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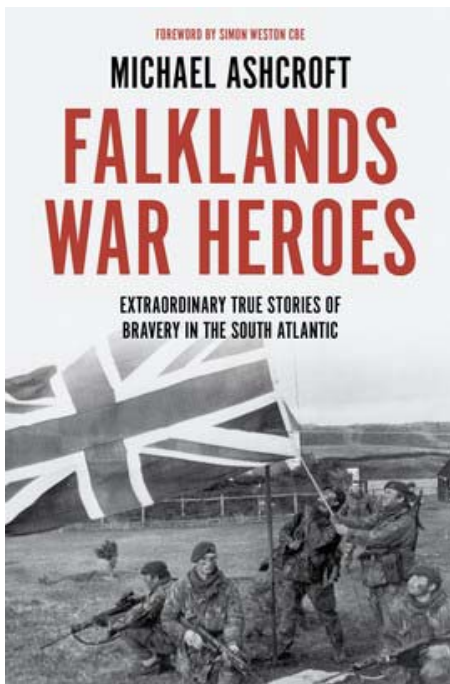
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## ***Fascinated by Bravery - New Book about the Falklands War Heroes***

A book written by Michael Ashcroft, published this month, marks the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Falklands War. The book draws attention to the many acts of outstanding courage by the UK Armed Forces after a strong Task Force was sent to regain the islands from the Argentine invaders. Soldiers, sailors and airmen risked, and in some cases gave, their lives for the freedom of 1,820 islanders. Fought 8,000 miles from home soil, it cost the lives of 255 British military personnel, with many more wounded.



Falklands War Heroes tells the stories behind Lord Ashcroft's collection of valour and service medals awarded for the Falklands War. The collection, almost certainly the largest of its kind in the world, spans all the major events of the war. Lord Ashcroft, who has been fascinated by bravery since he was a young boy, has amassed several medal collections over the past four decades, including the world's largest collection of Victoria Crosses, Britain and the Commonwealth's most prestigious gallantry award.

One such story is about Sergeant Ian McKay of the 3<sup>rd</sup> Paratroop Regiment who fought and died at the Battle of Mount Longdon; one of the Argentine strongholds between British troops and Stanley. After nine days of reconnaissance and skirmishes to test the strength of the enemy's position 3<sup>rd</sup>

Paratroop Regiment launched an assault on Mount Longdon on 11<sup>th</sup> June 1982. The fighting continued into the following day. At the same time the Battle of Two Sisters and the Battle of Mount Harriet were being fought by the Royal Marines in the final push to regain control of Stanley. The Battle of Mount Tumble-down and the Battle of Wireless Ridge followed immediately after.

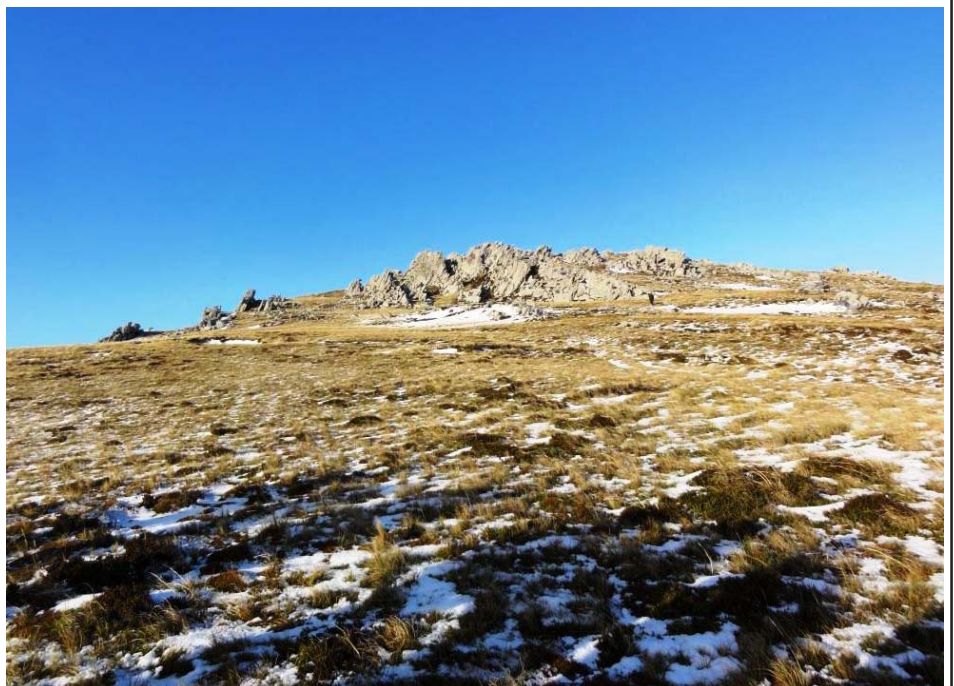
At Mount Longdon Sergeant Ian McKay was in a platoon of 28 men that gained ground in the Brigade size assault on the ridge which forms Mount Longdon. The platoon was then ordered to clear the northern side of the ridge of enemy troops. Taking Sergeant McKay, a corporal and a few others, and covered by supporting machine-gun fire, the platoon commander moved forward to reconnoitre the enemy positions but was hit by a bullet in the leg, and command devolved upon Sergeant McKay. It was clear that instant action was needed if the advance was not to falter with increasing casualties. Sergeant McKay decided to convert this reconnaissance into an attack in order to eliminate the enemy positions. Taking three men with him, he broke cover and charged the enemy position. The assault was met by a hail of fire. The corporal was seriously wounded, a private killed and another wounded. Despite these losses, Sergeant McKay, with complete disregard for his own safety, continued to charge the enemy position alone.

On reaching it, he despatched the enemy with grenades, thereby relieving the position of beleaguered 4 and 5 Platoons, who were able to redeploy with relative safety. Sergeant McKay, however, was killed at the moment of victory. Mrs McKay said she knew little about her husband's astounding bravery until four months after his death, when news of his posthumous Victoria Cross was announced. Ian McKay received the last Victoria Cross to be awarded on the 20<sup>th</sup> century.



***Sergeant Ian McKay VC***

***A soldier's view of the heavily protected enemy positions before the Battle of Mount Longdon***



# Gareth Drabble in Equiano Cable Related Research

Vince Thompson

A researcher from the University of Manchester is presently on the Island to work on a project running as part of the installation of the Equiano undersea cable, which will bring high-speed internet access to St Helena when activated in March next year.

Dr. Drew Whitworth, of the Manchester Institute of Education, teaches on the MA: Digital Technologies, Communication and Education programme, and in 2020-21 had as his student Gareth Drabble, of Prince Andrew School. "My research has long been focused on how individuals and communities learn to make best use of the information and technologies that are available to them," said Drew. "When I met Gareth and heard from him about the significant change that is coming to St Helena's information infrastructure, it seemed like a great opportunity to study this as it was taking place – and also to use the results of the research to help all Saints learn about how the cable will impact on their work and their everyday lives, for better or worse."



During Gareth's studies at Manchester he and Drew collaborated on a bid to the St Helena Research Institute for funding to cover the cost of Drew visiting the Island. The current visit is concerned with how Saints currently make use of online resources whether for education, business or health, what they think are the main barriers faced in accessing and making best use of them, and what are their hopes and concerns for the future broadband environment.

Drew will then return in June next year and, hopefully, again in 2023 to assess how things actually pan out, as well as developing teaching materials and training sessions for local teachers and business people amongst others. Interviews will be done with key local contacts as well as concept mapping sessions being so far confirmed to take place with pupils at Pilling School, members of the Chamber of Commerce and local health and social care workers. Other schools, organisations and businesses are also being pursued to take part in these sessions.

Gareth said: "When I first saw the research competition advertised by the St. Helena research institute I was immediately drawn to it. Firstly because some of the goals set out by the SHRI for the research, namely to understand how educational achievement changes when students gain access to unlimited internet, as well as understanding how the changes in connectivity to households and businesses will impact the socio-economic conditions and business opportunities on the Island, was directly linked to content being taught in my Master's course at the time. Secondly because, as a secondary school ICT and Computer Science teacher I know the obstacles I face when teaching my subjects with limited internet bandwidth at Prince Andrew School. Hence I know the enormous positive impact that unlimited, fibre-optic broadband should have on education and the many other sectors on the Island. It will, in my opinion, unlock many doors for us and ultimately bridge the digital divide once and for all.

Whilst finalising my dissertation project for my Master's degree in June this year, I took the opportunity to both gather data for the dissertation itself as well as for the pilot study for this SHRI research. Using the special Ketso concept mapping kit, I was able to complete sessions with a group of teacher trainees, two groups of students and a group of teachers at Prince Andrew School. These sessions garnered some interesting and important findings that identified the most prominent information sources used by these groups, as well as the barriers preventing them from fully exploiting these or other sources. These Ketso sessions

also revealed the new opportunities that these groups envisaged will be provided by the new fibre optic internet connection. It will be interesting to see if these findings will draw parallels with the Ketso sessions planned with other organisations and businesses on the Island in the coming weeks".



Figure 1 - A Ketso Session in progress



Figure 2 - A completed Ketso Concept Map showing currently used information sources, barriers to accessing these sources and possible future opportunities provided via fibre optic internet, written on 'leaves' and placed on relevant branches

"Having lived through St. Helena's dial-up internet, into the current broadband system and the subsequent introduction of mobile phones and mobile internet, I eagerly look forward to what the future will bring when the new fibre-optic connection goes live. It is the next step in our digital evolution".

In addition, whilst on Island, as a keen fan of grassroots football Drew says he is also looking forward to attending the games in the knockout competition over the next two weekends, once he is out of quarantine. ÒI was in Anglesey in 2019 for the Island Games along with the St Helena team. I remember being impressed that the team had travelled so far – now I know how that journey feels the other way around..."





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# Editorial

This week the usual rhythm of daily life missed a beat or two when ripples of confusion and puzzlement radiated from the Castle. Suddenly the open session of Executive Council was closed; the public that was present had to leave the council chamber. What happened and why requires a complicated explanation. If you want the full picture you can turn to page 6 for the report on this incident. The short version is that it is not a pretty sight to see ministers in any government arguing in public. Government ministers should present a united front and give every impression they are all pushing the same boulder up the same hill. For this reason many Commonwealth countries follow the principle of 'collective responsibility' to avoid embarrassing public feuds among ministers. Following this principle means the ministers get together to 'wash their dirty linen' in private. When differences of opinion are settled and a decision is made the ministers leave their private room – often known as a cabinet – and present a united and agreeable front to the public. Despite the doubts and reservations about collective responsibility meaning ministers meet privately we all know where we stand with the government when new policies or legislation are proposed. Ministers will often meet in private anyway, it has to be done.

What does not need to happen is to ask people to leave a public meeting because ministers are going to discuss a development application before they reach a decision on it. There are two reasons for this, maybe three. First, it is not unknown for the principle of collective responsibility to be suspended in certain, well defined situations. Secondly, development applications are not political issues, discussion is based on whether the development application complies with the prevailing law, plans, policies and guidance. Any slight difference of opinion on the merits of a development application is not going to lead to a headline in the *Independent* about a split or rift in government. Yes, there is a third reason. It has not always been the case that decisions on development applications are made in public; nor that all documents connected with all development applications are open to public inspection upon request. St Helena law is traditionally related to UK law. Public access to development decisions and the related documents started to gain momentum in the 1980s. Part of the reason for this is the enormous corruption scandals that rocked the UK in the 1970s when some developers, architects, councillors and officials teamed up to get thick wedges of cash stuffed into their back pockets. Shining the light of public scrutiny into the dark corners of decision-making is the best way to combat corruption. Now, development authorities in the UK put just about everything on-line that's connected with development and development applications. If St Helena starts going in the opposite direction it will not look good, and there are times when perception is everything.

The UK Government announced on Monday that the first so called 'real-world' study in the UK has shown the Pfizer-

BioNTech vaccine booster dose in those aged 50 and above is 93.1% effective in people who have been double vaccinated with AstraZeneca. It takes 2 weeks after the booster jab for the body for the body to reach this level of resistance to coronavirus symptomatic infection.

The UK Overseas Territories Joint Ministerial Council (JMC) was held in London on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. For the first time St Helena had a minister to attend the ministerial council. Julie Thomas used an audio visual link to connect with the JMC. The official report of the JMC welcomed newly elected leaders from the Cayman Islands, Falkland Islands, St Helena and the Turks and Caicos Islands and mentioned that St Helena has a new form of ministerial government. The JMC is the annual 'big get together' when UK Overseas Territory leaders meet with UK ministers to discuss the big issues for the year. Or, as the official report puts it, "The JMC is the highest forum for political dialogue and consultation between UK and elected leaders and representatives of the Overseas Territories for the purposes of providing leadership and promoting cooperation in areas of mutual interest." The Duke of Cambridge was also present and gave a closing speech.

