



**THE STATES assembled on Tuesday
14th December 2021, at 9.30 a.m. under
the Presidency of the Bailiff,
Timothy John Le Cocq, Esquire.**

**His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor,
Air Chief Marshall Sir Stephen Dalton, G.C.B., LL.D. (Hon.), D.Sc. (Hon.), B.Sc., F.R.Ae.S.,
C.C.M.I. was present.**

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

Connétable Richard Vibert of St. Peter – excused attendance
Deputy Michael Roderick Higgins of St. Helier – excused attendance (joined at 12.01 p.m.)
Deputy Jeremy Martin Maçon of St. Saviour – excused attendance (joined at 10.09 a.m.)
Deputy Trevor Pointon of St. John – excused attendance (joined at 2.15 p.m.)
Deputy Jessica Harriet Perchard of St. Saviour – ill

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.

Documents presented

Changes to the objects and purpose of the Ann Alice Rayner Fund (P.92/2021) – P.92/2021.
comments. Com.(2).

Presented: 14th December 2021, *Minister for Treasury and Resources.*

Statements on a matter of official responsibility

(see Official Report/Hansard)

The Chief Minister made a statement regarding the proposition of the Council of Ministers entitled ‘Proposed Government Plan 2022-2025’ (P.90/2021).

THE STATES, adopting a proposition of Senator Samuel Yves Mézec, agreed, in accordance with Standing Order 68(3A), that the time allowed for questions regarding the contents of the statement would be extended by up to 15 minutes.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 31

CONTRE: 9

ABSTAIN: 0

Senator S.C. Ferguson	Connétable of St. Saviour
Senator J.A.N. Le Fondré	Connétable of St. Ouen
Senator T.A. Vallois	Deputy K.C. Lewis (S)
Senator K.L. Moore	Deputy S.J. Pinel (C)
Senator S.W. Pallett	Deputy R. Labey (H)
Senator S.Y. Mézec	Deputy L.B.E. Ash (C)
Connétable of St. Lawrence	Deputy G.C.U. Guida (L)
Connétable of St. Brelade	Deputy of St. Peter
Connétable of Grouville	Deputy of Trinity
Connétable of Trinity	
Connétable of St. Mary	
Connétable of St. Martin	
Connétable of St. John	
Connétable of St. Clement	
Deputy G.P. Southern (H)	
Deputy of Grouville	
Deputy M. Tadier (B)	
Deputy J.M. Maçon (S)	
Deputy of St. Martin	
Deputy of St. Ouen	
Deputy L.M.C. Doublet (S)	
Deputy S.M. Wickenden (H)	
Deputy of St. Mary	
Deputy G.J. Truscott (B)	
Deputy K.F. Morel (L)	
Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat (H)	
Deputy S.M. Ahier (H)	
Deputy R.J. Ward (H)	
Deputy C.S. Alves (H)	
Deputy K.G. Pamplin (S)	
Deputy I. Gardiner (H)	

Proposed Government Plan 2022-2025 P.90/2021

THE STATES commenced consideration of a proposition of the Council of Ministers entitled ‘Proposed Government Plan 2022-2025’ (P.90/2021) and, commencing consideration of an amendment of Senator Samuel Yves Mézec (P.90/2021 Amd.), adopted an amendment of the Minister for Housing and Communities (P.90/2021 Amd.Amd.) that –

in Part 1 of the amendment, for the words “£828,000 in 2022 to allow for a social housing rents policy whereby rents are” there should be substituted the words “£2,750,000 in 2022 to allow for a social housing rents policy whereby rents are frozen for 2022, and”, and after the words “80% of the market rate” there should be added the words “from 2022 onwards, and that Government shall continue to work with Andium to finalise a solution to minimise the impact on both Andium and the Consolidated Fund”; and

in Part 2 of the amendment, for the words “£497,000 to allow for a reduction in expenditure arising from a social housing rents policy whereby rents are” there should be substituted the words “£1,849,000 to allow for a reduction in expenditure arising from a social housing rents policy whereby rents are frozen for 2022 and”, and after the words “80% of the market rate” there should be added the words “onwards, and that the Head of Expenditure for Covid-19 Response be reduced by £901,000 to meet the net impact of the rent freeze”.

