

THE STATES assembled on Tuesday 4th October 2022, at 9.30 a.m. under the Presidency of the Bailiff, Sir Timothy John Le Cocq.

All members were present at roll call with the exception of -

Connétable Karen Shenton-Stone of St. Martin – ill Deputy Louise Mary Catherine Doublet of St. Saviour – absent on States business Deputy Philip Francis Cyril Ozouf of St. Saviour – absent on States business Deputy Catherine Dolores Curtis of St. Helier Central – ill Deputy Lucy Kate Frances Stephenson of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter – absent on States business

Prayers

Standing Order 55A – remote participation

THE STATES, with reference to their Act dated 14th September 2021, in which they had agreed that, notwithstanding Standing Order 55A(1), members who did not wish to attend in the States Chamber might continue to take part in States meetings using Microsoft Teams (until the States had considered and voted upon a proposition to re-apply Standing Order 55A(1) or to repeal or vary the terms of the Standing Order), assembled in accordance with Standing Order 55A with members able to participate remotely using Microsoft Teams. No members participated remotely in the meeting.

Subordinate enactments tabled

The following enactments were tabled, namely –

Sanctions and Asset-Freezing (Amendment - Automatic Implementation of UK	R&O.90/2022.
Sanctions on Russia) (Jersey) Order 2022.	
Minister for External Relations and Financial Services.	

Employment (Minimum Wage) (Repeal and Amendment No. 16) (Jersey) Order R&O.91/2022. 2022. *Minister for Social Security.*

States of Jersey (Ministerial Offices) Order 2022.R&O.92/2022.Chief Minister.R

Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture (2023 Fees) (Jersey) OrderR&O.93/2022.2022.Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture.Revenue:

Documents presented

Cost of living crisis – measures affecting Andium Homes rent increases (P.92/2022): P.92/2022. comments. Com. Presented: 4th October 2022, *Council of Ministers*.

States of Jersey Law 2005: Delegation of functions – Minister for the Environment – Assistant Minister. Presented: 27th September 2022, <i>Minister for the Environment</i> .	R.129/2022.
States of Jersey Law 2005: Delegation of functions – Minister for Children and Education – Assistant Ministers. Presented: 27th September 2022, <i>Minister for Children and Education</i> .	R.130/2022.
States Investment Strategies. Presented: 27th September 2022, <i>Minister for Treasury and Resources</i> .	R.131/2022.
Minimum wage increase in November 2022 and offset rates in January 2023. Presented: 28th September 2022, <i>Minister for Social Security</i> .	R.132/2022.
A better way to be our best: a plan for turnaround and transformation of Health and Community Services (HCS). Presented: 4th October 2022, <i>Minister for Health and Social Services</i> .	R.133/2022.
Report on the revised forecast of States income for Spring and Summer 2022. Presented: 4th October 2022, <i>Minister for Treasury and Resources</i> .	R.134/2022.
Review into Fuel Prices in Jersey 2022. Presented: 4th October 2022, <i>Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture</i> .	R.135/2022.
Notification of lodged propositions	
Re-instatement of Senators (P.79/2022): amendment Lodged: 22nd September 2022, Deputy K.F. Morel of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity.	P.79/2022. Amd.
Health and Safety Appeal Tribunal: Appointment of Chair and Deputy Chair. Lodged: 23rd September 2022, <i>Minister for Social Security</i> .	P.95/2022.
Draft Children and Young People (Amendment) (Jersey) Law 202 Lodged: 3rd October 2022, <i>Minister for Children and Education</i> .	P.96/2022.

Proposed Government Plan 2023-2026.P.97/2022.Lodged: 4th October 2022, Council of Ministers.P.98/2022.Common Strategic Policy.P.98/2022.

Common Strategic Policy. Lodged: 4th October 2022, *Council of Ministers*.

Withdrawal of lodged propositions

THE STATES noted that, in accordance with Standing Order 34(1), the proposers of the following propositions lodged "au Greffe" had informed the Greffier of the States that they had been withdrawn –

Rent Control Tribunal: Nomination of Chairman and Members Lodged: 17th August 2022, <i>Minister for Housing and Communities</i> .	P.86/2022.
Draft Marriage and Civil Partnership (Amendment) (Jersey) Law 202	P.88/2022.
Lodged: 22nd August 2022, <i>Minister for Home Affairs</i> .	(re-issue)

Trainee Minimum Wage Lodged: 13th September 2022, *Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North.* P.93/2022.

Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel – resignation of member

The Bailiff notified the Assembly that, in accordance with Standing Order 137(2), he had received a letter of resignation from the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel from Deputy Carina Soares Alves of St. Helier Central.

Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel – appointment of members

In accordance with Standing Order 125(7) the Chair of the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel indicated that he wished to increase the size of the Panel to 4 members, including the Chair, and nominated the following as members of the Panel -

Deputy Robert James Ward of St. Helier Central Deputy Lyndon John Farnham of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter

There being no other nominations, the Bailiff declared that Deputy Robert James Ward of St. Helier Central and Deputy Lyndon John Farnham of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter had been duly appointed as members of the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel.

Written Questions

(see Official Report/Hansard)

- WQ.168/2022 1. The Chief Minister had tabled an answer on 27th September 2022 to a question asked by the Connétable of St. Martin regarding the use of public expertise and engagement in the formation of policy.
- WQ.169/2022 2. The Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture had tabled an answer on 27th September 2022 to a question asked by the Connétable of St. Martin regarding hosting a time-trial stage as part of a Union Cycliste Internationale (U.C.I.) accredited stage race.
- WQ.170/2022 3. The Minister for the Environment had tabled an answer on 27th September 2022 to a question asked by the Connétable of St. Martin regarding an update on actions approved by the States Assembly as part of 'Actions to Mitigate the Use of Palm Oil' (P.99/2021).
- WQ.171/2022 4. The Minister for Treasury and Resources had tabled an answer on 27th September 2022 to a question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North regarding tax generated by High Value Residents since the inception of the regime.
- WQ.172/2022 5. The Minister for Treasury and Resources had tabled an answer on 27th September 2022 to a question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North regarding Stamp Duty payable per year since 2012.
- WQ.173/2022 6. The Minister for Treasury and Resources had tabled an answer on 27th September 2022 to a question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North regarding what additional financial support university students could expect from the Government during the current period of high inflation.
- WQ.174/2022 7. The Minister for Health and Social Services had tabled an answer on 27th September 2022 to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier Central regarding free healthcare.

WQ.175/2022 8. The Chief Minister had tabled an answer on 27th September 2022 to a question asked by Deputy C.D. Curtis of St. Helier Central regarding High Value Residents purchasing properties. WQ.176/2022 9 The Minister for Treasury and Resources had tabled an answer on 27th September 2022 to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central regarding income exceeding forecasts in the current Government Plan 2022-25. WQ.177/2022 10. The Minister for Children and Education had tabled an answer on 27th September 2022 to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central regarding plans for a North of St. Helier Youth Centre. WQ.178/2022 11. The Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture had tabled an answer on 27th September 2022 to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central regarding the development of Springfield Stadium and long-term financial support for the Jersey Bulls football team. WQ.179/2022 12. The Assistant Chief Minister had tabled an answer on 27th September 2022 to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South regarding annual expenditure on Communications and the number of staff employed in Communications. WQ.180/2022 13. The Minister for Treasury and Resources had tabled an answer on 27th September 2022 to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South regarding incorporating a greater proportion of affordable housing in the planned development on South Hill. WQ.181/2022 14. The Minister for the Environment had tabled an answer on 27th September 2022 to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South regarding minimum health and safety standards in the private rental market. WQ.182/2022 15. The Minister for the Environment had tabled an answer on 3rd October 2022 to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade regarding the St. Brelade's Improvement Plan. WQ.183/2022 16. The Minister for the Environment had tabled an answer on 3rd October 2022 to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central regarding RD100 fuel. WQ.184/2022 17. The Minister for the Health and Social Services had tabled an answer on 3rd October 2022 to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central regarding strategies for cancer and dementia care. WQ.185/2022 18. The Minister for Children and Education had tabled an answer on 3rd October 2022 to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central regarding the processing of student finance claims. WO.186/2022 19. The Minister for Infrastructure had tabled an answer on 3rd October 2022 to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding traffic-calming measures in St. Brelade. WQ.187/2022 20. The Minister for Social Security had tabled an answer on 3rd October 2022 to a question asked by Deputy R.S. Kovacs of St. Saviour regarding the Long-Term Care Scheme. WQ.188/2022 21. The Minister for Treasury and Resources had tabled an answer on 3rd October 2022 to a question asked by Deputy R.S. Kovacs of St. Saviour regarding the Goods and Services Tax de minimis level.