The JMC discussed climate change, environment and oceans, the successful outcome of the international Maritime Organisation audit of capability and resources to comply with international obligations, economic resilience, law enforcement, health and inclusivity.

The official report states the economic resilience discussion included the agreement that UKOTs will use all of its own financial resources before asking for financial assistance from the UK. The UK will consider requests on a case-by-case basis, meaning it is not to be taken for granted that money will be provided by the UK. However it is repeated that UKOTs have first call on the aid budget. Discussion on Health included ongoing UK assistance with COVID-19 precautions and prevention and "to working together collaboratively to bolster the health services in the Territories through existing and new links with the UK. The Territories welcomed this, particularly the UK's commitment to work with the Territories to access the limited supply of the UK's therapeutics supply (the branch of medicine concerned with the treatment of disease)." Giving a high priority to mental health was also emphasised. The discussion on inclusivity focused on the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child.

In his closing address the Duke of Cambridge said, "You are all on the front line. Your contributions to global emissions are negligible, and yet you face the dire consequences of rising sea levels, changing weather patterns and the destruction of coral reefs. Climate change is threatening the very survival of the territories, your ways of life, and the future of all your people." **Vince**

# A Closer Look

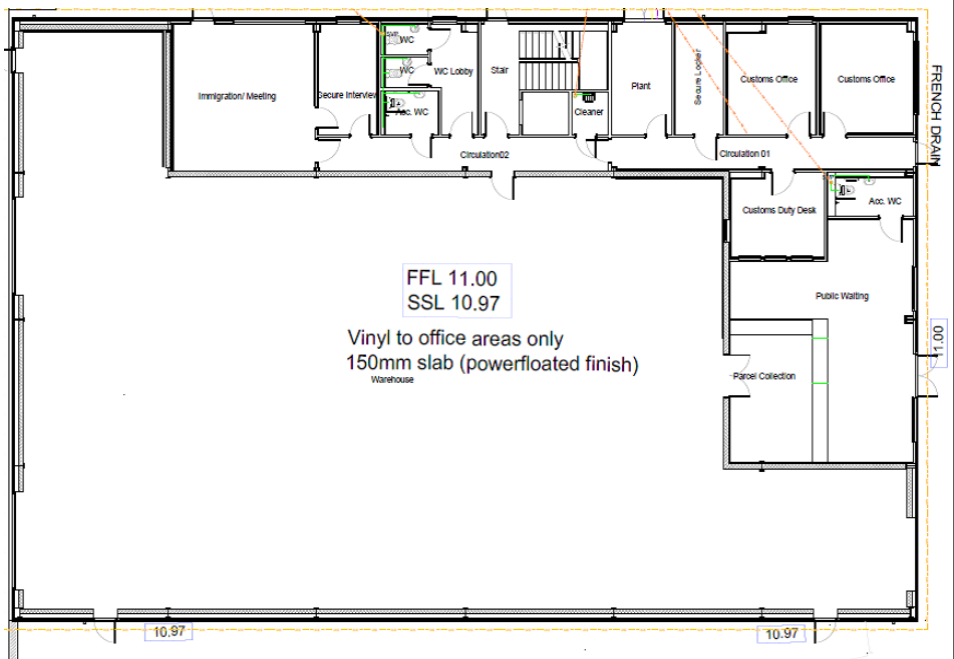
Vince Thompson

Plans for development of the cargo handling areas at Rupert's have already been displayed and explained at public consultation meetings. This week the *Independent* takes a closer look the facilities planned for Richard James International and other importers who arrange imports which go direct to the public. The number of people who import their own cargo, from food to furniture, is significant. If the empty shelves and freezers continue as they have done for the past months the number of people deciding to do their own importing of purchases for personal use is likely to increase.

The plan shown above shows a building which is 900 sq metres overall and two storeys high. The largest space is the warehouse where the cargo from Richard James and other similar importers will be placed after being unloaded from containers. The public will enter the building from the entrance shown on the right of the plan. Immediately inside there is a public waiting area. Within the waiting area, immediately in front of the main public entrance is a counter enclosing the parcel collection area. Other facilities leading off from the public waiting area are the Customs Duty Desk, where import duty will be paid before leaving with collected parcels etc and a toilet.

Other rooms, across the top of the plan, include two rooms for HM Customs, two rooms for Immigration, toilets, and a stairway. There is no upper floor in the warehouse area, which will reach from the ground to roof level.

It is expected the public will need to enter the warehouse to identify their own cargo and it is likely HM Customs staff will also be on hand to clear the goods through Customs. The equipment used in the warehouse will be decided by the importers. This may include racks/shelving which can be fitted to roof level if desired. If shelving is fitted beyond a certain height mechanical equipment will need to be used within the warehouse to move the cargo around. If a forklift truck is used, the aisles between the storage shelves will need to be a minimum width to allow the forklift to manoeuvre. Importers will also need to



decide between themselves how they will work together, or separately, within the warehouse.

Immediately outside the main entrance is a loading area and beyond that a car park which can take about 20 cars. It is expected drivers of cars, vans and small trucks will be able to drive from the car park to the loading area to load cargo. Any assistance with getting cargo from the warehouse to the outside loading area or car park, (trolleys for instance), will need to be provided by Richard James and similar importing companies.

The building will be located near to Hay Town House and will not involve entering the restricted cargo handling area. The gates to be erected across the road to restrict access to the cargo handling area are a little further on along the road.

It is clear the companies importing the personal cargo for people in St Helena will need to agree the operational details and organise how the public work within the warehouse, presumably alongside customs staff and their own staff. If it is decided to provide trolleys a collection and return point will need to be decided, steps and other obstructions will need to be avoided and doorways and gangways will need to be wide enough in places for two trolleys to pass. The method of operation for the warehouse will depend to a large extent on the volume of cargo expected to be stored, especially at peak times. If there is insufficient capacity within the warehouse some containers will need to be stored outside and de-stuffed later.

## ST HELENA POLICE REPORT 8-14 NOVEMBER 2021

During the week of Monday, 8, to Sunday, 14 November 2021, St Helena Police dealt with a total of 60 reports, resulting in three arrests.

Three persons were arrested for affray and have now been charged to appear before the Magistrates Court.

Other reports made related to harassment, burglary, cultivating a controlled drug, concern for safety, child abuse, request for Police assistance, neighbour dispute, anti-social behaviour, a domestic incident, road traffic offences, and a person missing from home.

During the week Police proactively carried out a number of community engagements as well as serving summons.

Until next time, have a good week and stay safe.

**SHG, 16 November 2021**

# The Nitty Gritty of Ministerial Government

Vince Thompson

## Open Exco Session Suddenly becomes Closed to the Public

On Monday a few people went along to what was advertised as the open agenda for the Executive Council meeting held that day. There was only one open agenda item; an unknown amount of discussion was scheduled for the closed agenda. When the closed agenda items are about to be discussed, the public are asked to leave.

On Monday things were different. The public attending were asked to leave the council chamber before discussion on the one item on the open agenda had been completed. The public present were reported to be puzzled and confused about what was going on. The ministers say the reason was given for asking the public to leave. Some of the attending public told the *Independent* that no explanation was given.

After Exco members had finished their discussion and made their decision the public were called back into the council chamber and told what decision had been made.

## Why Exclude the Public from Monday's Open Session of Exco

What confused the situation even more was the item under discussion was a development application which had previously been discussed, with the public present, and recommended for approval by the Land Development Control Authority (LDCA). This particular development application

needed the approval of Exco because the development was not completely in line with the development policies which guide the decisions made by the LDCA. Why, when the LDCA had already discussed this development application in detail, in public, did Exco need to have their discussion in private.

The reason has nothing much to do with the development application under discussion. It has more to do with something which came along with ministerial government called *Collective Responsibility*.

Books are written about Collective Responsibility – how it works, why it is needed and how it works best. What follows are a few short sentences explaining what it is all about. It all starts with the fact that for ministers to argue about government policy or legislation in public would be disastrous. A government that fights itself is bound to fail and nobody wants that. To avoid public disputes among ministers the well tried way to avoid it is to have every minister bound by the principle of Collective Responsibility. This means that all major decisions made by government ministers are supported by all ministers who lead the government. Any minister who has reservations about a decision must either keep his or her mouth shut or resign. This is the important bit; discussions among ministers on proposals for important matters of government business are held in private. During these private sessions all ministers will speak freely and can oppose in whole or in part another minister's view. Each minister can say whatever is thought to be constructively necessary in support of any proposal which is on the table for discussion. However, once the decision has been made on whatever the proposal is under discussion, all ministers have to agree to support that decision and work together to present that proposal to other councillors and the public. They will explain the reasons for the proposal, why it is necessary and what benefits are expected from it. All of this supports the view expressed by several councillors that they should all work together.



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## A cartoon showing a meeting where a full and frank exchange of views is underway

On Monday there had been no discussion between ministers before the Exco meeting on the development application which needed to be determined. This being so, the Exco members, all ministers, decided to have the discussion on the

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# ***The Nitty Gritty of Ministerial Government***

***Vince Thompson***

development application in private, in accordance with the execution of the principle of Collective Responsibility. This meant the public had to be asked to wait outside the council chamber while they discussed the application.

## **Will the Public Always be Excluded from Executive Council Meetings**

Some do think it was a bit over-the-top to follow the principle of Collective Responsibility to the absolute final 'letter of the law' on this occasion. Discussions on development applications are usually just friendly chats about the finer details on how the application fits with the Land Development Control Plan and the merits or otherwise of any accompanying Environmental Impact Assessment. Not a subject for peak TV viewing time. However, that was the decision made on Monday but already ways to make the procedure run more smoothly next time are being discussed among the ministers.

Monday's Exco can be seen as a kind of public rehearsal; there is something new about almost everything the ministers are doing right now and, hopefully, practice and a few tweaks here and there will 'make perfect'.

Beyond that, it is possible the importance of Exco will weaken as ministerial government gets bedded down. Exco, or Governor-in-Council as it is also known is needed to fulfil certain requirements of the constitution. But ministerial decision-making may increasingly shift to Cabinet meetings. Cabinet

meetings are meetings of ministers where the major proposals and other important government business is discussed and the Collective Responsibility principle comes into play. The UK, Canada and many other Commonwealth countries use the Cabinet / Collective Responsibility decision-making system.

Important decisions made by ministers need to be announced. If it is new policy or new legislation or changes to any of the existing the proposal will need to be put to Legislative Council and this is where public interest is likely to be much greater than it ever has been.

## **Legislative Council Meetings Could Become Interesting**

Ministers can decide whatever they like, within reason, in Cabinet meetings or in Exco but whatever they decide which involves a change to the existing or a proposal for something new will need to be presented to Legislative Council for approval. There are five ministers and seven councillors who are not ministers. It is possible therefore that ministers can be outvoted by councillors if enough of them decide they do not like what ministers are proposing. The ministers therefore always have to remember they need to win a majority in Legislative Council for whatever they wish to propose. This is one of the ways ministerial power is kept in check. It will be interesting to see how all this develops between now and next April or May. The new government budget for 1<sup>st</sup> April next year should be something to watch closely as it develops.



# **Island Innovation Awards 2021**

## ***Dedicated to Islanders Driving Positive Change***

Island Innovation is an expanding global network gaining increasing influence in connecting islands and rural communities to help make advances and improvements by sharing innovative projects and best practice. A strong focus is on mitigating the effects of climate change.

Nominations for the Island Innovation Awards for 2021 are now being made. Nominations can be made until the 15<sup>th</sup> February deadline. There are 12 categories for nominations; all categories are aimed at promoting exceptional people doing exceptional things for the benefit of small remote islands. Here is a sample of the 12 categories:-

- ❖ Island Innovator Award
- ❖ Sustainable Energy Initiative of the Year
- ❖ Blue Economy Initiative Award
- ❖ Green Finance and Investment Award
- ❖ Innovative Island Research Award
- ❖ Most Transformational Government Sustainability Initiative of the Year

All 12 categories and full details can be found at this link -

<https://islandinnovation.co/island-innovation-awards-2021/>

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If you know someone or an organisation in St Helena, Ascension or Tristan da Cunha which deserves to be considered for one of the 12 awards, advice on how to make a nomination is also available on the link shown.

# RSPB Project Officers Can Get to Cloud Forest Today

Vince Thompson

Sarah Havery, an RSPB Senior Species Recovery Officer and Kirsty Pritchard an RSPB Project Co-ordinator can at last do a full day's work on the Cloud Forest Project now their quarantine is over. Both RSPB officers are here to link up with people in St Helena who are working on the Cloud Forest Project. They will update themselves on progress with the project and assess the work it is aimed to complete before the end of this financial year in March 2022.