THE STATES, adopting the amendment of Senator Samuel Yves Mézec, as amended, agreed that –

in Paragraph (a), after the words “in line with Article 9(2)(a) of the Law” there should be inserted the words –

“, except that, in Summary Table 1 – States Income, the Return from Andium Homes and Housing Trusts shall be reduced by £2,750,000 in 2022 to allow for a social housing rents policy whereby rents are frozen for 2022, and capped at 80% of the market rate from 2022 onwards, and that Government shall continue to work with Andium to finalise a solution to minimise the impact on both Andium and the Consolidated Fund”;

in Paragraph (f), after the words “Appendix 2 – Summary Tables 5(i) and (ii) of the Report” there should be inserted the words –

“, except that, in Summary Table 5(i) – 2022 Revenue Heads of Expenditure, the Head of Expenditure for Customer and Local Services shall be decreased by £1,849,000 to allow for a reduction in expenditure arising from a social housing rents policy whereby rents are frozen for 2022 and capped at 80% of the market rate onwards, and that the Head of Expenditure for Covid-19 Response be reduced by £901,000 to meet the net impact of the rent freeze”; and

in Paragraph (l), after the words “Appendix 3 to the Report” there should be inserted the words –

“, except that, on page 139 of Appendix 3, after the words “A freeze in the rent levels” there should be inserted the words “(based on a policy that social housing rents should be set at 80% of the market rate)” in addition to any further changes to Appendix 3 identified as required by the Council of Ministers to reflect the implementation of such a policy”.

THE STATES, resumed consideration of the proposition of the Council of Ministers, as amended, and, adopting an amendment of the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel (P.90/2021 Amd.(7)), agreed that, in Paragraph (b), after the words “revised approvals” there should be inserted the words –

“, except that, in Summary Table 3, for the row entitled “Fiscal Stimulus, including Refinancing”, in the column headed “Change to Approval” there shall be inserted the figure “-20,359” and, in each of the columns headed 2022, 2023, 2024 and 2025, the figure “50,000” shall be replaced with “29,641”.

THE STATES, resumed consideration of the proposition of the Council of Ministers, as amended, and, adopting an amendment of the Minister for External Relations and Financial Services (P.90/2021 Amd.(14)), agreed that –

in Paragraph (e), after the words “Appendix 2 Summary Table 6” there should be inserted the words “, with amendments made as appropriate to reflect the establishment of the Ministry of External Relations as provided for in (f),”;

in Paragraph (f), after the words “Appendix 2 – Summary Tables 5(i) and (ii) of the Report” there should be inserted the words –

“, except that in summary table 5(i), an additional row should be inserted under ‘Departments’, with the name ‘Ministry of External Relations’, and with ‘145’ inserted under the column for ‘Income’, ‘2,918’ inserted under the column for ‘Expenditure Allocation’ and ‘2,918’ inserted in the column for ‘Head of Expenditure’, with the figures for the Office of the Chief Executive, within which External Relations is currently based, being adjusted down accordingly so that the formal establishment of the Ministry of External Relations in this Government Plan is cost neutral”; and

in Paragraph (l), after the words “Appendix 3 to the Report” there should be inserted the words “, with amendments made as appropriate, including in R.150/2021, to reflect the establishment of the Ministry of External Relations as provided for in (f)”.

THE STATES, resumed consideration of the proposition of the Council of Ministers, as amended, and, adopting an amendment of Senator Tracey Anne Vallois (P.90/2021 Amd.(4)), agreed that, in Paragraph (f), after the words “Appendix 2 – Summary Tables 5(i) and (ii) of the Report” there should be inserted the words –

“, except that in Summary Table 5(i), £772,650 should be transferred from the General Reserve Head of Expenditure to the Infrastructure, Housing and Environment Head of Expenditure to reinstate the original business case funding request for Regulatory Sustainability”.

THE STATES, resumed consideration of the proposition of the Council of Ministers, as amended, and, adopting an amendment of Deputy Inna Gardiner of St. Helier (P.90/2021 Amd.(5)), agreed that, in Paragraph (f), after the words “Appendix 2 – Summary Tables 5 (i) and (ii) to the Report” there should be inserted the words –

“, except that in Summary Table 5(i) –

- (i) the head of expenditure for Children, Young People, Education and Skills should be increased by £53,266 to allow the Youth Service to retain a full-time assistant youth worker to support the Inclusion Project; and
- (ii) the head of expenditure for Children, Young People, Education and Skills for 2022 should be increased by £27,000 to allow the Youth Service to employ an additional part-time assistant youth worker to support a 2-year pilot Transition Programme within the Inclusion Project;”.

