

LtKEFALONIAN INTERNATIONAL ORGANIZATION-MEETING

23rd May 2019

Many Thanks to everyone who attended our 1st local meeting a Aliti's Bar in Katelios, Roy & Allison Harrison, Martin Fido, Bell Noon and others for attending.

Some of the issues which were discussed included:

- KIO president Nikki Dimitratou announced how part of Mouda Beach near Katelios would be a marine 'Nature Reserve' from end of June 2019 .This reserve would be a officially protected area for wildlife and Nature, and this would be supported through the Greek Government and EEC
- 3 Mayor Municipalities which would come into being after early June
- How each of the current Mayoral candidates had drawn up plans for the Island which would contain how Greek and EEC funding would be used in developing and improving the Island. So far Mr Parisis has published his own 2 year plan. One other candidate has produced a 4 year plan which is not yet public.
- Overall, the plans were likely to include improvements with the Island's infrastructure e.g. road improvement, 2 additional water purification plants, animal welfare, conservation etc.
- The meeting discussed how the “international communities” influence and concerns could be more effective if it was better organized e.g. KIO. This would also include a campaign of voter registration, for international residents so they can have better representation and say in the affairs of Kefalonia, whichever of the 3 Mayor’s were voted into power.
- Mr Roy Harrison mentioned the issue with ownership of the British Cemetery in Drapanos.
- Mr Martin Fido welcome the development with Nature Reserve at Mouda.

Meeting closed by President KIO who hoped to welcome further involvement from international residents living in Katelios/ Scala areas in the future.