The Cloud Forest Project was announced on 5<sup>th</sup> August in a joint statement by the Foreign, Commonwealth and Development Office and the Royal Society for the Protection of Birds (RSPB). Funding of £900,000 for the first financial year was allocated for the five year project. Work is already underway to determine what level of funding will be available for 2022-23 and subsequent years. Despite the funding not being available until five months into the current financial year Sarah and Kirsty are confident all the first year funding will be converted into progress with the project by the end of March next year.



**Sarah, (left) and Kirsty wait out the final days of quarantine. The Cloud Forest they have come to work on is in the background, hidden by cloud.**

The main aim is to increase the area of the cloud forest habitat by 25% (about 10 acres) over five years and boost the water resource for St Helena by 20%. The cloud forest covered 600 hectares (1,482 acres) of the Peaks before St Helena was colonised in 1659. Much of the forest was destroyed over the years, leaving just 16 hectares (less than 40 acres) of forest surviving today. The intention is to create new cloud forest habitat around the remaining cloud forest fragments, along the highest ridges, and in key areas of mist-capture. St Helena's cloud forest is acclaimed as the most important site for wildlife on British soil, with at least 250 species found nowhere else on the planet, including a woodlouse that glows in the dark. This amounts to more than 16% of all UK and UKOT unique wildlife.

It is also estimated that the Peaks are the source of 38% of all St Helena's water supply and during the summers months the cloud forest draws down precipitation from mist and cloud which accounts for most of the island's summer season water supply. A £123,000 research project lasting 26 months, involving Connect St Helena and funded by Darwin Plus provided much of the base information for the current Cloud Forest Project. The Darwin Plus project, which started in April 2016 and finished in June 2018, concluded water supplies can be improved through cloud forest restoration, as mist captured by vegetation in the Peaks provides more water over a year than through normal rainfall. The 2018 report said an added bonus is the increased area of cloud forest habitat where endemic invertebrates and cloud forest flora thrive.

The 2016 project was a collaboration between a range of local and international organisations and this year's Cloud Forest Project is even more a collaborative effort. The Environmental Management Division of SHG is at the centre of things and the RSPB co-ordinates the many aspects and aims of the project. Involvement in what is now becoming an internationally well known project includes Connect St Helena, St Helena National Trust, the St Helena Research Institute and the Habitats and Species Teams in the Terrestrial Conservation Section of ENR&P's Environmental Management Division. In addition to the RSPB, overseas organisations involved with the Cloud Forest Project include Royal Botanic Gardens at Kew, the Centre for Ecology and Hydrology, the Royal Geographical Society, Arctium – an environmental consultancy and other independent experts.

## INVITATION TO TENDER PHASE 3 STREETLIGHT PROJECT

St Helena Government would like to invite suitably experienced contractors to submit tenders for the following contract:

### Phase 3 Streetlight Project

Copies of the tender document can be obtained from:

Miss Tiffany Lawrence

Procurement Officer

Essex House

Jamestown

Telephone No: 22270 or

email: [tiffany.lawrence@sainthelena.gov.sh](mailto:tiffany.lawrence@sainthelena.gov.sh)



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A site visit to view the works will take place on Wednesday, 24 November 2021, at 10am, meeting at the Seafront, near the Swimming Pool, Jamestown.

Should you require any further details, please contact the Roads Inspector, Darren Francis, on telephone: 23640 or email: [roads.inspector@helanta.co.sh](mailto:roads.inspector@helanta.co.sh)

Completed tenders should be placed in the Tender Box at Essex House by 12noon on Thursday, 2 December 2021.

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

**SHG,**  
**18 November 2021**



# **Wilbur Smith fished Tuna in St Helena**

**Vince Thompson/Richard Grainger**

Wilbur Smith wrote 49 novels and sold 140 million books. All his books were bestsellers. He died recently aged 88 after establishing himself as an internationally famous and prominently successful author. Richard Grainger recalls Wilbur Smith's visit to St Helena not long after the publication of his first novel.

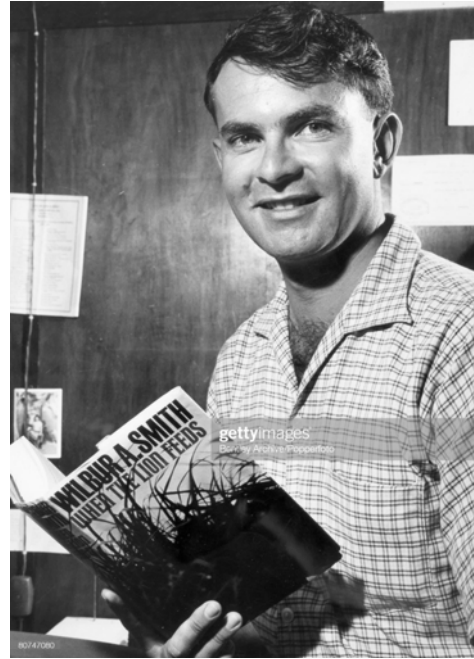
I was sad to hear of the death of Wilbur Smith who had a number of happy visits to the island. His debut novel 'When the lion feeds' was published in 1964 which gave him an increased measure of freedom and time to travel, He was a very keen hunter and fisher and used the time around the mid 1960s to visit St Helena to go fishing for tuna.

Most days he would be up before dawn to go off in a local fishing boat and not arrive back until dusk. It was at this time that he met Hambone, Solomon's boatman, who used to provide a ride from the Wharf to the boats anchored in James Bay. Wilbur immortalised Hambone as a minor character in one of his books.

Despite spending the daylight hours fishing he enjoyed company and partied long into the night and became very friendly with the Musk and Billings families. It is fair to say he enjoyed female company and was especially popular at the Consulate due to his larger-than-life character, his fame and his lifestyle that was so very different from the other residents of St Helena.

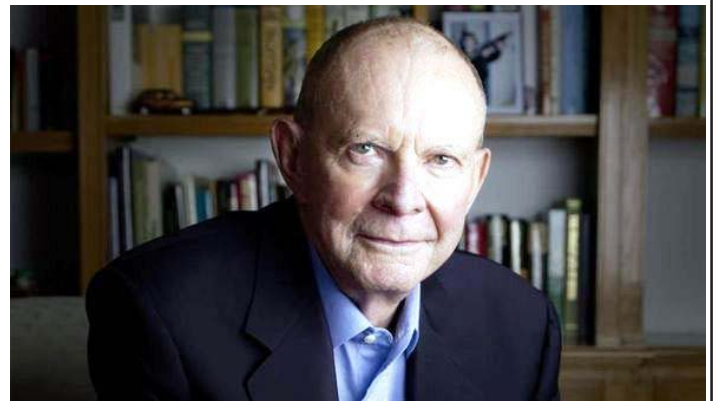
At a time when there was no television it was not unusual to have long evenings talking over a range of subjects of interest at the time. Wilbur brought a range of views and experiences to those talks as he had experience of big game hunting and apartheid which was outside the experience of the rest of us. The discussions were helped for us by Chateau Libertas and Castle beer for the majority of the participants like John Musk, but Ralph Billing, as a dedicated socialist, added a further dimension to our philosophising by drinking Tassenburg and Lion beer. There were really convivial times with Wilbur and our friends.

I have fond memories of Wilbur and looked forward to a new exciting edition to remind me of our younger days on the is-



**Wilbur Smith, as Richard Grainger knew him, promoting his first novel. He was born in Zambia and lived most of his life in South Africa. He died in Cape Town on 13th November**

land with its very different ambience when compared to the present. He will be missed.



**Wilbur Smith in later life**

## **Former RMS on World News**

The former RMS St Helena featured on the BBC World News TV channel recently when the Extreme E motor racing organisation staged their Island X Prix in Sardinia. The central role the former RMS has in transporting all the cars and equipment to the racing venues used for the X Prix series of races was explained in the news item. Also highlighted was the environmental and global warming awareness campaigns Extreme E organise as they visit different parts of the world to race electric powered SUVs.



# CONSTITUENCY MEETINGS

The public is invited to attend the first round of constituency meetings with the newly elected Legislative Council. These meetings are an opportunity for you to meet with your Councillors and raise any issues you might have. You are encouraged to attend the meeting in your district.

**Constituency meetings will take place at 7pm as follows:**

Date	Venue
Monday, 22 November	Guinea Grass Community Centre
Tuesday, 23 November	Silver Hill Bar, Levelwood
Wednesday, 24 November	St Mary's Church, Briars
Thursday, 25 November	Sandy Bay Community Centre
Monday, 29 November	Kingshurst Community Centre
Tuesday, 30 November	Jamestown Community Centre
Wednesday, 1 December	Harford Community Centre
Monday, 6 December (TBC)	Half Tree Hollow Community Centre
Wednesday, 8 December	St Michael's Church, Ruperts
Thursday, 9 December (provisional)	Blue Hill Community Centre

The public is advised of the contact details for the Councillor representing each district. Constituents are encouraged to contact the Councillor representing their district but can choose to contact a Councillor allocated to a different area if they so wish.

District	Councillor	Telephone Number	Email address
Longwood	Cllr Rosemary Bargo	23663	<a href="mailto:councillor.rbargo@helanta.co.sh">councillor.rbargo@helanta.co.sh</a>
Jamestown	Cllr Gillian Brooks	23505	<a href="mailto:councillor.gbrooks@helanta.co.sh">councillor.gbrooks@helanta.co.sh</a>
Half Tree Hollow	Cllr Ronald Coleman	24250	<a href="mailto:Ronald.Coleman@helanta.co.sh">Ronald.Coleman@helanta.co.sh</a>
Alarm Forest	Cllr Corinda Essex	22038	<a href="mailto:cs.essex@helanta.co.sh">cs.essex@helanta.co.sh</a>
St Pauls	Cllr Robert Midwinter	51500	<a href="mailto:cllr.midwinter@helanta.co.sh">cllr.midwinter@helanta.co.sh</a>
Levelwood	Cllr Karl Thrower	61720	<a href="mailto:karl.thrower@shgcouncil.com">karl.thrower@shgcouncil.com</a>
Blue Hill and Sandy Bay	Cllr Andrew Turner	23235	<a href="mailto:councillor.aturner@gmail.com">councillor.aturner@gmail.com</a>

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## Vacancy Brew & Chew

*Brew & Chew are looking for a Kitchen Assistant & a Front of House with a positive working attitude and the ability to multitask. Opportunities available are Full, Casual or Part time. Persons also wish to working during the Xmas period are welcome to express their interest now.*

*Experience is desirable but a strong work ethic and reliability is essential as training can be provided. Please contact us to secure a potential new career that will offer genuine performance related rewards.*

*If you are interested and require more details outline the role then please contact Annie on 22933, 23929, FB or [stsensation@gmail.com](mailto:stsensation@gmail.com)*



## Protect your Peaches: Fruit Fly Control

### Home Remedies

There is a lot you can do at home to reduce Medfly

Now that spring is here, it is time to think about protecting your peach trees from Mediterranean Fruit Fly (Medfly). ANRD offers advice on home solutions and options for chemical control.

### Hygiene

Unharvested and untreated fruit trees are a major source of medfly. Remove unwanted trees. Remove and dispose of infested and inedible fruit.

Dispose off by:

- ◆ Boiling and feeding to pigs and chickens
- ◆ Putting in a sealed black bin liner and leave in the sun. The bag will get hot and condensation will kill medfly maggots
- ◆ Bury at least one meter deep



### COVER SPRAYS

#### OPTION 1: Cover Spray Programme

ANRD will apply appropriate insecticides every seven to 10 days for as long as is required (typically four applications)

#### Cost

£1.56 per tree per application + transport @ £3.50 per visit.

#### Example:

Jane has three peach trees. Cost per visit:

Three trees x £1.56 = £4.68

Plus £3.50 for transport = £8.18 per visit

£8.18 x four applications = **£32.72 Total**



### Lure and Kill Traps:

Traps can be made from a plastic bottle or milk carton:

- Drill or punch at least four holes about 6mm in size near the neck of the bottle
- Fill 1/3 full with the bait mix
- Hang from the tree with string or wire around the neck, 1.5m - 2m from the ground
- Place traps in shady areas and no more than 5m apart
- Replace bait liquid weekly



#### Recipe 1:

80g sugar  
1.5g yeast  
920ml water

#### Recipe 2:

5ml of Vanilla essence  
20ml of household ammonia  
1lt of water

### Physical Exclusion

Whole trees or fruits can be protected from medflies. Mosquito netting can be stretched over the trees using scrap polythene pipe as supports.

