BUS STRATEGY (P.104/2001): SECOND AMENDMENTS

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- (1) In paragraph (a), after the words "to agree that", insert the words, "in relation to bus services from autumn 2003 onwards".
- (2) In paragraph (b), after the words "to agree that", insert the words ", beginning with the consideration of licence applications after the summer of 2003,".
- (3) After paragraph (b), insert -
 - "(c) to charge the Public Services Committee to negotiate with JerseyBus to ensure that in the intervening period, services provided to the customer broadly match those available in 1999-2000".
- (4) At the end of paragraph (d), add the words ", including any subsidies which may be required to satisfy paragraph (c) above."
- (5) Re-letter paragraphs accordingly.

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Report

The Island community is faced with the very real possibility of there being no bus service at all during the coming winter. In addition, it seems clear that a revision of the 1935 Law, allowing for extended licences under a Service Level Agreement, will take significant time and resources.

My amendment to the strategy is to allow all sides in the current dispute to retreat with honour from what appear to be entrenched positions, and also to give the Committee a clear timetable for constructive negotiation and action.

I do not believe that the financial implications of the amendment will be any greater than those arising out of the strategy itself. There are no manpower implications.