Bring in a better governance system, provide the situations which offer the opportunity to move the Island forward and there is no doubt that Saints who have the capability, charisma and confidence to get the job done will come forward.

Taking the first step is the most important step of all. The opportunity to take that step is coming soon. Much work remains to be done to achieve the final and very much desired result. That work includes everyone making sure their voice is heard as the details are worked through. Making your voice heard is what that strange thing called democracy is all about.

A famous person once said,

"Every nation gets the government it deserves". This is especially true when a nation can not only elect its leaders but also choose the system of government the elected leaders are required to work to.

INDY DICTURE QUIZ.....Series 1 Blast From The Past Dicture 23...

GO BACK IN TIME....20 OR 30+ years, AND SEE IF YOU CAN NAME THESE TWO PEOPLE.....

(Clue: They are seen quite often around town.....!!)

Tune in to this afternoon's Shine Show with Sharon Wade and submit your answers at the specified time... only their given names will be accepted! No nicknames please.....



ANSWER TO PICTURE QUIZ 22.... District: Jamestown Surface: Water (Winner: Caroline Andrews—New Ground)



South Africa eases Covid-19 restrictions on international travel

On Wednesday South Africa's President, Cyril Ramaphosa, announced his country will move to Level 1 coronavirus restrictions on Monday 21st September as the country's Covid-19 infection rate continues to decline. The relaxation of restrictions will make public and private gatherings a little easier but wearing face masks and social distancing remain in place. The Level 1 restrictions include re-opening South Africa's airports to international travel. The relaxation of international travel restrictions will not start until 1st October and significant precautionary measures aimed at preventing the spread of Covid-19 will be imposed.



A list of countries permitted to operate planes to and from South Africa will be published by the South African Government and international flights will only be able land at OR Tambo (Johannesburg) airport, Cape Town International or King Shaka airport (Durban).

Travellers will also need to provide a certificate showing they are free from coronavirus or they will be put into quarantine at their own cost. The Covid-19 test certificate has to be obtained no more than 72 hours before boarding a flight to South Africa.

A further regulation requires all air passengers to have the South African Covid-19 alert app on their smartphone or other mobile computer device. The alert app is a contact tracing appliance which can be downloaded from the Apple App Store or the Google Play Store. It uses Bluetooth technology to let people know if they have been in contact with someone who has Covid-19. The application is less than 3 MB.

It seems unlikely the St Helena Government will want to use our limited number of coronavirus testing kits on air passengers leaving St Helena for South Africa. The first priority must remain to test people arriving here by plane, yacht or the MV Helena. The additional requirement for everyone arriving to quarantine for 14 days at Bradley's Camp will remain a disincentive to travel. Smartphones and other mobile computer devices are not used by many Saints due to high charges so the South African requirement for all passengers to have their contact tracing app downloaded by every arriving passenger on personal mobile computerised devices is another significant barrier to travel.

The latest daily figures from South Africa show 1,923 new cases and 64 additional deaths. The new infection rate peaked in July at almost 14,000 new Covid-19 cases in one day.



When South Africa moved to Level 2 coronavirus alert on 17th August prohibitions on South African domestic flights were eased and have been progressively eased since. The number of South African airports operating domestic flights has increased and regional airlines are operating increased numbers of routes. Earlier this month Airlink started operating a further five of the domestic routes under the Level 2 restrictions which had been closed down under the Level 5 restrictions.

It is expected the Level 1 restrictions announced on Wednesday by President Ramaphosa will also be gradually relaxed if the daily total of new coronavirus cases continues to fall. As this happens it is anticipated Airlink will press for the St Helena air service to be re-instated. They will want to return to maximum utilisation of their expensive fleet of planes as soon as possible. Public sentiment in St Helena may not be as keen as Airlink to re-open the Jo'burg – St Helena route; however there may be contractual financial penalties if the St Helena Government continues to close the airport to Airlink when it is possible to resume the weekly air service. Further information is being sought on these points.

Indicators from other countries on how fast airlines have resumed regular flights on their usual routes are limited. However, Mozambique re-opened its airspace to international flights recently but only six countries have resumed operations so far. As with South Africa there are a range of precautionary measures which makes the prospect of regular flights unattractive to passengers and an unacceptable commercial risk to airlines. Reports from other countries describe a slow and cautious approach to re-opening routes across all airlines. The massive debt incurred by airlines since March when the spread of coronavirus became a pandemic will only increase further if routes are re-opened and the hoped for passengers stay on the ground. These commercial considerations do not fully apply to Airlink on their Jo'burg to St Helena route. A small profit was reported on the route in the most recent financial returns but if there is a loss, it is SHG/FCDO who pay up; there is no commercial risk to Airlink.



When will it end?

This week the South African Government joined several other countries when they announced plans to ease coronavirus restrictions and start to open up their borders to people from other countries. The strong and common motive among all countries driving the relaxation of restrictions is to get the national economy moving once more. Past experience shows the coronavirus infection rate starts to rise again soon after the relaxations in restrictions are put in place. Others take a different view; looking at the long term rather than the quick wins.

At a press conference recently the Falklands Chief Medical Officer said, "We are still in the foothills of the global curve", suggesting the worst is yet to come. At the same time the Falkland Islands Government confirmed there are no plans to change the 14 day quarantine requirement for people arriving at the Falklands from overseas. Answering questions on when the battle against Covid-19 will be won the Chief Medical Officer, Dr Edwards, said, "Personally I believe we're going to have to learn to live alongside Covid rather than waiting for Covid to disappear ... I think a lot of the processes that we have in place that we're sort of naturally doing now – using the alcohol gel, trying not to have mass gatherings, if you're unwell staying away from other people – that's going to be with us forever ... And if not Covid the next nasty infectious virus to come along."

The Falklands Chief Executive added, "Our view is that we want to minimise that risk and therefore the 14-day quarantine arrangements will stay. We've also made it pretty clear



Turn off the tap while brushing your teeth. Water comes out of the average faucet at 2.5 gallons per minute. Don't let all that water go down the drain while you brush! Turn off the faucet after you wet your brush, and leave it off until it's time to rinse. that we won't be reviewing our visitor policy either to include tourists."

Also this week the UK Foreign Affairs Committee (a scrutiny committee of the sort proposed for St Helena in a new system of government) took evidence from a representative of the World Health Organisation (WHO) on what the future holds for the world in the face of the coronavirus pandemic. The WHO representative told the committee the world is "at the beginning of the pandemic – not even at the middle". Based on this prospect for the future the WHO representative, Dr David Nabarro, stated clearly that the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office "must take a global perspective because there is a real likelihood that this is going to massively increase poverty." The same message applied to other developed nations.

To emphasise his message further, Dr Nabarro told the Foreign Affairs Committee, "We're beginning to see what damage it's going to cause to the world, and it's getting nastier. ... It's a terrible situation," and, "A health issue has got so out of control it's [causing] ... huge economic contractions which will probably double the number of poor people, double the number of malnourished, lead to hundreds of small businesses going bankrupt, and generally wreck the destination for a lot of young people who are not going to get education or opportunity," he said.