Individual fruits or whole branches can be protected by making a pocket out of fine gauze or net and securing it around the fruit with string or flax.



### ANRD offer management options for reducing Medfly.

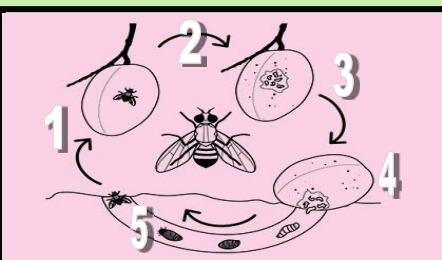
#### Full Cover Spraying

Spraying trees should only be done by trained people. It must be used with other methods of control.

Hygiene is especially important and the spray will not work unless growers take this seriously.

Once the trees are sprayed, a period of time must pass before the fruit is safe to harvest. For most products the period is 10 days. ANRD will inform the grower of the safe period.

Most insecticides are harmful to bees and beneficial predators.



1. Adult medfly lay eggs on ripening fruit
2. Eggs hatch in fruit and larvae feed on flesh.
3. 'Sting' and feeding larvae introduce bacteria. Fruit rots and falls from tree
4. Larvae leave the fruit and enter soil
5. Larvae pupate in the soil. Depending on weather they will hatch within a few weeks and emerge as an adult fly.

### Baits and Traps

#### Baiting:

- ◆ Female flies are attracted to protein that they need to mature their eggs
- ◆ Bait droplets laced with an insecticide to leaves of trees
- ◆ Adult medflies ingest the insecticide and are killed
- ◆ Start treatments at early fruit development. Continue until harvest is completed
- ◆ Bait is applied as course spot spray three to four inches across on the foliage of each tree
- ◆ Depending on the insecticide used harvest interval is four to one days
- ◆ Beneficial predator insects and pollinators are not affected
- ◆ Use a handheld spray bottle (a recycled kitchen cleaner spray bottle is perfect) or flick droplets with a paintbrush
- ◆ Re-apply once a week or after heavy rain
- ◆ Sometimes ripe fruit will be more attractive to flies than bait, and if neighbors are not doing active medfly control then efficacy will be limited.



### BAITING

#### OPTION 2: Cover Spray Programme + Baiting

ANRD will apply appropriate insecticides every seven to 10 days for as long as is required (typically four applications).

#### Cost

£1.56 per tree per application + transport @ £3.50 per visit.

#### Example:

Jane has three peach trees.

Cost (as above): £32.72. Plus 10p per tree Bait = 30p per visit x four visits = £1.20

Total Cost = **£33.92**

#### OPTION 3: Baiting Only

This is a great option to be more pollinator/predator friendly, save money and reduce the harvest interval.

Bait will be applied every week for as long as is required (three to five applications)

#### Cost

10p per tree plus £3.50 per visit for transport

#### Example:

Jane has three peach trees.

Cost per visit = 30p bait + £3.50 = £3.80

Total cost = **£15.20**

## WATER CATCHMENT UPGRADES – HUTTS GATE

The land near the Peaks is the source of much of the Island’s water. Water catchments strategically placed along these hills and valleys harness and collect vital water supplies which is then channelled into the water network for subsequent treatment and distribution.



A typical water catchment

Two water catchments, Middle Wells near Hutts Gate and Upper Legg’s Gut were constructed over 40 years ago and over time and use had deteriorated.



Upper Leggs



Wells

Earlier this year Connect’s Water Section embarked on a project to refurbish these catchments to bring them up to modern standards to optimise on the volume of water that can be collected and transferred for use.

One of the main features was the installation of washouts to assist with cleaning and upgrading of the outlet size, together with some vegetation control measures. A team of Connect staff members working in uneven terrain and at times, adverse weather conditions, tackled Upper Legg’s Gut first ensuring 100% completion within 4 weeks.



Upgrade works in progress at the Upper Leggs water catchment



Completed abstraction chamber



Work has commenced on the Middle Wells water catchment which is now 80% complete with a planned deadline for December 2021.



Connect staff excavating around the catchment



Installation of gabion baskets

16 November 2021





# HOW TO USE TELEPHONE CARD SERVICES



If you are a Local Debit Card holder, you can check your real-time balance, block your card and change your PIN or card security number by calling 25335.

## What do you need to access this service?

It's really quite simple, here's what you need to do:

**Step 1:** Call the Telephone Card Service number: 25335.

**Step 2:** Enter your 16-digit card number, this can be found on the front of your debit card. Press #.

**Step 3:** Enter the first 4 digits of the bank account number linked to your card. Press # (this is the 8-digit number used for your bank account. These can end in 002, 003 etc).

**Step 4:** Enter your date of birth using 2 digits for the day, 2 digits for the month and 4 digits for the year. Press # (e.g. 01/01/1990).

**Step 5:** Enter 3 digits of your card security number using the digit requested (e.g. "please enter digit 2 from your security number"). This is asked in a random order. Press # after every digit.

**What is a security number?** To activate your card you are required to create two 6-digit numbers. One is the PIN Number used to authorise the card payment transaction when purchasing goods; and the second is the security number which is used to confirm your identity when accessing the Bank's call-in helpdesk support and Telephone Card Services. Contact us if you require more information on your security number.

**And you're in!** Feel free to check your balance, block your card, change your PIN or security number over the phone and call back whenever you need to using this 24-hour service.

**Haven't activated your Debit Card yet? Don't worry, you can still use Telephone Card Services to activate your Card.** Simply enter your 16-digit card number found on the front of your card, your full 8-digit bank account number linked to the card (ending in 002, 003 etc) and your date of birth. Following this, you can set your PIN number and security number.

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**Wanted: Full time Chef for Lookout Lodge, Falkland Islands:**

Lookout Lodge is in need of an experienced Chef to join our busy team. You would be working on a shift system and would mainly be tasked with cooking for hotel guests staying at the refurbished 57 room Lookout Lodge, and the neighbouring 48 room Tumbledown Lodge (under construction). In addition to catering for hotel guests you would also spend time on outside catering contracts and buffets.

We are looking for a motivated and adaptable individual with several years catering experience cooking to order. You must be of a calm and organised disposition, and able to take charge of a busy kitchen shift. Hours are based on a 40 hour week, with time and a half paid for overtime. You will work on a rota system which includes evenings and weekends.

For further details of rates of pay, an application form and a job description, please email Head Chef, Stuart Cruickshank on [headchef@thelodges.co.fk](mailto:headchef@thelodges.co.fk)

**Competitive rates of pay, paid annual leave and bonuses are available.  
Fairly priced accommodation in a brand-new flat may be available if required. Flights to the Falklands will be provided.**

**Closing date Tuesday 30th November**

## *Property Auction*



**At 12:00pm December 11, 2021, at Pub Paradise, Longwood**

1. Bar and restaurant with residential accommodation and car park formerly known as Pub Paradise, Longwood. Suitable for commercial or residential development subject to planning permission. Reserve Price £191,250.00
2. Large Residential property in the sort after area of Cleughs Plain with ocean views. 3 bedrooms including master with en-suite, large main bathroom, kitchen, dining room, lounge, garage within large garden. Reserve Price £109,225.00
3. Watertight Residential property at Gordon's Post, Alarm Forrest offers privacy with outstanding views. The property is unfinished 2 bedrooms, large open plan kitchen/diner with toilet and separate bathroom. Reserve Price £83,810.00
4. Partially constructed large residential property in Deadwood with large grounds. The property provides the opportunity to develop a large 3- or 4-bedroom property. Reserve Price £33,575.00

Open days to view the properties start November 2021 along with the sales pack for each property. All successful purchasers at the auction will need to pay a non-refundable 10% deposit on the day for each property purchased with the balance to be paid within 20 working days (no exceptions). Deposit payments can be made by cash, local debit card or bank transfer.

**For further details email Derek Pedley at: [derek@dps.co.sh](mailto:derek@dps.co.sh)**



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## VACANCY

### Environmental Assessment and Monitoring Officer Environment, Natural Resources and Planning Portfolio

*Do you have an interest in protecting St Helena's environment and would you like to contribute to ensuring that projects, policies and activities include an assessment of environmental impacts and ongoing environmental monitoring? An exciting opportunity exists to develop and implement an environmental assessment framework and environmental monitoring systems to support the implementation of the Environmental Protection Ordinance (EPO).*

**Applicants must have the following qualifications and/or equivalent level of experience:**

- First Degree in an Environmental Subject (Environmental Science, Environmental Management, Environmental Assessment, Environmental Monitoring) or relevant professional accreditation (through IEMA, CEnv, NEBOSH), or demonstrable level of achievement through work experience
- Valid Class C drivers licence
- A minimum of 3 years experience in environmental monitoring or compliance monitoring including using specialist monitoring equipment and undertaking data analysis
- A minimum of 3 years experience in undertaking environmental assessments including site based assessments.
- Prior experience in establishing systems and processes.
- A minimum of 2 years experience of working within a statutory framework
- Excellent IT skills including the ability to use specialist software and programmes for data entry and analysis including GIS software

**We offer the following:**

**Salary:** £14,138 per annum  
**Leave:** 30 days per annum  
**Pension:** 15% pension contribution into approved defined contribution pension scheme  
**Paid Sickness Absence**  
**Flexible working hours scheme**

**Further information** about the duties of the post, interested persons should contact:

Miss Isabel Peters, Chief Environmental Officer on telephone number 24724 or email: [Isabel.Peters@sainthelena.gov.sh](mailto:Isabel.Peters@sainthelena.gov.sh)

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## VACANCY

### Environmental Support Officer Environment, Natural Resources and Planning Portfolio

*An exciting opportunity exists to contribute to the protection of our environment through supporting the implementation of the Environmental Protection Ordinance (EPO). Utilising your experience in establishing systems and processes you will contribute to the development and implementation of licensing and permitting systems required by the EPO. You will also collect and collate data and information to support decision making and promote environmental awareness.*

**Applicants should have the following qualifications and/or equivalent level of experience:**

- GCSE's at Grade C or above in Mathematics and English
- NVQ Level 3 in Customer Service and or Business Administration equivalent
- At least 2 years experience in an administrative role preferably in a technical sector
- Prior experience in front-line customer service or has worked in a customer focused environment
- Prior experience of working within a statutory framework
- Prior experience in developing and delivering promotional and educational activities and materials across different mediums and for different audiences
- Excellent IT skills in the use of word, excel, access, outlook and power-point

**We offer the following:**

**Salary:** £8,613 per annum  
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ALL DAY OPENING – 10am to 5pm

SUNDAY 28<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER 2021

LOADS OF SPECIALS INCLUDING:

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**A NEW SELECTION OF LADIES BAGS & RUCKSACKS, NEW STOCK OF BICYCLES, FROZEN GOODS INCLUDING TURKEYS & LOADS MORE WILL BE ALSO ON SALE!!**

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DO COME ALONG & SEE WHAT WE HAVE TO OFFER !!**



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ENTER OUR LUCKY DRAW - WE ARE GIVING AWAY THE FOLLOWING:

- 1 x 29" RALEIGH BICYCLE – (worth £250)**
- 1 x 16" RALEIGH BICYCLE – (worth £180)**
- 1 x KIDS PLAYHOUSE – (worth £300)**

Spend over £10, and stand a chance for a child 18 years and under to win any of the above .

1 ticket for every £10 spent.

Customers spending over £10 will also stand a chance of winning either a

**Food Hamper, Frozen Hamper or Alcohol Hamper.**



The draw will take place on 6<sup>th</sup> Dec 2021, a percentage of the sales from the draw, will be donated to Cancer Support & Awareness.



OneWeb's compact self-adjusting user terminals will be steered mechanically or electronically



Tristan da Cunha after the devastating storm on 2 November 2019 again disabling the island's broadband link after the July storm

Photo: Robin Repetto

## Connecting Tristan da Cunha to the World

OneWeb's planned ground station on St. Helena seeks to connect islanders across the South Atlantic, including the remote community of Tristan da Cunha.

Earlier this month, we updated islanders of OneWeb's plans to build a ground station on St. Helena. It has been chosen as one of a few strategic places on the world map to host this facility and we are excited to have submitted planning permission to the Government of St. Helena.

But, the benefits of the project will not only be for islanders here. With approval, OneWeb can also start connecting Tristan da Cunha, the UK's most remote inhabited territory.

Isolation brings a lot of challenges to the community, including limiting access to education and healthcare, but our unique LEO technology will enhance bandwidth and latency on the island.

Put simply, OneWeb will effectively extend St. Helena's submarine cable to Tristan da Cunha allowing Tristans to benefit from the cable's almost infinite capacity. This will include creating a digital

bridge between the far flung sister island of St. Helena to connect communities and enable virtual inter-island classrooms.

