

STATES OF JERSEY



ISLAND PLAN 2022-25: APPROVAL (P.36/2021) – FOURTEENTH AMENDMENT DOUBLE GLAZING

Lodged au Greffe on 12th July 2021
by the Deputy R. Huelin of St. Peter

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After the words “the draft Island Plan 2022-25” insert the words “except that -

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- (b) within Policy HE2, for the fifth paragraph there should be substituted the following –
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DEPUTY R. HUELIN OF ST PETER

Note: After this amendment, the proposition would read as follows –

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

to approve, in accordance with Article 3(1) of the Planning and Building (Jersey) Law 2002, as amended by the Covid-19 (Island Plan) (Jersey) Regulations 2021, the draft Island Plan 2022-25, “except that -

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REPORT

It is important to state at the outset that the historic environment is an important part of Jersey's heritage and that this amendment is brought to enhance, not destroy, that environment.

Part (a) of the amendment states that the double-glazing is "accommodated within the existing window or door joinery except where the glass to be replaced is historic glass." Part (b) of the amendment states that "replacements replicate the historic windows and doors ...". Given that any use of double-glazing must be on a "like-for-like" basis, the traditional character of the building is, therefore, maintained.

Whilst the use of double-glazing in historic buildings may be controversial, as the pictures below will evidence, there is no discernible visual impact when the double-glazing is correctly fitted. To illustrate the point can Members determine which window below is double-glazed and which is not? It is anticipated that Members will be unable to distinguish between the two!



Jersey has committed to achieving carbon neutrality by 2030 and, therefore, any steps that can be taken to assist in achieving this should be supported. By reducing heat loss

and subsequently reducing power usage, double-glazing provides improved insulation in a property. The draft Bridging island Plan (p.128) references several methods of improving the energy efficiency of existing windows rather than replace them with double-glazing but in reality, these methods prove ineffectual.

Members are asked to support this amendment.

Financial and manpower implications

There are no financial or manpower implications in relation to this amendment,

Child Rights Impact Assessment review

This amendment has been assessed in relation to the [Bridging Island Plan CRIA](#). It is considered that the consequences of this amendment might affect only a small number of children who live in historic buildings, and will have no negative effect on children.