WHO reprentative Dr David Nabarro giving a global view of the coronavirus pandemic to the UK Foriegn Affairs Committee

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Invitation to Tender

The Saint Helena Government wishes to invite suitably experienced contractors to submit tenders for the Refurbishment of Levelwood Public Toilets near Silver Hill Bar. Copies of the tender document can be obtained from

Miss Shelley Thomas Executive Assistant Programme Management Unit The Castle Jamestown Telephone No: 22470 or Email: shelley.thomas@sainthelena.gov.sh



A site visit to view the works will take place on Friday 25th September 2020, at 10am, meeting at Levelwood Public Toilets near Silver Hill Bar. Contractors should note that site visits requested after the 25th September will not be entertained unless there is a relevant reason why the contractor could not attend the scheduled site visit.

If you require any further details, please contact Graduate Civil Engineer, Mr Kyle Shoesmith, on telephone number 25805 or email kyle.shoesmith@sainthelena.gov.sh

A hard copy of completed tenders should be submitted in the tender box located in the main Castle Foyer, Jamestown by 12noon on Friday 09th October 2020.

Interested parties should note that this opportunity is not being advertised overseas.

SHG 17 September 2020

Invitation to Tender

The Saint Helena Government wishes to invite suitably experienced contractors to submit tenders for the Proposed St Paul's Primary School Covered Area. Copies of the tender document can be obtained from

Miss Shelley Thomas Executive Assistant Programme Management Unit The Castle Jamestown Telephone No: 22470 or Email: shelley.thomas@sainthelena.gov.sh



A site visit regarding the works will take place on Wednesday 23rd September 2020, at 10am, meeting at the main gate at St Paul's Primary school. Contractors should note that site visits requested after the 23rd September will not be entertained unless there is a relevant reason why the contractor could not attend the scheduled site visit.

If you require any further details, please contact Graduate Civil Engineer, Mr Kyle Shoesmith, on telephone number 25805 or email kyle.shoesmith@sainthelena.gov.sh

A hard copy of completed tenders should be submitted in the tender box located in the main Castle Foyer, Jamestown by 12noon on Wednesday 07th October 2020.

Interested parties should note that this opportunity is not being advertised overseas.

SHG

14 September 2020



PUBLIC NOTICE

VACANCY School Secretary (Prince Andrew School)

Do you enjoy working in a busy environment?

We are looking for a **School Secretary** for a **fixed-term** period until the **31 December 2020** to join our team at Prince Andrew School, to assist with the running of the school office and provide support to teaching staff and students alike.

The following are essential...

 GCSE in English & Maths at grade C or above or equivalent

(Applicants without a Level 2 qualification in Maths and English may still apply and can undertake a functional skills assessment).

- Intermediate IT Skills in Microsoft Applications
- Work experience in an administrative role
- Experience with cash handling
- Ability to produce accurate and clear written communications
- Ability to work independently and as part of a team

It would be an **advantage** to have experience working in an office environment.

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.

Please note that the successful applicant will need to be available for an immediate start.

Salary for this post is in Grade B commencing at **£6,722 per** annum.

For **further information** about the duties of the post and a copy of the job profile, interested persons should contact **Penelope Bowers**, Head Teacher Prince Andrew School on telephone number **24290** or e-mail: Penelop<u>e.bowers@princeandrew.edu.sh</u>

Application forms, which are available from Corporate Human Resources and the Education & Employment Directorate or on the SHG website at: <u>www.sainthelena.gov.sh/vacancies</u> should be submitted through Directors where applicable, to Sharina Williams, Human Resources Officer, The Castle or email recruitment@sainthelena.gov.sh by **no later than Monday, 28** September 2020.

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.





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Store Supervisor – Ascension Island



Chandlery Mini Market has a vacancy for a Store Supervisor to join their small team on Ascension Island. Applicants are expected to be flexible Applicants must be physically fit. independently. Candidates must have at least 2 years' supervisory experience in a similar role and have experience working in a retail environment. in their tasks and able to work comfortably within a small team, we seek somebody with good customer service skills and the ability to act

Essential abilities for this role will include:

- Monitoring and implementing strict stock rotation procedures
- Clear communication skills
- Supervise shop floor staff, and maintain procedures that are already in place
- Be well organised, reliable and consistent
- Keep shop store organized and functional
- Schedule Staff rota's and holidays
- Computer literacy and knowledge of Microsoft Office programs is essential

This is a single status role and benefits will include:

- Rent free accommodation
- Electricity and water allowances
- Food allowance
- Free return flight to your country of residence
- 30 days annual holiday
- Medical & primary dental care

email: office@chandleryminimarket.co.ac For more information on this post a job description and an application form please contact Natalie Sim or Carine Young Tel : +247 66810 or

All application forms to be submitted no later than Monday 28th September 2020 4pm.



Vacancy for Communications Engineer – DHFCS Ascension Island

Babcock has a vacancy for a full-time Communications Engineer to work at the Defence High Frequency Communication Services (DHFCS) sites on Ascension Island.

The Primary function of the post, is to work within a small team, to carry out maintenance and repairs on HF Transmitters, Receivers and Control equipment.

The post will be offered either on a single or accompanied contract, depending on personal circumstances, and includes bungalow accommodation. Any offer of employment will be conditional on passing a medical examination.

Job role:

- Maintain and repair HF Transmitters, Receivers and associated Communications and IT systems.
- Promote safe conduct at work, ensuring safe working practices are applied in accordance with company policies, training and instructions.
- Assist with any project work.
- Assist with any other duties to maintain a safe, clean and tidy workplace.

Required Qualifications and Experience:

- BTEC National Certification/Diploma in Communications/Electronics or equivalent.
- Practical experience in Transmitter and Receiver maintenance, fault finding and repairs.
- Good understanding of Communications and IT systems.
- Awareness of Health and Safety regulations, and safe working practices.

Skills and Attributes

- Self-motivation and enthusiastic, performance driven, conscientious and willingness to develop.
- Be willing to work independently or actively as a team member.
- Good communication skills, both verbally and in writing.
- Have a good user level of PC software applications.

You will also require:

- A full driving licence
- A willingness to travel within the UK and other overseas DHFCS sites, if required for training or work experience.
- To be eligible for SC Level (UK) security clearance.
- To carry out call-out/standby duties, and willingness to work flexible hours if required.

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

For further information regarding the post and entitlements, and for an application form, please contact Jonathan Stroud on telephone 66254 or email jonathan.stroud2@babcockinternational.com

Applications and CV's to be sent to:

Jonathan Stroud, Station Manager (DHFCS Ascension) Donkey Plain Transmitter Site Email: jonathan.stroud2@babcockinternational.com

Closing date for applications is Friday 2nd October 2020.