We are passionate about this sort-of connectivity at OneWeb, but we also want to make a difference to communities. The numerous natural disasters that Tristan da Cunha has endured, most recently two years ago this month, has meant severe storms have damaged the island's internet link and also the wider community hampering relief efforts.

That's why we're excited by the prospect of providing unmatched reliability and resilience to islanders on Tristan da Cunha – with storm-resilient systems and compact self-adjusting antennas that are less prone to damage by high winds.

**OneWeb will be ready by early 2023 to ensure Tristan da Cunha will remain online when connectivity is needed most – we are waiting to be given the green light!**

For further information please contact: [communications@oneweb.net](mailto:communications@oneweb.net)



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## VACANCY

### Environmental Officer - Risk Management Environment, Natural Resources and Planning Portfolio

*An exciting opportunity has arisen for a suitably qualified and/or experienced individual to assist the Environmental Risk Manager with the processing of policies and operational procedures for climate change, environmental pollution and waste management. This role offers you the opportunity to support the development of green technology within waste management services.*

**Applicants must have the following qualifications and/or equivalent level of experience:**

- AS Environmental Science or equivalent level of demonstrable attainment or experience
- GCSE Maths and English at Grade C or above or equivalent level of demonstrable attainment or experience
- At least 2 years Line Management experience
- At least 2 years of working in an environmental management area
- Valid driving in classes A and C

**We offer the following:**

**Salary:** £11,034 per annum  
**Leave:** 30 days per annum  
**Pension:** 15% pension contribution into approved defined contribution pension scheme  
**Paid Sickness Absence**  
**Flexible working hours scheme**

**Further information** about the duties of the post, interested persons should contact:

Mr Mike Durnford, Environmental Risk Manager on telephone number 24724 or email: [mike.durnford@sainthelena.gov.sh](mailto:mike.durnford@sainthelena.gov.sh)

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## VACANCY

### Orthopaedic Support Officer (Fixed Term for 4 months) Health and Social Care Portfolio

*An opportunity is available within the Health Portfolio to provide administrative support to the Orthopaedic Section to enable the smooth running and delivery of a high quality, customer focused service.*

*The main duties and responsibilities of this role includes assisting with the appointments system for the Orthopaedics Service and undertaking a range of straightforward administrative processes in connection with the delivery of a high quality Administrative Support Service.*

**Applicants must have the following qualifications and/or equivalent level of experience:**

- A Level 2 or above qualification in a relevant subject such as English, ICT, Business Administration etc or equivalent level of demonstrable attainment or experience
- Proficient in using ICT including Microsoft Office

**We offer the following:**

**Salary:** £6,722 per annum  
**Leave:** 25 days per annum  
**Pension:** 15% pension contribution into approved defined contribution pension scheme  
**Paid Sickness Absence**  
**Flexible working hours scheme**

**Further information** about the duties of the post, interested persons should contact:

Miss Janet Lawrence, Health Services Officer on telephone number 22500 or email: [janet.lawrence@sainthelena.gov.sh](mailto:janet.lawrence@sainthelena.gov.sh)

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## VACANCY

### Designer/Draughtsman

*Fixed-Term Contract from January 2022 to March 2026*

*Treasury, Infrastructure & Sustainable Development Portfolio*

*Through an ambitious economic development investment programme (EDIP), SHG is continuing to improve the economic environment on the island which requires substantial infrastructure to be developed.*

*An exciting opportunity exists for a Designer Draughtsman who will use their specialist construction knowledge and high-level drawing skills to produce designs for refurbishments and new builds that are low-cost, functional, safe, sustainable and aesthetically pleasing.*

**Applicants must have the following qualifications and/or equivalent level of experience:**

- Certification in Autocad
- 10 years demonstrable technical experience working in a similar role
- Experience of analysing and interpreting information to develop solutions or solve problems

**We offer the following:**

**Salary:** £14,138 per annum  
**Leave:** 30 days per annum  
**Pension:** 15% pension contribution into approved defined contribution pension scheme  
**Paid Sickness Absence**

**Further information** about the duties of the post, interested persons should contact:

Mr Richard Wotton, Chief Engineer (EDIP) on telephone number 22270 or email: [richard.wotton@sainthelena.gov.sh](mailto:richard.wotton@sainthelena.gov.sh)

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## VACANCY

### GIS Surveyor

*Treasury, Infrastructure & Sustainable Development Portfolio*

*Here's an exciting opportunity for you to support the development of the St Helena Environmental Information System (SHEIS) and a fully digital cadastral fabric of the island. This role will allow you to utilise your experience in surveying and plan drawing, and in using GPS equipment, software and management.*

**Applicants should have the following qualifications and/or equivalent level of experience:**

- GCSE qualifications in Maths, English and Geography at Grade C or above
- GCSE in IT at Grade C or above or ECDL covering at least MS Word, Excel and Access
- In possession of a clean and valid driver's license at Class C
- At least one year's experience in surveying and plan drawing

**We offer the following:**

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**Flexible Working Hours Scheme**  
**Training Opportunities**

**Further information** about the duties of the post, interested persons should contact:

Mr Devlin Yon, Senior GIS Surveyor on telephone number 22270 or email: [devlin.yon@sainthelena.gov.sh](mailto:devlin.yon@sainthelena.gov.sh)

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## Vacancy – Chief Executive Officer

Connect Saint Helena Ltd is seeking to recruit a Chief Executive Officer (CEO).

The CEO is a key role within the Company and has responsibility for the leadership and management of the operations of the Company and as Executive Director on the Board of Directors will contribute to the Company's overall vision. The CEO will be expected to oversee the delivery of utilities services (Electricity, Water & Sewage) on St Helena ensuring that these are delivered in a cost effective and customer focused way.

Leadership and Management experience is essential in this role and the candidate should have demonstrable experience of working to a high level of responsibility; can think strategically with pivotal decision making skills and is cognisant of best practice in corporate governance.

### Qualifications & Experience

Candidates should have a qualification in either Business Administration, Geography, Law, Engineering or related fields at First Degree level or higher.

Connect Saint Helena Ltd offers a competitive salary commensurate with qualifications and experience. Other benefits includes 15% of base salary pension contributions.

For a full job description and/or further details on this position please contact Acting CEO, Clare Harris on 22255, or email [Clare.Harris@connect.co.sh](mailto:Clare.Harris@connect.co.sh)

Completed application forms should be sent to Anne Dillon, Interim Business Support Manager at [Anne.Dillon@connect.co.sh](mailto:Anne.Dillon@connect.co.sh) or handed into Seales Corner Office, Jamestown, by 9.00am on Monday, 29<sup>th</sup> November 2021.



## Vacancy – Technical Manager-Electricity

Connect Saint Helena Ltd is seeking to recruit a Technical Manager- Electricity to be responsible for the leadership and overall management of the Electricity Generation and Distribution sections.

Candidates should have demonstrable experience of providing professional electrical guidance and making strategic decisions with particular consideration to cost, technology improvements, and quality of electrical assets to ensure delivery of electricity services to regulated standards and to the satisfaction of customers.

### Qualifications & Experience

Candidates should be in possession of Chartered or Professional Engineer status and have a qualification in electrical engineering at degree level or higher.

Leadership and Management experience is also essential in this role.

Connect Saint Helena Ltd offers a competitive salary commensurate with qualifications and experience. Other benefits includes 15% of base salary pension contributions.

For a full job description and/or further details on this position please contact Kwaramba (KB) Mukarakate, Interim Technical Manager –Electricity on 22255 or email [KB.Mukarakate@connect.co.sh](mailto:KB.Mukarakate@connect.co.sh)

Completed application forms should be emailed to Annalisa Young [annalisa.young@connect.co.sh](mailto:annalisa.young@connect.co.sh) or handed into the Connect Saint Helena Ltd Main Office, Seales Corner, Jamestown by 09:00 Friday 03 December 2021.





**Solomon & Company (St Helena) Plc**

has a Vacancy for a

# Financial Services & Systems Manager

**This is a high profile, leadership position as a member of the Company's Corporate Management Team.**

The **Financial Services & Systems Manager** will be responsible for the overall management and development of the Finance and IT functions and to oversee the accurate provision of financial services and IT advice to all levels of the Company's operations in line with the Company's agenda and Purpose & Values.

**Interested Persons should have:**

- The following knowledge and experience:
  - 5 years professional experience in a financial field
  - 3-5 years' experience in financial management and control, including financial planning and project management experience
  - Professional knowledge of maintenance of all accounting systems, internal controls and relevant accounting procedures.
  - Experience of preparation, analysis and reporting on monthly, quarterly and annual financial information
- CCAB qualification or recent equivalent level of experience
- Financial Leadership/Management certification/accreditation.
- Strong financial and strategic planning skills including technical budgeting, forecasting and analytical skills
- Financial Risk assessment and risk mitigation skills and abilities
- Financial technical skills and abilities and able to train and develop accounting technicians and the wider finance team
- Proven IT systems management knowledge, skills and experience
- Access Dimensions skills and abilities
- Delegation, planning and organisational skills
- Excellent interpersonal and communication skills
- A high degree of integrity, maturity and professionalism with the ability to lead effectively in a demanding, fast paced team environment

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For further information, including the Company's attractive benefits package, please contact Mandy Peters, Chief Executive Officer, on telephone number 22380, or via email: [CEO@solomons.co.sh](mailto:CEO@solomons.co.sh)

Application forms can be collected from the Main Office Building, Jamestown, or alternatively, an electronic copy can be requested via email address: [hradmin@solomons.co.sh](mailto:hradmin@solomons.co.sh). Completed application forms should be submitted to Anya Thomas, Human Resources Development Officer, or via email address [hrdo@solomons.co.sh](mailto:hrdo@solomons.co.sh) by 1600hrs,

**Monday, 29 November 2021**

## EXPRESSION OF INTEREST

# CHAIR OF THE PRISON VISITING COMMITTEE

The Governor's Office invites Expressions of Interest (EOI) for the position of **Chair of the Prison Visiting Committee**.

The Prison Visiting Committee is a formal body established under the Prisons Ordinance 1960 which monitors the welfare of inmates in HMP Jamestown providing independent advice to the Governor and the Superintendent of Prisons. The Committee consists of a Chair and between two and six other members, all appointed by the Governor, and is responsible for:

- Hearing complaints from prisoners
- Regularly inspecting prisoners' food
- Looking into any issues within the Prison that may affect prisoners' health
- Dealing with any inquiries requested by the Governor
- Bringing any relevant matters to the attention of the Superintendent of Prisons
- Immediately informing the Governor of any abuse that comes to its attention.



The Prison Visiting Committee will also consider applications from prisoners for release on licence, early release and may also provide advice to the Governor regarding the revocation of such licences.

The Committee currently meets every six weeks at HMP Jamestown. In addition, its members regularly visit the Prison and make an annual report to the Governor concerning the state of the Prison, including any recommendations it considers appropriate. The appointment term for Chair is for a period of two years.

The remuneration is £1,200 per annum, paid in quarterly arrears. A mileage allowance of 65p per mile will be paid for use of personal vehicles in connection with attending meetings or carrying out any work on behalf of the Prison Visiting Committee.

Persons interested in the role should contact Information & Research Support Officer, Miss Linda Benjamin, at The Castle on tel: 22470 or via email: [linda.benjamin@sainthelena.gov.sh](mailto:linda.benjamin@sainthelena.gov.sh) for the relevant EOI form, which is also available on the SHG website: <https://www.sainthelena.gov.sh/government/public-information/>.

Completed EOIs should be submitted to the Manager of the Governor's Office, Kerry Lane, via email: [Kerry.Lane@fcd.o.gov.uk](mailto:Kerry.Lane@fcd.o.gov.uk) by **Friday, 19 November 2021**.

Shortlisted persons will be invited to an interview with the Governor and the successful applicant will be appointed subject to the production of a satisfactory Police Vetting Certificate.