THE STATES, resumed consideration of the proposition of the Council of Ministers, as amended, and, adopting an amendment of the Children, Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel (P.90/2021 Amd.(8)), agreed that, in Paragraph (f), after the words “set out in Appendix 2 – Summary Tables 5(i) and (ii) of the Report” there should be inserted the words –

“, except that, in Summary Table 5(i) – 2022 Revenue Heads of Expenditure, the Head of Expenditure for Children, Young People, Education and Skills shall be increased by £30,000 to allow for additional resources to reinstate the Jersey Child Care Trust’s full grant for 2022”.

THE STATES, resumed consideration of the proposition of the Council of Ministers, as amended, and, adopting an amendment of the Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel (P.90/2021 Amd.(9)), agreed that, in Paragraph (f), after the words “Appendix 2 - Summary Tables 5(i) and (ii) of the Report” there should be inserted the words –

“, except that, in Summary Table 5(i) - 2022 Revenue Heads of Expenditure, the General Reserve Head of Expenditure shall be decreased by £500,000 with the Head of Expenditure for Health and Community Services increased by the same amount in order to increase the 2022 allocation for Mental Health”.

THE STATES, resuming consideration of the proposition of the Council of Ministers, as amended, commenced consideration of an amendment of the Connétable of St. Martin (P.90/2021 Amd.(13)) and, adopting an amendment of the Minister for Home Affairs (P.90/2021 Amd.(13)Amd.), agreed that, after the words “from the General Reserve Head of Expenditure to the Head of Expenditure” the remaining words should be substituted with the words –

“for Strategic Policy, Planning and Performance, to facilitate and support the creation of a task force in relation to improving women’s safety, such body to collect views from Islanders and to develop and propose direct and achievable action points, to achieve that objective, to the new government for inclusion in the next government plan”.

THE STATES, adopting the amendment of the Connétable of St. Martin, as amended, agreed that, in Paragraph (f), after the words “Appendix 2 – Summary Tables 5(i) and (ii) of the Report” there should be inserted the words —

“, except that, in Summary Table 5(i) £200,000 should be transferred from the General Reserve Head of Expenditure to the Head of Expenditure for Strategic Policy, Planning and Performance, to facilitate and support the creation of a task force in relation to improving women’s safety, such body to collect views from Islanders and to develop and propose direct and achievable action points, to achieve that objective, to the new government for inclusion in the next government plan”.

THE STATES, resuming consideration of the proposition of the Council of Ministers, as amended, commenced consideration of an amendment of the Children, Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel (P.90/2021 Amd.(19)) and, adopting an amendment of the Children, Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel (P.90/2021 Amd.(19)Amd.), agreed that, for the words “Strategic Policy, Planning and Performance” there should be substituted the words “the Covid-19 Response”.

THE STATES, adopting the amendment of the Children, Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel, as amended, agreed that, in Paragraph (f), after the words “set out in Appendix 2 – Summary Tables 5(i) and (ii) of the Report” there should be inserted the words –

“except that, in Summary Table 5(i) – 2022 Revenue Heads of Expenditure, the Head of Expenditure for Children, Young People, Education and Skills shall be increased by £330,000 and the Head of Expenditure for the Covid-19 Response shall be reduced by £330,000 in order for funding identified to support Early Years within the Covid Health and Social Recovery Project to be placed within the base departmental budget for Children, Young People, Education and Skills.”.

THE STATES, resuming consideration of the proposition of the Council of Ministers, as amended, commenced consideration of an amendment of the Privileges and Procedures Committee (P.90/2021 Amd.(10)) and, adopting an amendment of the Council of Ministers (P.90/2021 Amd.(10)Amd.), agreed that Part 1 should be deleted and that, in Part 2, for the words “be increased by” there should be substituted the words “include, as part of the existing allocation,” and that, after the words “feasibility study of”, there should be inserted the words “appropriate sites including”.

THE STATES, adopting the amendment of the Privileges and Procedures Committee, as amended, agreed that, in Paragraph (f), after the words “Appendix 2 – Summary Tables 5(i) and (ii) of the Report” there should be inserted the words—

“, except that, in Summary Table 5(ii) – 2022 Revenue Heads of Expenditure, the Head of Expenditure for Central Planning Reserves shall include, as part of the existing allocation, £100,000 to allow for a feasibility study of appropriate sites including Piquet House for States Members office space.

THE STATES, resuming consideration of the proposition of the Council of Ministers, as amended, commenced consideration of an amendment of Deputy Inna Gardiner of St. Helier (P.90/2021 Amd.(23)) and, adopting an amendment of the Council of Ministers (P.90/2021 Amd.(23)Amd.), agreed that, after the words “Summary Table 5(ii),” the remainder of the paragraph should be substituted with the words “the Head of Expenditure for Central Planning Reserve shall include £150,000, as part of the existing allocation, for ‘First Tower playing field’”.