INFORMAL EXPRESSION OF INTEREST - RUPERT'S DEVELOPMENT

St Helena Government's (SHG), Programme Management Unit (PMU) would like to hear from all local companies that would be interested in tendering for any of the following contracts as part of the Rupert's Container Handling Facility Project under the Economic Development Investment Programme (EDIP). All of these contracts will be tendered locally, and some will also be tendered internationally as well as locally. The contract packages have not yet been finalised, but the following information should help to inform interested parties of the works planned on this Project from late 2020 until early 2022. This is not an invitation for formal Expressions of Interest, but the feedback received will be very useful for PMU's project planning purposes.

1. Container Freight Station Building design and supply contract

Design and supply of a two-storey steel portal framed structure including all internal steelwork, rollers shutters, doors, windows, insulated wall and roof cladding. The building footprint is approx. 900m². The detailed design brief and specifications will be provided by the Client as part of the tender documents. For design purposes the climate classification will be severe marine, with environmental conditions equivalent to Aberdeen (without ice or snow loading).

2. Port Control/Customs/Biosecurity Building design and supply contract

Design and supply of a two-storey steel portal framed structure including all internal steelwork, rollers shutters, doors, windows, insulated wall and roof cladding. The building footprint is approx. 250m². The design brief and specifications will be provided by the Client as part of the tender documents. For design purposes the climate classification will be severe marine, with environmental conditions equivalent to Aberdeen (without ice or snow loading).

3. Container Storage Yard contract

Construction of a high specification reinforced concrete slab approx. 1750m³, including all necessary earthworks, granular base course (approx. 2,600 m³) and retaining walls. The brief and specifications will be provided by the Client as part of the tender documents.

4. Break-Bulk Cargo Yard contract

Construction of a bituminous surfaced yard of approx. 2,100m², including all necessary earthworks, granular base course (approx. 425 m³) and retaining walls. The brief and specifications will be provided by the Client as part of the tender documents.

5. Container Freight Station Container Yard contract

Construction of a high specification reinforced concrete slab approx. 350m³, including all necessary earthworks, granular base course (approx. 525 m³) and retaining walls. The brief and specifications will be provided by the Client as part of the tender documents.

6. Container Freight Station Building erection contract

Erection of the 900m2 building supplied under Item 1. Internal fit-out of the building, provision and installation of a lift and all utility services. The brief and specifications will be provided by the Client as part of the tender documents.

7. Port Control/Customs/Biosecurity Building erection contract

Erection of the 250m² building supplied under Item 2. Internal fit-out of the building, provision and installation of a lift and all utility services. The brief and specifications will be provided by the Client as part of the tender documents.

8. Public Car Park contract

Construction of a bituminous surfaced car park of approx. 660m², including all necessary earthworks and granular base course (approx. 150 m³). The brief and specifications will be provided by the Client as part of the tender documents.

9. Security Gates and Security Fencing contract

Supply and install approx. 900m of ISPS compliant (2.9m high) security fencing and associated security gates. The brief and specifications will be provided by the Client as part of the tender documents.

10. CCTV and lighting design, supply (and potentially installation) contract

Design and supply a CCTV system to be ISPS compliant for port security purposes, which will comprise approximately eight building mounted units and 20 post mounted cameras, including lighting units with support structures to provide appropriate lighting levels for the CCTV system. The brief and specifications will be provided by the Client as part of the tender documents.

11. Gatehouse, Stevedores' Mess contract(s)

Suitably portable, single storey buildings with a footprint of approx. 18m² each. The brief and specifications will be provided by the Client as part of the tender documents.

12. Footpaths contract

Improvements to existing footpaths and construction of new footpaths. The brief and specifications will be provided by the Client as part of the tender documents.

13. Landscaping contract

A variety of hard and soft landscaping works. The brief and specifications will be provided by the Client as part of the tender documents.

14. Historic dry stone wall repair contract

The repair of approx. 200 linear metres of historic dry stone wall. The brief and specifications will be provided by the Client as part of the tender documents.

15. Miscellaneous Works contracts

Small works packages around the site which will be tendered separately towards the end of the main works e.g. additional concrete works etc.

We envisage that tenders for these contracts will start to be advertised from October 2020.

Please reply in writing by Friday, 25 September 2020 to the PMU – pmu.general@sainthelena.gov.sh stating:

- Name of Company;
- Which contract(s) you would be interested in tendering for; and
- Whether you would bid as a main contractor, or prefer to work as a subcontractor.

PMU 15 September 2020





Vacancy - Customer Service Assistant - NAAFI Ascension Island

We have a great opportunity for the right person to join our team on Ascension Island!

We have a vacancy for a CSA to work within our retail and leisure establishments at Traveller's Hill. Hours of work are 48 per week and shift timings will include split shifts, unsociable hours & weekends.

Competitive rates of pay, free food & accommodation and annual retention bonus.

The successful candidate should have excellent customer service skills, be reliable and trustworthy, able to use their own initiative, be flexible and willing to learn. Full on-job training will be given.

Free passage will be provided from and to the Country of origin.

The successful person will need to undergo medical, dental and security checks prior to start of employment.

For further information, terms & conditions, and an application form please contact Liz Hendriks on Ihendriks@naafi.co.uk or telephone number 0049 5254 949475 (Germany).

VACANCY – ROADS OPERATIVE (FIXED TERM)

The Roads section has a vacancy for a Roads Operative until the 31st December 2020.

The Roads Operative will be responsible to work with a team to deliver the roads maintenance programmes, including assisting the masons. Preparing roads for surface work by clearing verges and removal of any weed growth on the road surface and building up of roads by hand packing stone, rubble and the applications of grit and tar.

The candidate will need to have the ability to carry out any operational duties, have basic written and verbal communication skills and be physically fit.

The salary for this post is at Grade B1 commencing at £6,722 per annum.

For further details regarding this post, interested persons should contact Mr Deon Robberttse on telephone number 23765 (e-mail roads.manager@helanta.co.sh)

Application forms and Job profiles for both posts are available from Essex House and should be submitted to the Human Resources Manager, ENRD, Essex House or e-mail karen.thomas@sainthelena.gov.sh by no later than Tuesday 22nd September 2020. Proposed interviews for successful candidates will take place on Friday 2nd October 2020.

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.

Director of Infrastructure and Transport Directorate 8 September 2020



Airport Mechanic Apprentice



MECHANIC APPRENTICE VACANCY WITHIN ST HELENA AIRPORT LIMITED

The primary role of the Apprentice is to perform minor to major mechanical repairs and services, to ensure proper performance and safety of Airport vehicles, Fire Vehicles, Generators and Ground Service Equipment. To achieve this, the apprentice will carry out scheduled routine maintenance, following established procedures whilst working in a high-risk environment.

Education / Qualifications:

The successful apprentice must be computer literate, hold as a minimum, an Automotive Qualification VRQ Level 1 or working towards, or similar with English GCSE Grade C or above.

Responsibilities and Duties:

Reporting to the Airport Mechanic, the Apprentice will undergo supervised on-the-job training to perform Mechanical Maintenance and Repairs.