**Governor's Office, St Helena, Ascension and Tristan da Cunha**

**4 November 2021**



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## VACANCY

### HEALTH SERVICE IMPROVEMENT SUPPORT OFFICER

*(2-Year Fixed Term within Health & Social Care Portfolio)*

*An exciting opportunity to support the Health Services Transformation Programme. This role offers you the opportunity to enhance your planning, organising and problem solving skills while providing effective administrative project support to the programme.*

Applicants should have the following qualifications and/or equivalent level of experience:

- GCSE Maths and English at Grade C or above or equivalent level of attainment or experience (applicants without a Level 2 qualification in Maths and English may still apply and can undertake a functional skills assessment as part of the recruitment process)
- High level of competence in MS office suite including Word, Excel, PowerPoint
- Demonstrates attention to detail and works methodically, responding to changes to meet deadlines

We offer the following:

Salary: £8,613 - £10,765 per annum  
Leave: 25 days per annum  
Pension: 15% pension contribution into approved defined contribution pension scheme  
Paid Sickness Absence  
Flexible working hours scheme  
Training opportunities

Further information about the duties of the post, interested persons should contact:

Janet Lawrence, Health Services Director on telephone number 22500 or email: [janet.lawrence@sainthelena.gov.sh](mailto:janet.lawrence@sainthelena.gov.sh)

Job Profile and Application forms can be assessed here or alternatively are available from:

Corporate Human Resources or the SHG website at: [www.sainthelena.gov.sh/vacancies](http://www.sainthelena.gov.sh/vacancies). Applications should be submitted through Directors, where applicable, to Dianne Venning, Human Resources Officer, The Castle or e-mail [recruitment@sainthelena.gov.sh](mailto:recruitment@sainthelena.gov.sh) by no later than **4pm on Tuesday, 23 November 2021**.

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# VACANCIES

## SENIOR SUPPORT WORKER

(SHELTERED HOUSING) Permanent Posts—Health & Social Care Portfolio

*We are seeking to recruit **Senior Support Workers** with a good sense of responsibility and commitment to providing assistance and direction to individuals within Sheltered Accommodation, that encourages them to live relatively independent. Could this be you..?*

**Applicants should have the following qualifications and/or equivalent level of experience:**

- GCSE in English Grade C or above or equivalent qualification;
- NVQ Level 3 Health and Social Care qualification or equivalent qualification, or currently working towards this qualification.

**We offer the following:**

**Salary:** commencing £10,765 per annum  
**Leave:** 25 days per annum  
**Pension:** 15% pension contribution into approved defined contribution pension scheme  
**Paid Sickness Absence**  
**Flexible Working Hours Scheme**  
**Training Opportunities**  
**Career Progression Scheme**

For **further information** about the duties of the post and a copy of the job profile, interested persons should contact:  
 Rosalie Brown, CCC & Residential Development Manager on telephone number 23090 or email: [rosalie.brown@sainthelena.gov.sh](mailto:rosalie.brown@sainthelena.gov.sh)

**Job Profile and Application forms** are available from:  
 Central Human Resources & Organisational Development or the SHG website at: [www.sainthelena.gov.sh/vacancies](http://www.sainthelena.gov.sh/vacancies). Applications should be submitted through Directors, where applicable, to Sharina Williams, Human Resources Officer, The Castle or e-mail [recruitment@sainthelena.gov.sh](mailto:recruitment@sainthelena.gov.sh) by no later than **4pm on Tuesday, 23 November 2021**.

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# VACANCY

## SMALL MACHINERY OPERATOR

(Environment, Natural Resources and Planning Portfolio)

*Are you energetic and physically fit with an interest in tree works and the Island's Forests? Are you an effective team player and do you have the ability and experience in maintaining and operating small machinery? If so, the Silviculture Section has an opportunity for you to join their team to provide a reliable and efficient small machinery, herbicide application and tree surgery services.*

**Applicants should have the following qualifications and/or equivalent level of experience:**

- **Basic First Aid Certificate (or to be willing to attain the certificate)**
- **A drivers licence at Grade C**
- **Local competency certificate in safe use and handling of pesticides (or to be willing to attain the certificate)**
- **At least 2 years experience of tree felling and surgery work**
- **Experienced in tree climbing and safe use of laddering systems**
- **At least 1 years experience of working with and maintaining small machinery**

**We offer the following:**

**Salary:** £7,226 per annum  
**Leave:** 25 days per annum  
**Pension:** 15% pension contribution into approved defined contribution pension scheme  
**Paid Sickness Absence**  
**Flexible working hours scheme**

**Further information** about the duties of the post, interested persons should contact:  
 Mr Rickie Thomas, Silviculture Officer on telephone number 24724 or email: [rickie.thomas@sainthelena.gov.sh](mailto:rickie.thomas@sainthelena.gov.sh)

**To access the Job Profile and Application forms click here** or alternatively, both are available from:  
 Corporate Human Resources. Applications should be submitted through Directors, where applicable, to Karen Thomas, Senior Human Resources Assistant, The Castle or e-mail [recruitment@sainthelena.gov.sh](mailto:recruitment@sainthelena.gov.sh) by no later than **4pm on Tuesday, 23 November 2021**. **To be considered for this role, you must complete our application form. Failure to do so will mean that your application will not be considered. Please do not submit your CV.**

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## TIP OF THE WEEK

Make the most of natural light.

Open curtains and blinds during daylight hours instead of turning on lights.



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

The following items are for sale by tender:

- Used BOSH Exxcel 2009 dishwasher
- Used AEG Electrolux 5 burner gas hob

Both items are being sold on an 'as is' basis with no warranty or guarantee given.

Interested persons should contact Debbie Yon, Plantation House Residence Manager on 24453 to arrange viewing.

Offers should be sent to Kerry Lane, Manager of the Governor's Office, at [Kerry.Lane@fcdco.gov.uk](mailto:Kerry.Lane@fcdco.gov.uk) by 4:00pm on Friday, 3rd December 2021.



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## VACANCY

### Conservation Worker at Scotland Nursery (Fixed-term 1 year) Environment, Natural Resources and Planning Portfolio

*Do you have an interest in conserving the islands endemics? Do you have experience in propagation techniques? If so, project funding has been allocated to restore St Helena's native habitats and species. We are seeking a Conservation Worker for location our Nursery (Species) at Scotland.*

*This is an excellent opportunity to be a part of the project to restore St Helena's internationally important cloud forest for wildlife, water security and people, contributing to the implementation of the Diana's Peak National Park Management Plan.*

Applicants should have the following qualifications and/or equivalent level of experience:

- Level 2 Certificate in City and Guilds in work-based Environmental Conservation
- Basic IT Skills and proficient in the use of Excel and GPS
- Practical experience in plant propagation techniques

We offer the following:

**Salary:** £6,722 per annum  
**Leave:** 25 days per annum  
**Pension:** 15% pension contribution into an approved defined contribution pension scheme  
**Paid Sickness Absence**  
**Flexible Working arrangement**

Further information about the duties of the post, interested persons should contact:

Mrs Vanessa Thomas-Williams, Nursery Officer on telephone number 24724 or email: [vanessa.t-williams@sainthelena.gov.sh](mailto:vanessa.t-williams@sainthelena.gov.sh)

To access the Job Profile and Application forms [click here](#) or alternatively, both are available from:

Corporate Human Resources, Scotland Office and Essex House. Applications should be submitted through Directors, where applicable, to Karen Thomas, Senior Human Resources Assistant, the Castle or e-mail [recruitment@sainthelena.gov.sh](mailto:recruitment@sainthelena.gov.sh) by no later than 4pm on Tuesday 23 November 2021. To be considered for this role, you must complete our application form. Failure to do so will mean that your application will not be considered. Please do not submit your CV.

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## INVITATION TO TENDER INSHORE FISHERIES SURVEY AND DEPTH TRANSECTS

St Helena Government invites suitably experienced contractors to submit tenders for the following contracts:

- ENRP35-2021/22 – Charter vessel & crew to undertake inshore fisheries survey for bait species
- ENRP31-2021/22 – Charter vessel & crew to undertake depth transects to assess the distribution of groundfish species.

Copies of the tender document can be obtained from:  
Miss Tiffany Lawrence, Procurement Officer, Essex House  
Jamestown - Telephone No: 22270 or  
email: tiffany.lawrence@sainthelena.gov.sh

Should you require any further details, please contact the Fisheries Science Programme Coordinator, Joachim Naulaerts, on telephone: 22270 or  
email: joachim.naulaerts@sainthelena.gov.sh

Completed tenders should be placed in the Tender Box at Essex House by 12noon on Thursday, 25 November 2021. Interested parties should note that this opportunity is **not** being advertised overseas.

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**10 November 2021**



## ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INVESTMENT PROGRAMME UPDATE PUBLIC INFORMATION MEETINGS

The Capital Programme Section will be holding a series of public information meetings during November 2021. These meetings are being held to give an update on the Economic Development Investment Programme (EDIP), including Rupert's Wharf Cargo Handling Facility development and Side Path Road and Field Road Rehabilitation.

**All meetings will take place at 7pm as follows:**

**Date + Venue**

Monday, 22 November  
Museum of Saint Helena, Jamestown  
Tuesday, 23 November  
Harford Community Centre  
Wednesday, 24 November  
Kingshurst Community Centre  
Thursday, 25 November  
St Michael's Church, Rupert's



Members of the public are encouraged to attend.

**SHG**

**9 November 2021**



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

# Cleaner

Within the Malabar

**Job Outline**

To maintain a high standard of cleanliness and to ensure that cleaning routines are completed in the required timeframe

**Interested Persons Should:**

- Be reliable, trustworthy and punctual with a flexible approach to work
- Demonstrate excellent attention to detail, and take pride in their work
- Be physically fit with the ability to undertake regular manual handling duties
  - Have knowledge of Health & Safety and Hygiene
- Be able to work independently and manage time effectively, with minimum supervision
  - Maintain total confidentiality within the Company

Hours of work will be 12 hours per week

Salary will be **£4.81** per hour

For further information, including the Company's attractive benefits package, please contact Tracey Thomas, Insurance Manager on telephone number: 22860 or via email address: Traceyt@solomons.co.sh

Application forms may be collected from Solomons Reception Desk, in the Main Office Building, Jamestown or alternatively an electronic copy can be requested via e-mail address: hradmin@solomons.co.sh and should be completed and returned to Anya Thomas, Human Resources Development Officer, Solomons Office, Jamestown, **By 23 November 2021**

We had a break from Premier League Football last week; so yes Arsenal fans Manchester United didn't lose. We have to be getting bad once the Arsenal fans is taking the P\*\*\* out of us.

Instead of club football the last round of World Cup Qualifiers took place in Europe with some interesting results and some big teams missing out on automatic qualification.

England booked their place in Qatar with a 10 nil win away at San Marino. Also heading to the World Cup are 2018 winners France, while Belgium, Denmark and Germany all safely got through their groups as well.

There are some big hitters who didn't qualify on top of their group and will now have to try and qualify through the playoffs next March including Euro Winners Italy and Portugal.

These teams have secured their place at the 2022 World Cup.

Belgium; Croatia, Denmark, England, France, Germany, Netherlands, Serbia, Spain, Switzerland, Brazil, Argentina and host Qatar.

The following teams have reached the European Playoffs of which three more will qualify:

### World Cup 2022 qualifying: European play-offs

Seeded nations:	Unseeded nations:
Portugal	Turkey
Scotland	Poland
Italy	North Macedonia
Russia	Ukraine
Sweden	Austria
Wales	Czech Republic

These teams will play a one legged semi-final with the seeded teams playing at home. Semi-Final Winners will play in 3 finals with the winners qualifying to make up the 32 teams that will compete in next year's World Cup Finals.



*It's been a disappointing couple of weeks for Ronaldo*

### Premier League fixtures:

#### SATURDAY 20TH NOVEMBER

- 12:30 Leicester City v Chelsea
- 15:00 Aston Villa v Brighton & Hove Albion
- 15:00 Burnley v Crystal Palace
- 15:00 Newcastle United v Brentford
- 15:00 Norwich City v Southampton
- 15:00 Watford v Manchester United
- 15:00 Wolverhampton Wanderers v West Ham United
- 17:30 Liverpool v Arsenal

#### SUNDAY 21ST NOVEMBER

- 14:00 Manchester City v Everton
- 16:30 Tottenham Hotspur v Leeds United



## District Football results week 5

Congratulations to Half Tree Hollow as they were crown District Champions on Saturday after beating Longwood by four goals to one.

Longwood took the lead after the ball hit a divot and bounce over the keepers head and Joey Thomas had the easiest of tasks to head the ball into the empty net. This goal came against the run of play as Half Tree Hollow had started the better.

With 10 minutes of the half to go Half Tree Hollow was level when Captain Tyler Benjamin let fly with a power shot from 25 yards out; the ball flew into the top corner before the goal keeper could move.

With a minute of the first half to go Tyler Brady got through one on one with the keeper and calmly slotted the ball into the net to give Half Tree Hollow a half time lead.

Longwood who was brilliant in their opening three matches was somewhat subdued in this game and it was HTH who dominated the second half. Cody Thomas scored from close in to make it three and Tyler Benjamin rounded off a man of the match performance with another good goal.

Half Tree Hollow who has finished as Runners up in the last 5 seasons finally picked up the District Cup.

After that defeat Longwood finished in third place because

Jamestown had beaten St Paul's 4-3 in the earlier match.

Jamestown had to win by 12 goals if they was to have any hope of retaining the title; the job was made harder as 4 of their young players was out with injuries and had to be replace by two veterans; one 49 and the other 60.

