THE STATES assembled on Wednesday, 4th December 2002 at 9.30 a.m. under the Presidency of the Bailiff, Sir Philip Bailhache.

His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, Air Chief Marshal Sir John Cheshire, K.B.E., C.B., was present

All members were present with the exception of -

Francis Herbert Amy, Connétable of Grouville - ill.

Prayers read by the Greffier of the States

Budget 2003

THE STATES allowed the Treasurer of the States to be present in the Chamber during the debate.

THE STATES resumed consideration of the Budget 2003, and adopted an amendment of Deputy Geoffrey Peter Southern of St. Helier regarding the estimates of the Education Committee (P.218/2002 lodged "au Greffe" on 19th November 2002), that -

in the estimates of revenue expenditure of the Education Committee - the estimate of peripatetic, psychological and welfare services be increased by £51,500 from £568,200 to £619,700 by reducing the estimate for ICT support from £1,624,400 to £1,572,900.

Members present voted as follows -

"Pour" (38)

Senators

Horsfall, Le Maistre, Stein, Syvret, Norman, Walker, Kinnard, Le Sueur, Le Claire, Lakeman.

Connétables

St. Martin, St. Ouen, St. Brelade, St. Mary, St. John, St. Peter, St. Clement, Trinity.

Deputies

H. Baudains(C), S. Baudains(H), Trinity, Duhamel(S), Breckon(S), Huet(H), St. John, Le Main(F St. Peter, St. Ouen, G. Baudains(C), Dorey(H), Troy(B), Scott Warren(S), Farnham(S), Ozouf(H), F (H), Bridge(H), Martin(H), Southern(H).

"Contre" (1)

Deputy

Voisin(L).

One member abstained from voting.

THE STATES, having further considered the estimates of the revenue expenditure and income of the various

Committees, decided to allow the said estimates as detailed in the undermentioned pages of the budget as follows -

Education Committee as amended - Pages 24 to 27

Public Services Committee - Pages 28 to 30

THE STATES commenced consideration of the estimates of the revenue expenditure and income of the Agriculture and Fisheries Committee and of an amendment of Deputy Geoffrey Peter Southern of St. Helier that the sum of £184,000 be added to the estimate of revenue expenditure to enable the dairy industry to provide free school milk.

THE STATES granted leave to the Connétable of St. Helier to withdraw an amendment to the amendment that after the words "free school milk" there be inserted the words "by reducing the estimate for marketing support from £1,424,700 to £1,240,700.

After discussion, the States granted leave to Deputy Geoffrey Peter Southern of St. Helier to withdraw the amendment on an undertaking by Senator Frank Harrison Walker, President of the Finance and Economics Committee, that that Committee would fund school milk for a period of three months to 31st March 2003 from the General Reserve to allow the States time to consider this matter separately at a later date.

THE STATES, having further considered the estimates of the revenue expenditure and income of the various Committees, decided to allow the said estimates as detailed in the undermentioned pages of the budget as follows

Agriculture and Fisheries Committee - Pages 31 to 33

Tourism Committee - Pages 34 to 36

Home Affairs Committee - Pages 37 to 40

Employment and Social Security Committee - Pages 41 to 43

Housing Committee - Pages 44 to 46

Privileges and Procedures Committee - Page 47

Legislation Committee - Page 47

Sport, Leisure and Recreation Committee Pages 48 to 50

Etat Civil Committee - Pages 51 and 53

Overseas Aid Committee - Pages 51 and 53

Gambling Control Committee - Pages 52 and 53

Harbours and Airport Committee - La Collette Reclamation Scheme - Pages 52 and 53

Special Committee to consider the relationship between Committees and the States - Page 52

TRADING COMMITTEES

Harbours and Airport Committee Harbours - Pages 55 to 57 Airport - Pages 58 to 60 Telecommunications Board - Pages 61 to 63

Committee for Postal Administration - Pages 64 to 66

Public Services Committee Car Parks Trading Account - Pages 67 to 68

THE STATES noted a credit of revenue expenditure for each of the undermentioned Committees as shown on page 3 of the Budget-

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Policy and Resources Committee	3,321,600
Finance and Economics Committee	41,671,300
Human Resources Committee	3,226,800
Planning and Environment Committee	2,568,100
Industries Committee	1,438,400
Health and Social Services	107,736,800
Education Committee	75,087,800
Public Services Committee	17,818,600
Agriculture and Fisheries Committee	8,214,200
Tourism Committee	8,094,300
Home Affairs Committee	32,165,700
Employment and Social Security Committee	81,561,300
Housing Committee	1,353,400
Privileges and Procedures Committee	413,900
Legislation Committee	47,000
Sport, Leisure and Recreation Committee	4,364,100
Etat Civil Committee	76,300
Overseas Aid Committee	4,602,900
Gambling Control Committee	(13,200)
-	(124,700)
Harbours and Airport Committee - La Collette Reclamation Scheme	0.000
Special Committee to consider the	9,800

relationship between Committees and the States

THE STATES, referring to the summary of income and revenue expenditure appearing on page 73, agreed the total revenue expenditure in the sum of £572,967,730, being £88,172,200 from trading committees, £456,795,530 from non-trading committees and £28,000,000 repayment of capital debt; the total income, excluding transfers from the Capital Fund, in the sum of £212,408,930, being £117,347,800 from trading committees, £90,526,530 from non-trading committees, £3,900,000 return from the Financial Services Commission and £634,600 interest received on capital debt; and, having allowed for the total interest income in the sum £7,000,000 and the estimated transfer to the trading funds of the trading committees of £22,881,600, agreed the amount to be transferred to the General Reserve in the sum of £27,731,000.