The apprentice must be flexible with their working routine as normal hours of work are from 08:00 to 16:00 Tuesday to Saturday and will include working on Sundays and out of hours to support scheduled and ad-hoc aircraft operations. The apprentice must be physically fit, able to lift items weighing up to 20kgs, work in standing positions for long periods of time, work both internally and externally, sometimes in inclement weather. The successful candidate must be able to work in compliance with international regulations and adhere to the Airport Safety, Environmental and Health and Safety polices.

The apprentice must be willing to obtain or be in possession of a clear driver's licence, attend all required training, be of a professional manner and able to provide the following:

- → A full medical assessment
- A 5 year verifiable employment/education history check and be able to show proof for periods of unemployment
- → Pass a Narcotic and Alcohol test
- ➔ Undergo a Criminal Background Check.

In this instance, the opportunity is being offered on a 12-month basis with the apprentice's ability being monitored and assessed through the company's performance appraisal process.

If you think you have the relevant qualifications and some skills to suit this role, or you would like more information or to receive the Apprentice job description and application form, please contact Elaine Hopkins at the St Helena Airport on Telephone number 25180 Ext 0 or email address recruitment@sthelenaairport.aero. For information on the apprenticeship programme contact Cedric Cooper, Airport Mechanic Tel 25180 Ext 141.

The closing date for this position is Friday 25th September 2020.

GOVERNANCE COMMISSION PUBLIC ENGAGEMENT

The Governance Commission has commenced their programme of public engagement on the two alternate systems of governance for St Helena (either a revised Committee system or a Ministerial form of government), that Professor Sarkin recommended as alternatives to the current committee system.

Members of the public wishing to provide comments or take part in discussions around the two alternate systems can do so by emailing: governance.reform.feedback@gmail.com or attending any of the below remaining public meetings.

All meetings will start at 7pm. Monday, 21 September Wednesday, 23 September Thursday, 24 September Monday, 28 September

Sandy Bay Community Centre Blue Hill Community Centre Half Tree Hollow Community Centre Silver Hill Bar, Levelwood

An information session for the Youth Parliament and young people on St Helena will take place at Plantation House from 6-8pm on Tuesday, 22 September 2020.

Young people aged between 16 and 25 years interested in taking part in the session, should register their interest with Linda Glanville in the Governor's Office via email: linda.glanville@sainthelena.gov.sh or tel: 22555 by 12noon on Monday, 21 September 2020.

Commission members are also happy to accommodate any questions or comments directly. Members are:

- Belinda Piek
- Christine Thomas
- Cyril Gunnell
- Martin Henry
- Vince Thompson

All feedback received is being collated and will be reported back to Legislative Council. Feedback will help Council to set direction for a formal poll on the current system vs an alternative system.

Hard copies of the Governance Commission report have been placed in each of the Community Centres and the Public Library in Jamestown. The report and summary presentation, as well as Professor Sarkin's reports, are also available on the Public Information, Reports, and Policies page of the SHG website: https://www.sainthelena.gov.sh/government/public-information/

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14 September 2020

Governor's Office, St Helena, Ascension and Tristan da Cunha 15 September 2020



GOVERNANCE COMMISSION INFORMATION SESSION FOR YOUNG PEOPLE REGISTER YOUR INTEREST

The Governance Commission will be holding an information session with the St Helena Youth Parliament from 6-8pm at Plantation House on Tuesday, 22 September 2020.

The Commission will be discussing the two alternate systems of governance for St Helena (either a revised Committee system or a Ministerial form of government), that Professor Sarkin recommended as alternatives to the current committee system.

The session is also open to all young people between the ages of 16 and 25 years and you are invited to come along to participate in the discussions and share your views with the Commission.

If you are interested in taking part in the session, please register your interest with Linda Glanville in the Governor's Office via email: linda.glanville@sainthelena.gov.sh or tel: 22555 by 12noon on Monday, 21 September 2020.

Governor's Office, St Helena, Ascension and Tristan da Cunha, 14 September 2020

ROAD CLOSURES SIDE PATH AND FIELD ROAD

The Highways Authority has given approval for the following road closures:

Side Path Road - from The Brow to Field Road junction - to be closed from 8am to 5pm on Saturday, 19 September 2020.

Field Road - from Side Path Road junction to the Haul Road junction - to be closed from 8am to 5pm on Sunday, 20 September 2020.

These closures are to allow the PMU to carry out road design testing in these areas in connection with the R2 Project.

During both closures, only emergency services will be granted access.

The public and businesses are thanked in advance for their understanding and patience.



Armchair Supporters View by Nick Stevens

Last weekend we saw the 2020/2021 English Premier League season kick off. I didn't manage to watch many full matches, but I did enjoyed the bits I did see.

There were two teams that suffered defeats but in my opinion played so well. The first one was Leeds who was great as an attacking force against the Champions Liverpool and could have easily come away from Anfield with at least a point.

Three times Liverpool took the lead and three times Leeds showed great character to equalise; it took Liverpool's Egyptian King Mo Salah to complete his hat trick from the penalty spot to give the champions a perfect start in the defence of their title.



Mo Salah in form from day one with a hat trick The other team that loss an impress me was Brighton as their attacking play against Chelsea was great to watch. Individual errors at the back for two of the goals cost them the game and handed Chelsea all 3 points. The second goal that Chelsea scored was a brilliant thunder bolt from their Full Back Reece James.



Chelsea new boys Timo Werner and Kai Havertz was out performed by former Chelsea youngster Tariq Lamptey who put in a man of the match performance for Brighton and created a number of chances for the South Coast team.

Arsenal started the season off with a 3-0 win away at Fulham. Fulham looked poor throughout so I couldn't judge how good Arsenal was.

New signing Gabriel dos Santos Magalhães scored on his debut for Arsenal and captain Aubameyang also scored.

On Tuesday Aubameyang signed a new 3 year deal with the 'Gunners'. This is huge for Arsenal and it could prove to be crucial as Arsenal strives to improve their league position this season.

In other matches Everton put in an impressive performance against Spurs as they defeated them 1-0 with a goal from Calwen-Lewin. Everton three signings James Rodriguez, Brazil's Allan and Watford's Abdoulaye Doucoure were brilliant in their debut for the 'Toffees'. Everton could be the dark horses who could challenge for European places this season.



Arsenal striker and Captain Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang sign a new 3 year deal with Arsenal said to be worth £55m.

For Spurs the score line could have being worse as Everton's striker Richarlison had a numbers of opportunities to score. Tottenham manager Jose Mourinho labels his team lazy after the match.

Crystal Palace got off to a winning start as they defeated Southampton 1 nil with Wilfried Zaha scoring.

Newcastle new boys Callum Wilson and Jeff Hendrick scored in Newcastles's 2-0 win away at West Ham.

Jamie Vardy scored two penalties as Leicester City defeat West Brom 3-0.

Wolves scored two goals in six minutes at Nuno Dos Santos team defeated Sheffield United 2-0.



James Rodriguez the player who impress me the most on the opening weekend of the season.