- WQ.189/2022 22. The Minister for Housing and Communities had tabled an answer on 3rd October 2022 to a question asked by Deputy R.S. Kovacs of St. Saviour regarding the development of residential units on the St. Saviour's Hospital site.
- WQ.190/2022 23. The Minister for Housing and Communities had tabled an answer on 3rd October 2022 to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South regarding applications for social rented housing on the Affordable Housing Gateway.
- WQ.191/2022 24. The Chair of the States Employment Board had tabled an answer on 3rd October 2022 to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South regarding public sector wages.
- WQ.192/2022 25. The Minister for Home Affairs had tabled an answer on 3rd October 2022 to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South regarding the number of prosecutions for the possession of cannabis.
- WQ.193/2022 26. The Chair of the States Employment Board had tabled an answer on 3rd October 2022 to a question asked by Deputy L.V. Feltham of St. Helier Central regarding Government productivity.
- WQ.194/2022 27. The Minister for Home Affairs had tabled an answer on 3rd October 2022 to a question asked by Deputy L.V. Feltham of St. Helier Central regarding the staffing of her department.
- WQ.195/2022 28. The Minister for Health and Social Services had tabled an answer on 3rd October 2022 to a question asked by Deputy L.V. Feltham of St. Helier Central regarding the staffing of her department.

Oral Questions

(see Official Report/Hansard)

- OQ.93/2022 1. Deputy R.J. Ward of St Helier Central asked a question of the Minister for Infrastructure regarding the sale of LibertyBus from the HCT Group to Tower Transit.
- OQ.98/2022 2. Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier Central asked a question of the Minister for Social Security regarding the Health Access Scheme.
- OQ.96/2022 3. Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South asked a question of the Minister for the Environment regarding the target to reach net-zero carbon emissions by 2050.
- OQ.95/2022 4. Deputy L.V. Feltham of St. Helier Central asked a question of the Chief Minister regarding the licensing of new businesses.
- OQ.94/2022 5. Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central asked a question of the Minister for Children and Education regarding shortages in specialist subject teachers.
- OQ.99/2022 6. Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier Central asked a question of the Minister for Social Security regarding the Health Insurance Fund.
- OQ.97/2022 7. Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South asked a question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources regarding the delivery of affordable homes at South Hill and on the Waterfront.

Oral Questions without notice

(see Official Report/Hansard)

The Minister for Housing and Communities answered questions without notice from members.

The Minister for Infrastructure answered questions without notice from members.

The Chief Minister answered questions without notice from members.

Personal statement

(see Official Report/Hansard)

The Minister for Housing and Communities made a statement regarding the implementation of 'Empty Property Tax' (P.48/2022).

Jersey Police Complaints Authority – Appointment of Members P.87/2022

THE STATES, adopting a proposition of the Minister for Home Affairs entitled 'Jersey Police Complaints Authority – Appointment of Members' (P.87/2022) agreed, in accordance with Article 2 of, and the Schedule to, the Police (Complaints and Discipline) (Jersey) Law 1999, to appoint the following persons as members of the Jersey Police Complaints Authority for a period of 3 years, commencing immediately –

Blake Albert Allison Le Couteur Jenna Newlands

Members present voted as follows -

POUR: 39

CONTRE: 0

ABSTAIN: 0

Connétable of St. Lawrence Connétable of St. Brelade Connétable of St. Peter Connétable of St. John Connétable of St. Clement Connétable of Grouville Connétable of St. Ouen Connétable of St. Mary Connétable of St. Saviour Deputy G..P. Southern Deputy C.F. Labey Deputy K.F. Morel Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat Deputy S.M. Ahier Deputy R.J. Ward Deputy C.S. Alves Deputy I. Gardiner Deputy I.J. Gorst Deputy K.L. Moore Deputy S.Y. Mézec Deputy P.M. Bailhache Deputy T.A. Coles Deputy B.B.S.V.M. Porée

Deputy D.J. Warr Deputy H.M. Miles Deputy M.R. Scott Deputy J. Renouf Deputy L.V. Feltham Deputy R.E. Binet Deputy H.L. Jeune Deputy M.E. Millar Deputy A. Howell Deputy T.J.A. Binet Deputy M.R. Ferey Deputy R.S. Kovacs Deputy A.F. Curtis Deputy B. Ward Deputy K.M. Wilson Deputy M.B. Andrews