THE STATES noted that on the basis of levels of taxation proposed by the Finance and Economics Committee the balance on the revenue account amounted to £30,609,690.

Having allowed for a balance of £26,830,900 to be brought forward at 1st January 2003 and taking into account the capital repayments and receipts of £29,059,800, the States noted that there would be available in the capital fund the sum of £86,500,390. No transfer to the Strategic Reserve was to be made.

THE STATES then proceeded to consider the estimates of capital expenditure recommended by the Finance and Economics Committee on pages 70 and 71 of the Budget and -

NON-TRADING COMMITTEES

The estimate of the capital expenditure of the Finance and Economics Committee appearing on page 70 of the Budget was allowed.

The estimate of the capital expenditure of the Housing Committee appearing on page 70 of the Budget was allowed.

The estimate of the capital expenditure of the Policy and Resources Committee appearing on page 70 of the Budget was allowed.

The estimate of the capital expenditure of the Planning and Environment Committee appearing on page 70 of the Budget was allowed.

The estimate of the capital expenditure of the Health and Social Services Committee appearing on page 70 of the Budget was allowed.

The estimate of the capital expenditure of the Education Committee appearing on page 70 of the Budget was allowed.

The estimate of the capital expenditure of the Public Services Committee appearing on page 71 of the Budge was allowed.

The estimate of the capital expenditure of the Industries Committee appearing on page 71 of the Budget was allowed.

The estimate of the capital expenditure of the Home Affairs Committee appearing on page 71 of the Budge was allowed.

The estimate of the capital expenditure of the Agriculture and Fisheries Committee appearing on page 71 of the Budget was allowed.

The estimate of the capital expenditure of the Sport, Leisure and Recreation Committee appearing on page 71

of the Budget was allowed.

The estimate of the capital expenditure of the Tourism Committee appearing on page 71 of the Budget was allowed.

THE STATES noted that the amount to be voted from the Capital Fund was £46,248,000.

THE STATES noted the sum of £1,000,000 funded from Loan Sanction (Magistrate's Court and Royal Court Refurbishment - balance) appearing on page 71 of the budget, and Loan Sanction Repayments in the amounts of £1,000,000 for the Magistrate's Court and Royal Court Refurbishment: £4,000,000 for Hautlieu School, and £14,000 for unallocated minor works, appearing on page 71 of the budget.

THE STATES then proceeded to consider the estimates of capital expenditure to be financed from the Trading Funds on page 72 of the Budget and-

the estimates of the capital expenditure of the Harbours and Airport Committee in respect of the Harbours and of the Airport appearing on page 72 of the Budget were allowed;

the estimate of the capital expenditure of the Telecommunications Board on page 72 was allowed;

the estimate of the capital expenditure of the Committee for Postal Administration appearing on page 72 was allowed.

THE STATES approved the said estimates totalling £27,006,000.

THE STATES, having noted the estimated transactions of the Trading Funds, decided to allow the said estimates as detailed in the undermentioned pages of the Budget as follows -

TRADING FUNDS

Harbours - Page 57 Airport - Page 60 Telecommunications Board - Page 63 Committee for Postal Administration - Page 66 Public Services Committee Car Parks Trading Account - Page 68.

The Treasurer of the States then retired from the Chamber and the States allowed the Comptroller of Income Tax and the Deputy Agent of the Impôts to be present in the Chamber.

THE STATES commenced consideration of the estimates of income to be produced from taxation appearing on page 2 of the Budget and rejected an amendment by Deputy Jeremy Laurence Dorey of St. Helier that the estimates of income for Vehicle Registration Duty in the sum of £3,000,000 be disallowed.

Members present voted as follows -

"Pour" (9)

Senators

Norman.

Deputies

Breckon(S), St. Martin, St. John, G. Baudains(C), Dorey(H), Scott Warren(S), Le Hérissier(S), Mart (H).

"Contre" (41)

Senators

Le Maistre, Stein, Quérée, Bailhache, Syvret, Walker, Kinnard, Le Sueur, Le Claire, Lakeman.

Connétables

St. Martin, St. Ouen, St. Saviour, St. Brelade, St. Lawrence, St. Mary, St. John, St. Peter, St. Cle St. Helier, Trinity.

Deputies

H. Baudains(C), St. Mary, S. Baudains(H), Trinity, Duhamel(S), Routier(H), Layzell(B), Huet(H Le Main(H), Vibert(B), St. Peter, Dubras(L), St. Ouen, Troy(B), Voisin(L), Farnham(S), Ozouf(H), Fc (H), Bridge(H), Southern(H).

THE STATES then adjourned, having rejected a proposition of Deputy Michael Edward Vibert of St. Brelade to continue the present meeting until 7.00 p.m., agreed that outstanding matters in the Budget and other items of public business should stand over until Thursday 5th December 2002.

THE STATES rose at 6.25 p.m.

M.N. DE LA HAYE

Greffier of the States.