Week two of the EPL season gets under way on Saturday at 11.30am as Everton play West Bromwich Albion at Goodison Park.

Leeds plays at home in the top flight for the first time in 16 seasons when they host Fulham.

Manchester United gets their campaign under way at Old Trafford when they play Crystal Palace at 4.30pm. Man United and Man City had an extra week off and didn't play in game week 1 due to the fact they were involve with the latter stages of the European competition last season.

Saturday's evening game at 7pm will see Arsenal host West Ham.

On Sunday Southampton play Tottenham Hotspur at Saint Mary's at 11am.

Newcastle host Brighton at 1pm; Chelsea play Liverpool at Stamford Bridge at 3.30pm and Leicester City play Burnley at the King Power Stadium at 6pm.

On Monday Aston Villa get their League season underway when they play Sheffield United at Villa Park at 5pm GMT. Wolverhampton Wanderers play Manchester City at 7.15pm.

Premier League Fixtures 2020/2021

Saturday 19 September Arsenal v West Ham Aston Villa v Sheffield United Chelsea v Liverpool Everton v West Brom Leeds United v Fulham Leicester City v Burnley Man Utd v Crystal Palace Newcastle United v Brighton Southampton v Spurs Wolves v Man City

Saturday 26 September Brighton v Man Utd Burnley v Southampton Crystal Palace v Everton Fulham v Aston Villa Liverpool v Arsenal Man City v Leicester City Sheffield United v Leeds United Spurs v Newcastle United

West Brom v Chelsea West Ham v Wolves Saturday 3 October

Arsenal v Sheffield United Aston Villa v Liverpool Chelsea v Crystal Palace Everton v Brighton Leeds United v Man City Leicester City v West Ham Man Utd v Spurs Newcastle United v Burnley Southampton v West Brom Wolves v Fulham

Saturday 17 October

Chelsea v Southampton Crystal Palace v Brighton Everton v Liverpool Leeds United v Wolves Leicester City v Aston Villa Man City v Arsenal Newcastle United v Man Utd Sheffield United v Fulham Spurs v West Ham West Brom v Burnley

Saturday 24 October

Arsenal v Leicester City Aston Villa v Leeds United Brighton v West Brom Burnley v Spurs Fulham v Crystal Palace Liverpool v Sheffield United Man Utd v Chelsea Southampton v Everton West Ham v Man City Wolves v Newcastle United

Saturday 31 October

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Saturday 7 November Arsenal v Aston Villa Brighton v Burnley Chelsea v Sheffield United Crystal Palace v Leeds United Everton v Man Utd Leicester City v Wolves Man City v Liverpool Southampton v Newcastle United

West Brom v Spurs West Ham v Fulham

Saturday 21 November Aston Villa v Brighton

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Saturday 28 November

Arsenal v Wolves Brighton v Liverpool Chelsea v Spurs Crystal Palace v Newcastle United Everton v Leeds United Leicester City v Fulham Man City v Burnley Southampton v Man Utd West Brom v Sheffield United West Ham v Aston Villa

Saturday 5 December

Aston Villa v Newcastle United Brighton v Southampton Burnley v Everton Chelsea v Leeds United Liverpool v Wolves Man City v Fulham Sheffield United v Leicester City Spurs v Arsenal West Brom v Crystal Palace West Ham v Man Utd

Saturday 12 December

Arsenal v Burnley Crystal Palace v Spurs Everton v Chelsea Fulham v Liverpool Leeds United v West Ham Leicester City v Brighton Man Utd v Man City Newcastle United v West Brom Southampton v Sheffield United Wolves v Aston Villa

Tuesday 15 December

Arsenal v Southampton Aston Villa v Burnley Fulham v Brighton Leeds United v Newcastle United Leicester City v Everton Sheffield United v Man Utd West Ham v Crystal Palace Wolves v Chelsea

Wednesday 16 December Liverpool v Spurs Man City v West Brom

Saturday 19 December Brighton v Sheffield United

Burnley v Wolves Chelsea v West Ham Crystal Palace v Liverpool Everton v Arsenal Man Utd v Leeds United Newcastle United v Fulham Southampton v Man City Spurs v Leicester City West Brom v Aston Villa

Saturday 26 December Arsenal v Chelsea Aston Villa v Crystal Palace Fulham v Southampton



Leeds United v Burnley Leicester City v Man Utd Liverpool v West Brom Man City v Newcastle United Sheffield United v Everton West Ham v Brighton Wolves v Spurs

Monday 28 December

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Saturday 2 January

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Saturday 16 January

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Wednesday 27 January

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Saturday 30 January Arsenal v Man Utd Brighton v Spurs Chelsea v Burnley Crystal Palace v Wolves Everton v Newcastle United Leicester City v Leeds United Man City v Sheffield United Southampton v Aston Villa

Premier League Fixtures 2020/2021

West Brom v Fulham West Ham v Liverpool

Tuesday 2 February

Aston Villa v West Ham Burnley v Man City Fulham v Leicester City Leeds United v Everton Sheffield United v West Brom Wolves v Arsenal Man Utd v Southampton

Wednesday 3 February Newcastle United v Crystal Palace Spurs v Chelsea Liverpool v Brighton

Saturday 6 February Aston Villa v Arsenal Burnley v Brighton Fulham v West Ham Leeds United v Crystal Palace Liverpool v Man City Man Utd v Everton Newcastle United v Southampton Sheffield United v Chelsea Spurs v West Brom Wolves v Leicester City

Saturday 13 February Arsenal v Leeds United Brighton v Aston Villa Chelsea v Newcastle United Crystal Palace v Burnley Everton v Fulham Leicester City v Liverpool Man City v Spurs Southampton v Wolves West Brom v Man Utd West Ham v Sheffield United

Saturday 20 February Arsenal v Man City Aston Villa v Leicester City Brighton v Crystal Palace Burnley v West Brom Fulham v Sheffield United Liverpool v Everton Man Utd v Newcastle United Southampton v Chelsea West Ham v Spurs Wolves v Leeds United

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Saturday 13 March Arsenal v Spurs Crystal Palace v West Brom Everton v Burnley Fulham v Man City Leeds United v Chelsea Leicester City v Sheffield United Man Utd v West Ham Newcastle United v Aston Villa Southampton v Brighton Wolves v Liverpool

Saturday 20 March

Brighton v Newcastle United Burnley v Leicester City Crystal Palace v Man Utd Fulham v Leeds United Liverpool v Chelsea Man City v Wolves Sheffield United v Aston Villa Spurs v Southampton West Brom v Everton West Ham v Arsenal

Saturday 3 April

Arsenal v Liverpool Aston Villa v Fulham Chelsea v West Brom Everton v Crystal Palace Leeds United v Sheffield United Leicester City v Man City Man Utd v Brighton Newcastle United v Spurs Southampton v Burnley Wolves v West Ham

Saturday 10 April Brighton v Everton Burnley v Newcastle United Crystal Palace v Chelsea Fulham v Wolves Liverpool v Aston Villa Man City v Leeds United Sheffield United v Arsenal Spurs v Man Utd West Brom v Southampton West Ham v Leicester City

