

# **STATES OF JERSEY**



## **STATES MEMBERS' PARKING**

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**Lodged au Greffe on 11th November 2004  
by the Environment and Public Services Committee**

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**STATES GREFFE**

## **PROPOSITION**

**THE STATES are asked to decide whether they are of opinion –**

- (a) to agree that, following the closure of the present parking area on the Island Site, States members should be provided with parking facilities in a dedicated area or areas to be identified by the Environment and Public Services Committee;
- (b) to agree that all members wishing to use spaces in the areas referred to in paragraph (a) above should be charged for the provision at a rate equivalent to the cost of season ticket parking in public car parks administered by the Committee.

**ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE**

## **REPORT**

There has been much debate concerning the location of alternative parking and whether States members should continue to receive free parking or whether they should pay and claim the cost as part of their remuneration package.

The existing car parking provision for States members on the Island site will no longer be available from 1st January 2005 as the site is being redeveloped. Clearly a way forward needs to be found.

When the States agreed as part of the then Public Services Committee's traffic policy in May 1994 that States members' cars should be removed from Royal Court Road, the view of that Committee was that the preferred permanent site would be Snow Hill. However, at that time the area was being used as part of the cavern development so the site behind the Tourism offices was identified as a short-term option prior to redevelopment.

The Committee has now reviewed a number of potential locations where members could park, including both public and Housing Department car parks. The most suitable location identified at present, as it was in the mid-1990s, is the existing area of non-public parking at Snow Hill. Currently this area is used by a number of States departments. A number of additional spaces of non-public parking could be made available at Sand Street. Until the exact number of spaces required is known, the extent to which Sand Street will be required is unknown, although it is stressed it is unlikely to have any effect on the availability of spaces for the public.

The Environment and Public Services Committee believes that States members should pay for their parking. The Privileges and Procedures Committee agrees with this. The Committee believes parking should be charged at the monthly season ticket price. The charge should be increased in line with future increases in season ticket rates.

The Committee does recognise that the issue of payment is contentious and opinions are divided. The Committee has worded the proposition in 2 parts and signals its intention to take a separate vote on each part of the proposition for a democratic decision to be taken.

### **Financial and manpower implications**

There are no manpower consequences. There will be some additional income from those spaces which currently do not generate any income. If all available places are taken up for the whole year, the estimated additional revenue to the Car Park Trading Fund is about £15,000.