Jamestown started well and created a number of chances before Jordan Yon scored in the 12 minute.

10 minutes later St Paul's was level after a defensive error allowed Brett Isaac in to score.

15 minutes of the half to go and Mike E Williams scored his first goal of the season to put St Paul's 2 -1 up at half time.

3 minutes into the second half Jamestown was level when Shane Stroud scored.

Brett Isaac then put St Paul's in front again when he scored a brilliant goal; a dipping half volley from the left of the area that flew into the top corner.

With 15 minutes to go Man of the Match Shane Stroud struck a volley from the edge of the area to bring the game level once again.

With 3 minutes of the match to go Jamestown was awarded



a penalty for hand ball and Shane stepped up and gave his team all 3 points.

This weekend we have the Knock Out Cup Quarter Finals. Starting at the new times of 1pm and 3pm

Position	Team	Play	Win	Draw	Lose	GF	GA	GD	Points
1	HTH	4	3	1	0	9	3	6	10
2	Jamestown	4	2	2	0	15	7	8	8
3	Longwood	4	2	1	1	24	9	15	7
4	St Paul's	4	1	0	3	10	18	-8	3
5	Rest	4	0	0	4	3	23	-20	0
Top Scorers									
Joey Thomas	Longwood	9							
Matthais Young	Longwood	8							
Rico Benjamin	Jamestown	6							
Shane Stroud	Jamestown	6							
Tyler Benjamin	HTH	4							

**Saturday 20th Nov**  
 Knock Out 1pm Bellboys v Wirebirds  
 Organisers Saints  
 Knock Out 3pm Harts v Axis  
 Organisers Rovers

**Sunday 21st Nov**  
 Knock Out 1pm Ballez V Lakers  
 Organisers Harts  
 Knock Out 3pm Saints v Rovers  
 Organisers Wirebirds

## Bank of St Helena Youth Games

Last Friday we saw the opening ceremony for the 17<sup>th</sup> Bank of St Helena Youth Games at New Horizons. After the opening speech by Nick Stevens; Annabel Crowie of the Bank of St Helena address the guests and competitors before declaring the games open.



The first team event was the Basketball sponsored by Isaac's Contractors. Jamestown won the Gold; St Paul's the Silver and HTH the Bronze.

**Results:**  
 St Paul's 10 v HTH 7  
 Pts St Pauls: Scott O'Bey 4; Luke Bowers 4 & Taylon Phillips 2  
 Pts HTH: Jolan Henry 4; Kenon Bargo 3

Jamestown 16 v Longwood 4  
 Pts: Jamestown: Aiden Yon-Stevens 6; Lars Williams 8 and Colby Richards 2  
 Pts Longwood: Sean Claude George 2 & Gabrielle 2

HTH 12 v Longwood 6  
 Pts HTH: Brooke Yon 2; Jolan Henry 5 & Blaze Baldwin 5  
 Pts Longwood: Sean Claude 6

Jamestown 15 v St Paul's 14  
 Pts Jamestown: Aiden Yon-Stevens 6; Lars Williams 7 & Colby Richards 2  
 Pts St Paul's: Luke Bowers 5; Jerome Peters 2 & Tyrone Cansick 6

Despite the rain, day two of the Athletics took place on Monday afternoon and we saw some really good times in the 100m and 200m.

This Friday we will have the Volleyball tournament at New Horizons sponsored by Queen Mary Stores.  
 Monday 21<sup>st</sup> is the Badminton from 5.30pm at Prince Andrew School; Athletics on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> and Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> at Francis Plain from 4.30pm and the Swimming gala at the Jamestown Swimming Pool next Friday.



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BOSH Youth Games Athletics Results

Event	Gold	Silver	Bronze
100m Lower boys	Blaze Baldwin HTH 12.84 NR	Kenon Bargo HTH 13.19	Robsen LLA 15.35
100m Upper Girls	Brooke Yon HTH 16.10	Amber George HTH 21.64	
100m Upper Boys	Aiden Yon-Stevens JBS 11.90	Josh Herne JBS 13.03	Stefan Thomas LLA 14.03
200m Lower Boys	Blaze Baldwin HTH 26.63 NR	Kenon Bargo HTH 29.00	Robsen LLA 31.87
200m Upper Girls	Brooke Yon HTH 33.42		
200m Upper Boys	Aiden Yon-Stevens JBS 24.71 NR	Josh Herne JBS 27.66	Stefan Thomas LLA 29.20
Long Jump Lower	Kenon Bargo 4.63m	Blaze Baldwin HTH 4.59m	Riley Yon HTH 3.76m
Long Jump Upper Girls	Brooke Yon HTH 3.42m		
Long Jump Upper Boys	Aiden Yon-Stevens JBS 4.88m	Stefan Thomas LLA 4.35	Luke Bowers SP 3.56m



**Jamestown Gold Medallist in Basketball**

# From the St Helena Golf Club

Contributed by: SHGC

## Golf Report for 14th November 2021

On remembrance Sunday the club hosted a Par 3 stroke play competition. Eleven players turned up to tee off in cloudy but dry conditions. Par 3 competitions are energy saving and normally take a shorter time to complete a round due to shortened fairways. By 4pm all the players were back in the clubhouse. The greens were just as fast as last week this posed a great challenge to most players. Three eighths of the full handicap was applied. Top on the leaderboard with net 65 was the games manager Mr Jeffrey Stevens. The captain and the ladies captain tied in second place with net 67. On a countback over the last 5 holes the captain Bramwell Bushuru emerged second. There was only one two ball pool winner Mr Larry Legg who birdied the 3<sup>rd</sup> hole. The prizes were presented by the ladies' captain Mrs Helena Stevens. Congratulations to the winners.



Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2021 is yet another opportunity for those who would like to win a Turkey or a Ham for Christmas. This time it will be a medal for a competition. Tee off 12noon. Registration closes on Saturday 20<sup>th</sup> at 3pm.  
**Happy swinging...**

## 100 Years Girl Guiding St Helena

Girlguiding St Helena continues to celebrate our 100 years. This last weekend saw some Brownies out selling poppies in Jamestown, upholding a tradition of many years. There was a good turnout for the annual Remembrance Sunday Parade although there were some absentees due to a bug circulating in the community.

Following the Parade, we all gathered at the garden of St James Church to pay tribute to our founder Mrs Winifred Walcott. A wreath was placed by Mrs Daphne Francis, a Trefoil Guild member, on the memorial of Cannon and Mrs Walcott. HE the Governor, Dr Philip Rushbrook, Bishop Dale Bowers and our President Mrs S Ivy Ellick were present.



The singing of Guide Taps marked the finale to the day.

Forthcoming events – Celebrating all previous Leaders and Helpers, a Parade and a Fun Run.

We will be hosting a stall at the Plantation Christmas Fair on 28<sup>th</sup> November 2021 – do come and visit our stall.



## ***Irn Bru is the REAL Winner at COP 26***

The world's biggest ever climate conference in Glasgow was not just about deals being made between delegates who had polished up their persuasive skills. All sorts of commercial interests tried to make a gain from the big occasion. The big mining companies pull all sorts of tricks to try to protect their interests while food and drink businesses feeding the 30,000 delegates from almost 200 countries used the occasion to promote their products. Coming out on top of all them was Scottish soft drinks company AG Barr with their famed Irn Bru.



Irn Bru comes in Regular, Sugar Free, XTRA and Energy versions; all were readily available and popular at COP26. The drink's popularity shot through the roof after Scotland's First Minister, Nicola Sturgeon, and New York Congresswoman Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez posed for a social media photo which went viral. Irn Bru is part of the Scottish identity as much genuine Scotch whisky. In the same way the Irish put

as much national emotional investment into Guinness as they do money to drink it.

Guinness from a can is a pale imitation of the rich and deep flavour to be enjoyed from a pint pulled in Dublin, the true flavour of a can of Irn Bru can only be enjoyed if it has been produced by AG Barr at their soft drinks factory in Cumbernauld, Bonnie Scotland. Iron Brew (not Irn Bru) has been sold in St Helena but it was imported from South Africa and made by Coca Cola. Any true Scot would call it a fraudulent imitation of the real thing.

### **Trump Declares War on Scotland**

Not ago Donald Trump banned Irn Bru from the Turnberry Hotel in Scotland after a £200 million refurbishment at the five star hotel. His ban of the celebrated Scottish liquid hit social media like a whirlwind with some outraged Scots proclaiming Trump had now declared war on Scotland. The hotel general manager, Mr Porciani, ignored Scottish sensitivities in equal measure, complaining about the carpets getting badly stained if someone spills Irn Bru on them. Irn Bru contains colourants that give it its distinctive luminous orange appearance.



***Irn Bru – as Scottish as genuine Scotch Whisky***

## ***Final call...***

If anybody still would like to sponsor me (if u have'nt yet) on my 35 mile charity walk in aid of St.Helena Cancer Support & Awareness Charity to be held on Falkland Islands next Saturday 27<sup>th</sup> November, you can still do so by passing your donation to following people who will put your name on sponsor forms:-

**Falklands :-** Myself at Top Naafi, MPC  
Natasha Leo, MITIE Office, MPC  
Giselle Richards, Stanley

**Ascension:-** Samantha Duncan c/o Post Office

**St.Helena:-** Brenda Stevens c/o Solomons Office (or Alarm Hill)  
Dianne Benjamin, Longwood Supermarket (or Mulberry Gut).

Listen to Saint FM for updates on how walk is going.....if weather good will start at 6.00 am Falklands ( 9.00 am St.Helena).

Thanks alot for your support on this very worthy cause!

**Tony (Mobile 00 500 54173)**

# Your Opinion Counts

**Dear Editor,**

One of the most urgent issues I feel the new Administrative Government should address is that of the somewhat draconian length of quarantining still in place in St. Helena. Most countries have now reduced or moderated and even scrapped their quarantining programmes and so St Helena must be one of the last remaining places in the world where this has not happened.

The idea was mooted about six months about the necessity for changing the covid-19 protection protocols on the Island in line with other countries but to date this has clearly not happened. I cannot say I look forward to being there in mid-December when the ten days of quarantining awaits me and other passengers after arrival and given the current pattern of flight delays; I think we would be lucky if we are released to be with our families and friends in time for Christmas!

I also believe that if St. Helena is to attract and increase its tourism trade it would need to review its present strategies regarding visitors and be a little more welcoming, otherwise it will not reap the benefits of having an airport. Tourists will simply elect with their feet and spend their money elsewhere!

**Dear Editor,**

## **SINCERE THANKS**

This is to express my sincere thanks to the Doctors, Managers, Nursing Staff, Cooks, Auxiliary Staff and all others at the General Hospital, who were involved in my medical care and welfare during my admissions to the Hospital, approximately six weeks in March and for part of April, four days during May and a day and night in August.

I am truly grateful for all that was done to help me in such a caring and professional way.

Following my discharge from Hospital in May, various aspects of my disability meant that I still needed help at home.

Here is where I would like to thank the Adults and Children's Services Group for their professional and thoughtful provision of a team of Carers, who came to my home throughout each day for several weeks. This afforded me wonderful personal assistance during my hours of need. The friendly, humorous Carers with their professional help was a great moral booster when I was feeling frustrated and becoming forgetful. Thank you one and all for the valuable work you do for so many of the elderly and disabled folk in our community. That phase of life in my home with daily care had of necessity, come to an end. Emotional and other decisions had to be made and accepted for my own good. I was shown and offered a place in Capevilla, Sheltered Accommodation and on the 15<sup>th</sup> June 2021, I moved out of my Jamestown home into Flat No. 13, Capevilla, St Pauls, where I am now residing with many of my treasured and personal items around me. The flat is very comfortable with pleasant surroundings.

I also wish to pass on my grateful thanks to the Manager, the Senior Support Workers and all of the staff at Capevilla for their professional, friendly and helpful way of caring for me. I truly appreciate all that is being done for me in my new abode. With God's help I trust all of my fellow elderly residents and the caring staff can and will always get on as one big family.

Last, but certainly not least, I sincerely thank the kind, generous friends who helped me with my home moving of my various household items from my home. It was a huge task; Bruce and Alan, Delia and Ivan, I could not have managed without you. Now as I settle into my new existence, I would greatly appreciate anyone coming to visit me from time to time.

Thank you all so much.

*Canon Clive Duncan*

**Canon Clive Duncan**

# **NOTIFICATION**

## **MEETING OF THE LAND DEVELOPMENT CONTROL AUTHORITY**

The Land Development Control Authority will hold its monthly meeting on **Wednesday 1st December 2021, at 10 am at the St Helena Community College main Hall, Jamestown.**

Meetings of the Authority are open to members of the public, applicants and objectors.