Saturday 17 April Arsenal v Fulham Aston Villa v Man City Chelsea v Brighton Everton v Spurs Leeds United v Liverpool Leicester City v West Brom Man Utd v Burnley Newcastle United v West Ham Southampton v Crystal Palace Wolves v Sheffield United

Saturday 24 April Arsenal v Everton Aston Villa v West Brom Fulham v Spurs Leeds United v Man Utd Leicester City v Crystal Palace Liverpool v Newcastle United Man City v Southampton Sheffield United v Brighton



West Ham v Chelsea Wolves v Burnley

Saturday 1 May

Brighton v Leeds United Burnley v West Ham Chelsea v Fulham Crystal Palace v Man City Everton v Aston Villa Man Utd v Liverpool Newcastle United v Arsenal Southampton v Leicester City Spurs v Sheffield United West Brom v Wolves

Saturday 8 May Arsenal v West Brom Aston Villa v Man Utd Fulham v Burnley Leeds United v Spurs Leicester City v Newcastle United Liverpool v Southampton Man City v Chelsea Sheffield United v Crystal Palace West Ham v Everton Wolves v Brighton

> Tuesday 11 May Brighton v West Ham Burnley v Leeds United Everton v Sheffield United Man Utd v Leicester City West Brom v Liverpool

Wednesday 12 May Chelsea v Arsenal Newcastle United v Man City Southampton v Fulham Spurs v Wolves Crystal Palace v Aston Villa

Saturday 15 May Brighton v Man City Burnley v Liverpool Chelsea v Leicester City Crystal Palace v Arsenal Everton v Wolves Man Utd v Fulham Newcastle United v Sheffield United Southampton v Leeds United Spurs v Aston Villa West Brom v West Ham

Sunday 23 May

Arsenal v Brighton Aston Villa v Chelsea Fulham v Newcastle United Leeds United v West Brom Leicester City v Spurs Liverpool v Crystal Palace Man City v Everton Sheffield United v Burnley West Ham v Southampton Wolves v Manchester United

These Fixtures are Subject to Change Times Cannot Reliably be Printed as They are Dependent on Television Coverage

Armchair Supporters View by Nick Stevens

St Helena Football Association Results and Fixtures

Unfortunately we only saw two local Football matches in the senior league last weekend due to the bad weather. The two matches we saw were two very entertaining games. The first match saw Lakers defeat the Axis 1 nil with the only goal of the match coming from the head of Jordan Yon. Selwyn Stroud picks up the man of the match award and Christo Crowie was named young player of the match.

The second match on Saturday saw the Rovers go down to their second defeat in two games as they loss 2 v 1 to the Harts.

Harts went 1 nil up after Sean Lee scored from the rebound after his penalty was saved by Rovers keeper Keith Yon.

Rovers equalised through Rico Benjamin and press for the winner for most of the second half but found the Harts who were marshal by the captain and man of the match Mike-e Williams hard to break down.

Harts scored the winner when Sean Lee race clear of the Rovers defence and despite the efforts of the Rovers defender Duncan and keeper Yon he fired the ball into the net. Joey Thomas was named young player of the match. This was a great game to watch.

Fixtures:

Sat 19th Sept 1pm Lakers v Bellboys Referee: Harts 3pm Crystal Rangers v Rovers Referee: Wirebirds

Sun 20th Sept

1pm Harts v Saints 3pm Wirebirds v Axis Referee: Crystal Rangers Referee: Rovers

<u>SHFA 2020 League Table</u>



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Place	Games	Wins	Draw	Lost	GF	GA	GD	Points
Rovers	10	7	1	2	70	5	65	22
Wirebirds	10	7	1	2	56	16	40	22
Lakers	11	6	2	3	59	19	40	19*
Bellboys	9	5	3	1	60	10	50	18
Axis	10	5	1	4	34	17	17	16
Harts	11	5	0	6	45	17	28	15
Saints	9	1	0	8	14	64	-48	3
C Rangers	10	0	0	10	3	193	-190	0

* = one point deducted for not providing a referee.

Junior Football Results 12/13th September 2020

Sat 12th September

Predators 13 v Blue Arrows 0 G/S Predators: Hugo Richards 2; 1 own goal, Riley Yon 7, Levi Williams 1, Tyler Anthony 1 & Lebron George 1 POM: Riley Yon, Lebron George, Darshan Patel & Finley McMonegal

Sunday 14th September

Predators 25 v Super Strikers 0 G/S Predators: Riley Yon 12, Tyler Anthony 2, Hugo Richards 4, Levi Williams 4, Lebron George 2 & 1 own goal POM: Riley Yon & Nathan Thomas

Ranglers 3 v Blue Arrows 2

G/S Ranglers: Dirk Peters 1, 1 own goal & Laine George 1 G/S Blue Arrows: 1 own Goal & Finely McMonegal 1 POM: Aiden O'Dean & Finley McMonegal

Gladiators 3 v Fugees 2 G/S Gladiators: Taye Peters 1; Jacob Williams 1 & Kenon Bargo 1 G/S Fugees: Blake Peters 2 POM: Kenon Bargo & Blake Peters

Galacticos 8 v Allstars 3 G/S Galacticos: Tyrone Cansick 3; Jolan Henry 3, Aiden Plato 1 & Callum Young 1 G/S Allstars: Toure Osborne 1, Jet Lee Yon 1 & Blaze Baldwin 1

POM: Jolan Henry & Blaze Baldwin

Junior League Fixtures

Sat 19th Sept

9.15am	Primary 6-11 Yellow Devils v Predators				
	Ref: Nick Stevens				
10am	Primary 6-11 Super Strikers v Blue Arrows				

 9.15am 11-15 Rastabouts v Allstars Ref: Gareth Johnson
10am 11-15 Galacticos v Fugees

Ref: Owen Richards



Thank You

St Matthew's Parish Council, would like to say a very big thankyou to all those persons who so generously gave donations to our Fete', which took place in St Mark's Hall on Saturday 19 September, 2020,

The amount raised were £794.00, which will go towards St Matthew's Parish Fund.