4th October 2022

Cost of living crisis – Measures affecting Andium homes rent increases P.92/2022

THE STATES commenced consideration of a proposition of Deputy Robert James Ward of St. Helier Central entitled 'Cost of living crisis – Measures affecting Andium homes rent increases' (P.92/2022) and rejected a proposition of Deputy Inna Gardiner of St. Helier North that, in accordance with Standing Order 85, the Assembly move to the consideration of the next item on the Order Paper.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 19	CONTRE: 20	ABSTAIN: 2
Connétable of St. Peter Connétable of St. John Connétable of St. Clement Deputy K.F. Morel Deputy I. Gardiner Deputy I.J. Gorst Deputy K.L. Moore Deputy D.J. Warr Deputy H.M. Miles Deputy J. Renouf Deputy R.E. Binet Deputy R.E. Binet Deputy M.E. Millar Deputy M.E. Millar Deputy A. Howell Deputy T.J.A. Binet Deputy M.R. Ferey Deputy A.F. Curtis Deputy B. Ward Deputy K.M. Wilson	Connétable of St. Helier Connétable of St. Brelade Connétable of Trinity Connétable of Grouville Connétable of St. Ouen Connétable of St. Ouen Connétable of St. Mary Connétable of St. Saviour Deputy GP. Southern Deputy M. Tadier Deputy S.G. Luce Deputy S.G. Luce Deputy S.G. Luce Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat Deputy S.M. Ahier Deputy S.M. Ahier Deputy R.J. Ward Deputy C.S. Alves Deputy S.Y. Mézec Deputy S.Y. Mézec Deputy B.B.S.V.M. Porée Deputy L.V. Feltham Deputy R.S. Kovacs	Deputy C.F. Labey Deputy M.R. Scott
	Deputy M.B. Andrews	

THE STATES, resuming consideration of the proposition of Deputy Robert James Ward of St. Helier Central, rejected the proposition that tenants of Andium Homes who downsized within the Andium estate, or who moved from one Andium property into another refurbished Andium home, should not face inappropriate sudden increases in rent upon moving and to request the Minister for Treasury and Resources, as shareholder representative, to instruct Andium Homes to implement a scheme whereby any increase in rent in such circumstances was suspended for 1 year from the start of the new tenancy, with any such increase then introduced incrementally over a period of between 5 and 10 years depending upon the tenant's ability to pay.

Members present voted as follows -

POUR: 16	CONTRE: 24	ABSTAIN: 2
Connétable of St. Clement Connétable of Grouville Connétable of St. Saviour Deputy GP. Southern Deputy M. Tadier Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat Deputy R.J. Ward Deputy C.S. Alves Deputy S.Y. Mézec Deputy T.A. Coles Deputy B.B.S.V.M. Porée Deputy M.R. Scott Deputy M.R. Scott Deputy L.V. Feltham Deputy H.L. Jeune Deputy R.S. Kovacs Deputy M.B. Andrews	Connétable of St. Helier Connétable of St. Brelade Connétable of Trinity Connétable of St. Peter Connétable of St. John Connétable of St. Ouen Connétable of St. Mary Deputy C.F. Labey Deputy S.G. Luce Deputy S.G. Luce Deputy S.M. Ahier Deputy I. Gardiner Deputy I. Gardiner Deputy I.J. Gorst Deputy L.J Farnham Deputy K.L. Moore Deputy D.J. Warr Deputy H.M. Miles Deputy J. Renouf Deputy R.E. Binet Deputy M.E. Millar Deputy T.J.A. Binet	Deputy A. Howell Deputy B. Ward
	Deputy 1.5.71. Dillet	

Review into Fuel Prices in Jersey 2022 R.135/2022

THE STATES, on the proposition of the Minister for Treasury and Resources, resolved to sit in Committee, in order to discuss 'Review into Fuel Prices in Jersey 2022' (R.135/2022), presented by the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture on 4th October 2022.

Deputy M.R. Ferey Deputy A.F. Curtis Deputy K.M. Wilson

Arrangement of public business for future meetings

THE STATES agreed the following arrangement of public business for future meetings proposed, as amended, by the Vice-Chair of the Privileges and Procedures Committee in accordance with the provisions of Standing Order 88(3) –

1st November 2022

Draft Income Support (Amendment No. 22) (Jersey) Regulations 202	P.94/2022.
Lodged: 20th September 2022, <i>Minister for Social Security</i> .	(re-issue).
Health and Safety Appeal Tribunal: Appointment of Chair and Deputy Chair. Lodged: 23rd September 2022, <i>Minister for Social Security</i> .	P.95/2022.

STATES MINUTES

22nd November 2022

Re-instatement of Senators. Lodged: 27th June 2022, Deputy I.J. Gorst of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter.	P.79/2022. (re-issue)
Re-instatement of Senators (P.79/2022): amendment. Lodged: 22nd September 2022, Deputy K.F. Morel of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity.	P.79/2022. Amd.
Draft Children and Young People (Amendment) (Jersey) Law 202 Lodged: 3rd October 2022, <i>Minister for Children and Education</i> .	P.96/2022.
Common Strategic Policy. Lodged: 4th October 2022, <i>Council of Ministers</i> .	P.98/2022.
<u>13th December 2022</u>	
Proposed Government Plan 2023-2026. Lodged: 4th October 2022, <i>Council of Ministers</i> .	P.97/2022.

THE STATES rose at 3.56 p.m.

W.J.C. MILLOW

Deputy Greffier of the States