The Agenda and redacted versions of the Handling Reports will be available on the LDCA Web Page of the SHG Web Site.

Should you require assistance, please contact the Portfolio Assistant on telephone number 24724.

Applicants and Objectors may speak at the meeting providing that a summary of the points to be raised has been submitted to the Secretary at least 24 hours before the meeting.



**UN CLIMATE  
CHANGE  
CONFERENCE  
UK 2021**

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH ITALY

The best estimate for the cost of the COP26 conference in Glasgow is “several hundred million pounds”. It still remains to be decided who is going to pay for what. The carbon footprint for the conference has recently been estimated at 102,500 tons of carbon dioxide. 8,000 residents in the UK would take a year to produce that.

### What Else did COP26 Give Us?

No UN climate conference has seen such a blizzard of promising climate statements in such a short space of time as COP26. Countries had made varying commitments to limit emissions by 2030, known as “nationally determined contributions” (NDCs), in advance of COP26. Many then added long-term net zero statements to their NDCs during the conference – such as the UK’s net zero by 2050 pledge – as well as other, non-binding statements relating to issue such as renewable energy. That leaves three different sources of emissions claims to assess to take stock of.

Many statements were made by coalitions of small nations on issues such as deforestation, methane emissions and coal use. But these aren’t binding agreements among all 197 parties who take part in COP26. They are statements of intention which, unfortunately, are not always fulfilled. Although climate targets set by the Paris Climate Agreement include pursuing efforts to limit surface warming of the planet to 1.5°C above its pre-industrial average by 2100, current emissions pledges will still likely result in warming of over 2°C. To achieve the 1.5°C target, global emissions need to fall by 45% by 2030. But an analysis by award-winning climate analysis site Carbon Brief found that current climate policies will lead to surface warming of around 2.7°C by 2100. If countries manage to fulfil all their Nationally Determined Contributions for 2030 and deliver on statements made at

COP26, projected warming falls to around 2.4°C. If countries also meet their targets for reaching net zero, this could still mean 1.8°C of warming.

On fossil fuels the first COP26 Agreement called for countries to “accelerate the phasing out of coal and subsidies for fossil fuels”, this phrasing was changed to request that countries “accelerate the phasing out of *unabated* coal and *inefficient* subsidies for fossil fuels”. The fossil fuels industry received US\$5.9tn (£4.4trillion) in subsidies worldwide in 2020.

On climate finance, important parts of the proposal revolve around setting prices for carbon trading, funding climate adaptation and paying for loss and damage caused by extreme weather. A statement in an early draft sought to establish financial support to “avert, minimise and address loss and damage associated with the adverse effects of climate change in developing countries”. This would have established the Glasgow Loss and Damage Facility for channelling money to support people on the frontline of climate change impacts. However, this was blocked by the EU and US, a blow for developing world nations.

The COP presidency got the pact over the line only by asking for some to make sacrifices and others to accept smaller wins, in what COP president Alok Sharma argued was overall a balanced agreement. The entire problem with climate change, however, is that it is the result of profound historical and ongoing imbalance. Those hailing COP26 as a success owe profound gratitude to the developing world nations who accepted the pact and chose not to ask for the balance on climate change to be paid in full – yet.

*Information extracted from an article by Mary Gagen, Professor of Physical Geography, Swansea University*

## APPLICATION FOR DEVELOPMENT PERMISSION

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

- Application 2021/97:** FULL Planning Application for **Formation of a New Access Road**, Deadwood on Parcels LWN0038 and LWN0355. Applicant: William G Johnson

**Copies of the Application and Plan 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 Portfolio Assistant on Telephone 24724 or email [Karen.Isaac@sainthelena.gov.sh](mailto:Karen.Isaac@sainthelena.gov.sh) stating the Application Reference Number they wish to inspect.**

**Any person who wishes to make Representation on the above Application should make them in writing within 14 days to the Planning Office, Essex House, Main Street, Jamestown or Email [karen.isaac@sainthelena.gov.sh](mailto:karen.isaac@sainthelena.gov.sh)**

**Public Representation Closing Date:**

**4pm – 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2021**

**Shane Williams  
Planning Officer**





# The Story Behind the Clinic Closures

Vince Thompson

A press release issued on Sunday referred to “unavoidable staff shortages” being experienced in the Health Service. As a result the Jamestown outpatients’ clinics were cancelled on Monday, Longwood clinic cancelled on Wednesday and Half Tree Hollow clinic cancelled on Thursday. In addition, only one doctor was on duty at the Jamestown outpatients’ clinic on Tuesday and again today, Friday.

There have been previous announcements about shortages in key professional healthcare posts but this week’s curtailment of primary care health services was more than usual. Just how bad are the staff shortages and how long will this situation last? The *Independent* asked the questions and got some answers.

The good news, as much as there is any, is the diarrhoea and vomiting bug has affected health care staff as much as it has affected everyone else. As soon as this bug has passed the worst will be over and the Health Services Directorate can concentrate more fully on the usual problems associated with recruitment.

The COVID-19 pandemic has now joined the list of ‘usual problems’ for healthcare recruitment in St Helena. It is always necessary to recruit healthcare professionals from overseas and the pandemic has made this more difficult than it is already for several reasons. First, St Helena is competing against strong demand from across the world for additional healthcare demand because of the pandemic. Even if there is a possible applicant for a healthcare job in St Helena there are additional disadvantages because of the pandemic. Often, people recruited from overseas leave their families behind. With the spread of the coronavirus appearing to be under control and then resurgent once more overseas applicants with families left at home are aware of the need to quickly return home if the worst happens. The lack of frequent flights and the risk of not being able to book on the first available plane make possible applicants think twice and then decide not to apply. Personal health reasons are a common cause for people who have been newly recruited to pull out just be-



fore they are due to travel to St Helena to take up their healthcare post. The pandemic makes possible applicants even more aware of how far they will be from their families and increases the fear that they may be stranded on a remote island. The quarantine regulations are a disincentive for some when other countries looking for healthcare workers offer less rigorous checks and restrictions.

If a healthcare vacancy is advertised and a suitable applicant is appointed without any of the complications and delays that often arise, the whole process can take up to three months. Three of the seven vacancies now advertised at St Helena Public Service Jobs are healthcare vacancies. Two have an application deadline of early December while the 3<sup>rd</sup> vacancy will be advertised until an applicant is appointed. For the two December deadline jobs, we may see the successful applicants in March – if there are no delays in the process.

A pharmacist and a locum GP / obstetrician – gynaecologist are expected to arrive at the end of this month but the majority of healthcare vacancies are not expected to be filled until January. There are also healthcare job vacancies which are being filled by local recruitment. If the successful applicants are appointed and arrive with no unforeseen circumstances to delay them or change their minds January may appear to be the month when the staffing situation improves to something near to normal. This may happen but healthcare employment contracts are finishing as frequently as they are starting. Between now and January there will be more vacancies advertised which will take up to three months to fill, or longer the recruitment process does not run smoothly.

## Google’s Economic Impact Assessment of the Equiano Cable Excludes St Helena

Google commissioned two consultancies to produce an economic assessment of the effect the Equiano Subsea cable will have on Nigeria, Namibia and South Africa. All three countries are due to be connected to the Equiano Cable but so far, none of them are. St Helena is the only country connected to the Equiano Cable but an economic assessment of the benefits the cable is estimated to bring to St Helena is not included in the report. Google state that an updated report will be produced next year and will include assessments of additional African countries.

The three countries included in the Google economic assessment are the countries scheduled to be connected to the Equiano cable. Connections at Cape Town, Swakopmund, Namibia and Lagos, Nigeria are shown on the diagram but St

Helena and the connection to the Equiano cable are missing.

The report explains, “Equiano will have a direct impact on connectivity in all the countries in which it lands, resulting in faster internet speeds, improved user experience, and reduced internet prices. By 2025, due to Equiano, internet speeds in Nigeria are expected to increase five-fold, and to almost triple in South Africa and Namibia. Over the same time frame, internet prices are expected to drop by between 16% and 21% in the three countries.”

Observers who are closely watching developments in St Helena regarding the benefits the St Helena Government are able to achieve from the Equiano cable are concerned that the exclusion of St Helena from even the diagram showing the coun-

# Google's Economic Impact Assessment of the Equiano Cable Excludes St Helena

tries connected to it, is at best mystifying and more likely a bad sign. The St Helena connection is the only one so far which is in fact connected. Google have not given themselves a pat on the back by advertising this achievement. Instead, St Helena is completely ignored.

Speculation about the reason for the exclusion of St Helena from Google's economic impact assessment is rooted in the fact that the award of the new telecoms licence is already 3 months overdue and there is a complete news black-out from SHG on the reason for this. This extended silence is raising suspicions that when the new telecoms licence is eventually awarded it will be revealed there will be little improvement to St Helena's on-island telecom infrastructure over the next ten years. This in turn will mean the increased speeds possible from the Equiano cable connection will not be fully exploited. Even worse, the Equiano cable connection will cost St Helena several hundred thousand pounds a year – just for having the connection. The exact amount involved is not known because it is confidential information and no-one is saying. If the commercial opportunities offered by having the connection cannot be fully exploited, finding the money to pay the high costs involved are seen as a very big problem. While South Africa, Namibia and Nigeria are looking forward to internet prices dropping by around 20%, St Helena's negotiations with Sure may mean our internet prices rise instead of drop.

Google

Equiano  
Subsea  
Cable:

Regional Economic  
Impact Assessment



There is conjecture that the exclusion of St Helena from the Google assessment is due to Google not expecting the Equiano cable to have any material benefit for St Helena because SHG is losing out in its negotiations with Sure. The *Independent* contacted the Google media office last week seeking information on why St Helena was not included in their economic impact assessment. So far, there has been no response despite a repeat request for information.

## Remembrance Sunday Service 2021

The annual Remembrance Sunday Divine Service, in honour of those who lost their lives in the violence of war, as well as those who had served or survived these wars, was held at the Cenotaph in Jamestown on Sunday, 14 November 2021.

His Excellency, Governor Dr Philip Rushbrook and Mrs Rushbrook attended. The Right Reverend Lord Bishop of St Helena, Dale Bowers, welcomed the many in attendance to the service and invited all to join in prayer. Following prayers the Governor and President of the Prince Andrew School Student Council, Amy Thomas, then gave the act of Remembrance before a two-minute silence was observed, signalled by the Last Post played by members of the First Jamestown Scout Group.

During the course of the service, prayers were led by Pastor Paul Taylor, Envoy Coral Yon, Father David Musgrave, Father David Hall, Deacon Edgar Crowie and Deacon Clarence Roberts.

Shortly after, those present sung the Hymn 'The Lord is my Shepherd' before the Governor laid a wreath for the Territory onto the Cenotaph. Wreaths were also laid for The President of the French Re-public, The Government of St Helena, The Royal Navy, The Army, The Royal Air Force, The Merchant Navy, The St Helena Police Force, The St Helena Fire and Sea Rescue Services and The St Helena Veterans Association. Members of the public and school children also laid wreaths.





ON SUNDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> NOVEMBER 2021 THERE WILL BE A WELCOME SERVICE TO MEET AND GREET MAJOR WENDY CLACK WHO WILL TAKE UP HER APPOINTMENT WITH THE SALVATION ARMY ON ST HELENA. THE SERVICE WILL BE HELD AT THE HALF TREE HOLLOW ARMY HALL AT 5PM. EVERYONE IS WARMLY WELCOME. THERE WILL BE BRING AND SHARE TEA, REFRESHMENTS AND FELLOWSHIP FOLLOWING THE SERVICE.

THERE IS ALWAYS A WARM WELCOME FOR YOU AT THE SALVATION ARMY.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO KNOW MORE ABOUT THE SALVATION ARMY ACTIVITIES THEN PLEASE CONTACT NICHOLAS YON ON TELEPHONE NUMBER 25311 OR CORAL YON ON TELEPHONE NUMBER 24358

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### In the Market

Brenda will be in the Market on Friday 26th November with hand-knitted items for sale

### A DANCE

WILL BE HELD AT HARFORD COMMUNITY CENTRE ON SATURDAY, 27<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2021 AT 8.30PM,  
MUSIC BY: DJ KJ. TICKETS £1

“COME AND DANCE THE NIGHT AWAY”

### Remembrance Wreath on RFA Darkdale

On Remembrance Sunday, 14th November 2021, nine divers placed a wreath for the sailors who perished during the sinking of the RFA Darkdale on 22nd October 1941, just over 80 years ago. After the four torpedoes from the German submarine U-68, 41 sailors were killed. Among the divers laying the wreath was Graham Sim, 84, well done.

Photos: Karl Thrower