Armchair Supporters View by Nick Stevens

Position	Name	Team	Goals Scored
1	RileyYon	Predators	48
2	Harry Winfield	Yellow Devils	41
3	Aden Thomas-Stevens	Yellow Devils	31
4	Hugo Richards	Predators	14
5	Zac Francis	Yellow Devils	13
6	Lebron George	Predators	13
7	Ryan Stevens	Yellow Devils	13
8	Dirk Peters	Ranglers	12
9	Tyler Anthony	Predators	10
10	Levi Williams	Predators	6
11	ZiggyYon	Ranglers	4
12	Dillon George	Blue Arrows	3
13	Edward	Predators	3
14	Liam Timm	Blue Arrows	3
15	Joel Peters	Superstrikers	2
16	Finley McMonegal	Blue Arrows	2
17	Laine George	Ranglers	2
18	Efron Stroud	Yellow Devils	1
19	Daniel Murangaawe	Blue Arrows	1
20	Darshan Patel	Blue Arrows	1
21	Joshua Crowie	Superstrikers	1
22	Kirk Grant-Lawrence	Ranglers	1
23	Kylan Williams	Ranglers	1
24	Kyle Williams	Ranglers	1
25	Robertson Shawnga	Blue Arrows	1
26	Zian Thomas	Ranglers	1

osition	Name	Team	Goals Scored	
1	Taylon Phillips	Rastabouts	18	
2	Blake Peters	Fugees	14	
3	Lars Williams	Fugees	13	
4	Musa	Galacticos	10	
5	Blaze Baldwin	Allstars	10	
6	Macoy Williams	Rastabouts	8	
7	Kenon Bargo	Gladiators	8	
8	Toure Osborne	Allstars	7	
9	Tyrone Cansick	Galacticos	7	
10	Dodi Williams	Fugees	6	
11	Jaydee Caswell	Gladiators	6	
12	Taye Peters	Gladiators	6	
13	Jolan Henry	Galacticos	4	
14	Eureeze Peters	Allstars	2	
15	Kieran Williams	Rastabouts	2	
16	Shaquille Benjamin	Rastabouts	2	
17	Stefan O'Dean	Rastabouts	2	
18	Tyreese Osborne	Allstars	2	
19	CallumYoung	Galacticos	2	
20	Jacob Williams	Gladiators	2	
21	Annika Lawrence	Galacticos	1	
22	Dominic Richards	Fugees	1	
23	Jerome Peters	Rastabouts	1	
24	Renae Coleman	Gladiators	1	
25	Aiden Plato	Galacticos	1	
26	Jet Lee Yon	Allstars	1	



Golf Report for Sunday 13th September 2020

Fourteen golfers turned up last Sunday to take part in the Greensome Stroke play competition where each player had to choose a partner. Three eighths of the combined handicap was applied. Team Larry Legg and John Colclough playing off 8 handicap emerged winners with 6 strokes lead net 64 followed in second place by team Norman Thomas and Neil Joshua with net 70. In the two-ball pool Mr Larry Legg and Mr John Colclough shared the balls. Prizes were presented by the ladies' captain Mrs Helena Stevens. Congratulations to the winners.



Next Sunday's competition which was initially scheduled as a Captain Versus Vice Captain competition is now changed to a medal ford competition due to the unavailability of the Vice-Captain who will be leaving the island on Friday for a short holiday. Tee off 12:00. Registration closes on Saturday 19th September at 15:00.

Happy swinging.....! Contributed by: SHGC

> ST.HELENA GOLF CLUB



RESULTS						
DATE: 7 th . September:						
Extractors - 469			Bt	Super Shots - 382		
Lady's H Sc	Kimmie THOMAS	64		Auriel WILLIAMS	53	
Gent's H Sc	Deon THOMAS	62		Karl THROWER	40	
Lady's H Sp	Kimmie THOMAS	14		Auriel Williams	9	
Gent's H Sp	Deon THOMAS	14				
DATE: 9th. Septe	ember:					
Guys & Dolls - 497			Bt	Youngstars - 452		
Lady's H Sc	Joan YON	63		Rebecca YOUNG	46	
Gent's H Sc	Gilbert LEGG	66		Brett ISAAC	64	
Lady's H Sp	Olive WILLIAMS	16				
Gent's H Sp	Gilbert LEGG	16		Brett ISAAC	15	
Up-coming fixtures:						
Monday - 21 st September: NEVER READYS V GUYS & DOLLS Wednesday - 23 ^{rd.} September: EXTRACTORS V YOUNGSTARS						

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Combining DFID with the Foreign Office has left important questions still to be answered which could affect St Helena

This week the UK Prime Minister was questioned by a House of Commons scrutiny committee which is made up of chairpersons from other scrutiny committees. Called the Liaison Committee it is the Big Daddy of all the scrutiny committees. The Prime Minister was asked if he was considering changing the 2002 International Development Act - the cornerstone in the range of legislation which supports the UK's massive foreign aid programme. The Prime Minister did not say yes and didn't say no. "I'll have to reserve my position on amending the Act", is what he said. For some years Boris Johnson has had his eye on the £ billions in the UK foreign aid budget and has firm views on how it could be spent overseas in developing countries to the better benefit of UK. With increasing pressure on the UK Government budget because of the coronavirus pandemic and no sign yet showing when this pressure will end it is thought by many that it is just a matter of time until Johnson makes big changes to the current aid spending and development policy. The chair of the International Development Committee (IDC) the committee which used to scrutinise DFID spending and policy was one of the Prime Minister's questioners. The IDC remains for the time being the main and most influential scru-

People in UK can get government information we can't

In the UK there is a proper Freedom of Information Act. This means it is possible to obtain information on the St Helena Government in the UK which is not available here. This month a UK resident received an answer to a Freedom of Information request from the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office (FCDO) on the cost of keeping a Governor in St Helena also the Governor's office together with salaries, travel expenses, allowances and the upkeep of Plantation House. The cost of accompanying dependents was also included in the request.

The information was of interest because of recent and possible future changes including DFID and the Foreign and Commonwealth Office combining into one government department and the current discussions in St Helena following the Sarkin reports.

The FCDO replied saying the most recent figures available are for 2018-19 and therefore cover the period when Lisa Honan was governor. The UK Government funded Governor Honan and her organisation to the tune of £375,000 in that year. Only the total amount is given by the Information Rights Unit at the Foreign and Commonwealth Office; itemised expenditure showing how much it costs to maintain Plantation House or how much is spent on travel is not given.

SHG's Corporate Services budget puts a figure of £153,000 against the Governor's Office and residence. Again, no detail is given and the money in the SHG budget may or may not be already included in the figure totalled up by FCDO. By contrast, the SHG budget for 'supporting' Executive and Legislative Councils is more than twice as much at £321,000. Councillors expenses are budgeted separately and total £219,000 for the current financial year. Other bits of money related to the cost of councillors appear in other budgets, tinising forum on UK Aid; but its future is in doubt. Parliament will be voting soon on whether the IDC should remain in existence now that Boris Johnson has combined DFID with the Foreign and Commonwealth Office. The Prime Minister wrote to the chair of the IDC soon after announcing that DFID and FCO are to merge, telling her that her committee is to be dissolved. Johnson exceeded his powers. The UK Government has no power to dissolve Parliament's scrutinising committees; decisions of that sort are made by a vote in Parliament. Should the vote go against the IDC, future arrangements for scrutinising the direction and effectiveness of UK Aid remain uncertain.

The continuing and increasing financial and economic pressures on the UK Government because of the pandemic and the UK Prime Minister's manoeuvring, which precedes the pandemic, to change the emphasis of UK Aid to more directly benefit Britain may well have a direct and possibly unwelcome effect on St Helena. The likelihood of this becomes ever stronger the longer the pandemic takes hold and longer Boris Johnson remains Prime Minister.

such as £17,000 for committee expenses. The Commonwealth Parliamentary Association (a club for councillors) takes a further £16,000 from the government budget. The full cost of keeping councillors employed in a committee system that does not work is difficult to identify – but it is an enormous amount of money.

Multi Raffle Results

St Matthew's Ladies Guild would like to thank all who attended their Coffee morning on Monday 31 August, 2020, and also to those persons who bought and sold tickets for the Multi Raffle. The total amount raised was (£547.00) Winners of the Multi Raffle were as follows:

Food Hamper						
Shirley Thomas (Bottom Woods) Sheet 5			Ticket No 16			
Vegetable Hamper						
Fred M Crowie (Backfield)	"	11	**	10		
Cake						
George Johnson (Deadwood)	"	11	**	14		
Electric Kettle						
Alison Curran	"	18	**	10		
Bottle of Wine						
Linda Cranfield	"	20	"	10		
Boiled Pudding						
Keith Hopkins (Bryant's Beacon)	"	4	66	11		
Swiss Roll						
Leslie Benjamin	"	23	66	19		

An apology from Mrs Joan Thomas –

The electric frying pan, which was originally one of the Raffle Prizes, was found faulty. It was replaced with an electric kettle by a kind lady.

Education Committee Goes BIG on Policy

The summary of the August meeting of the Education Committee was published one month later. This may be due to the lack of interest in what the council committees talk about. Or maybe it is because there are not many occasions when a summary can include something meaningful that has actually been achieved.

The word 'policy' is mentioned eleven times in the summary of the Education Committee meeting. First, the Senior Economist volunteered to provide policy support to the Committee on issues relating to employment. The Education Committee is now called the Education and Employment Committee. Presumably the name change is to show an outward appearance of being aligned to the Education and Employment Directorate. After agreeing to have Employment added to the name of the committee it seems the committee members decided they had better know something about it. The Chief Secretary was pulled in to tell the committee members what it is they have to do about 'this employment thing'. The Chief Secretary must have drawn on her previous experience as a head teacher at Prince Andrew School as she gave the boys and girls on the education committee a lesson in what good employment governance is all about. According to the report only the Chief Secretary's colleague, the Education Director, had any questions at the end of the lesson.

In a better functioning system of governance the chairman of the Education Committee would have been briefed on the employment issues and he in turn would have discussed the changes with the other members of the Committee before the committee meeting. But - we have to keep reminding ourselves, the government system we have is designed NOT to work properly.

Back to Education going BIG on policy; the Education (and Employment) Directorate now has a Register in which all the policies are being listed. That's not quite right. A register is



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being 'developed' which probably means someone is trying to find all the policies and then list them in the register. Perhaps one day someone will get around to reading them.

After noting the ground-breaking initiative and innovation manifest in a register to list all the policies, the Education (and Employment) Committee turned its expert and analytical eye to the Homework Policy. There are also Homework Guidelines it seems. The Homework Policy explains what homework is and why it exists. Somebody is having a joke, surely! The policy then goes on to dither about what to do when a schoolchild comes to school with homework not done; a mention of 'sample letters' follows. This brings to mind vivid imagery of a teacher needing to be told how to write a letter so the miscreant child's parents can be asked, in writing, to make sure their child does the homework set. How about keeping the child back after school to complete the homework?

After that there was talk about the Anti-Bullying Policy. Education committee members asked if the front page of the Anti-Bullying Policy could have the same design as all the others policies. This request was probably made to help the person who is looking for all the policies to put them in a register; if they all look the same they can be recognised quicker. Onward the discussion continued to the Student Council Policy. he kids want to cut down the number of representatives on the Student Council to make it a more effective body. The kids are good! The best idea for Council Committees is to cut down the number of people on them in the hope there will be less talk and more action. There is also the School Behaviour Policy which sounds really weird to straightforward, simpleminded folk. Don't schools have RULES anymore?

The only decision recorded in the summary report of this Education Committee meeting was that the school kids at Prince Andrew School agreed that a flat rate allowance as part of the Apprenticeship Scheme would be acceptable if it meant more students would benefit from an allowance. Good decision. All we need now is two more policies; one on how to spend the allowance and the other on the identity, status and perception of apprentices in modern society.

Message From the Director of Health

Unfortunately I have to leave Saint Helena urgently to be with my wife Wendy, who suffered an illness in Australia. Wendy returned to Australia in March, for the birth of Izzy our first granddaughter. Wendy was then locked down due to COVID-19 and was therefore unable to return to Saint Helena. Both Wendy and I love Saint Helena and its people and she is devastated that she is not well enough to travel at this time. I rekindled my friendship after 61 years with my old school friend, Nick Thorpe, who I was surprised to find here on the island. Nick and Lolly and extended family welcomed me and Wendy. Nick and I will remain in contact. Wendy misses Gail Thorpe and other women friends on this island and she will keep in touch.

I also want to publicly thank my health staff who do an amazing job in providing care to the community. I will miss them. Wendy and I have met friendly people on Saint Helena and we are determined to return.

I thank you for your kindness and friendship. Edward Rayment (Ted)

St. Helena, UK, "A GLOBAL CALL TO ACTION" Facebook Group Page

"A Global Call to Action" to our Saint sisters and brothers, Afro-descendants, colleagues, Members of UK Parliament, US Representatives & allies, UN Slavery Remembrance, artists, writers, journalists, scholars, historians, UNESCO, the Duke and Duchess of Sussex, preservationists & cultural stakeholders worldwide.

This is an urgent appeal for your allyship in advocating for the protection of St. Helena's African Burial Ground and Cultural Heritage Sites. This uniquely significant historic site is believed to be the largest final resting place of Africans taken from ships traveling the slave trade route of the notorious trans-Atlantic Middle Passage.

The enslaved African captives who survived and were "liberated" were housed in an encampment on the remote island of St. Helena located in the South Atlantic between South African and South America. It was the former provisioning station and headquarters for the British East India Company.

The threat to this site is real. Through this FB group, we hope you will learn more about the island's significance to Afro-descendants of the slave trade, and the rich cultural Saint heritage on the island. Tragically, tangible and intangible historic and cultural resources have been eroded over the decades. A port development project in Rupert's Valley has been approved but reportedly without sufficient community engagement, nor adherence to best practices custom-



arily afforded rare cultural sites bearing such international significance.

Authorities will advance a project design slated to adversely impact community access to cultural spaces, and further, desecrate rendering insignificant, the memory of thousands buried in Rupert's Valley, the horrific impact of the slave trade and Middle Passage, and the opportunity to realize a worldclass memorial remembering the millions lost.

Please help GROW THIS GLOBAL MOVEMENT via this FB group page by spreading awareness and inviting cultural allies to join worldwide. Petition your Member of Parliament, United Nations member, and US representatives to support a world-class Memorial and Interpretive Center and the respectful reburial and international ceremony for 325 human remains. You are invited to contribute FB posts with expressions of support through art, writing, reflections. Here's hoping you'll join us in getting into some "good trouble".....

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