THE STATES, adopting the amendment of Deputy Inna Gardiner of St. Helier, as amended, agreed that, in Paragraph (f), after the words “Appendix 2 – Summary Tables 5(i) and (ii) to the Report” there should be inserted the words –

“, except that, in Summary Table 5(ii), the Head of Expenditure for Central Planning Reserve shall include £150,000, as part of the existing allocation, for ‘First Tower playing field’”.

THE STATES, resuming consideration of the proposition of the Council of Ministers, as amended, commenced consideration of an amendment of the Connétable of St. Brelade (P.90/2021 Amd.(26)) and, adopting an amendment of the Council of Ministers (P.90/2021 Amd.(26)Amd.), agreed that Part 1 should be deleted and that, in Part 2, for the words “the Climate Emergency Fund should be reduced by £250,000” there should be substituted the words “the proposed expenditure within the Climate Emergency Fund shall include an amount of up to £250,000”.

THE STATES, adopting the amendment of the Connétable of St. Brelade, as amended, agreed that, in Paragraph (j), after the words “Appendix 2 – Summary Tables 9 to the Report” there should be inserted the words “, except that the proposed expenditure within the Climate Emergency Fund shall include an amount of up to £250,000 to fund and implement an air quality monitoring policy to include provision of all necessary equipment”.

THE STATES, resuming consideration of the proposition of the Council of Ministers, as amended, commenced consideration of an amendment of the Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel (P.90/2021 Amd.(15)) and, adopting an amendment of the Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel (P.90/2021 Amd.(15)Amd.), agreed that, for the words “Regular updates on these workstreams should be regularly reported on to the independent JCM Programme board and the Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel” there should be substituted the words “Regular updates on these workstreams should be regularly reported on to the JCM Programme board; the Independent Oversight Board and the Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel”.

THE STATES, adopting the amendment of the Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel, as amended, agreed that, in Paragraph (l), after the words “as set out at Appendix 3 to the Report” there should be inserted the words –

“except that, on page 168 under “Health Insurance Fund” the following words be inserted:

The following safeguards and transparency measures will be put in place in relation to the establishment of the Jersey Care Model:

- The independent non-executive board (establishment of which was approved in P.114/2020) will be supported to publish a review of the Tranche 1 and the use of 2021 funding by the end of March 2022 at the very latest; and
- The digital health team within Modernisation and Digital establishes a protected, separately resourced sub-team (that includes a Manager grade role), to focus solely on the delivery of the Jersey Care Model digital systems, and the Digital Care Strategy. Regular updates on these workstreams should be regularly reported on to the JCM Programme board; the Independent Oversight Board and the Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel.

The following safeguards and transparency measures will be put in place in relation to the operation of, and any transfers made out of, the Health Insurance Fund:

- The Minister for Health and Social Services will annually publish a report, which will also be presented in advance to the Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel, to detail the information provided to the Minister for Social Security relating to the costs incurred on the Jersey Care Model that require a transfer of funds from the HIF;
- The Minister for Social Security will publish a report, within 2 weeks of any transfer, to detail how any funds transferred out of the HIF for the purposes of the JCM or its related digital strategies costs have been verified;
- An actuarial review of the Health Insurance Fund (HIF) is prioritised in 2022 and will include:

- specific analysis of the use of the HIF for the purposes of the Jersey Care Model and its related digital strategies;
 - Consideration of the impact of all withdrawals on the fund since 2020; and
 - The future of the HIF, should withdrawals take place as per envisaged by P.130/2020.
- As part of the wider review of sustainable healthcare funding to be undertaken in 2022, there will be a specific consideration to repaying the HIF (from the Consolidated Fund) for funding withdrawn for the establishment of the Jersey Care Model and its related digital strategies if no sustainable healthcare funding is operational by 2025.”

THE STATES, resuming consideration of the proposition of the Council of Ministers, as amended, commenced consideration of an amendment of the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel (P.90/2021 Amd.(22)) and rejected an amendment of the Minister for Treasury and Resources (P.90/2021 Amd.(22)Amd.) that –

in Part 1, after the words “the proposed taxation and impôts duties changes to include the introduction,” the word “following” should be deleted; the words “subject to” should be inserted after the words “following a review by the Minister for Treasury and Resources and no later than”; and the date “1st January 2024” should be substituted for the date “31st December 2022”; and

in Part 2, after the words “this review will conclude in 2022.” there should be inserted the words “Subject to the outcome of this review, the Minister for Treasury and Resources will propose a higher rate of Stamp Duty for ‘Buy to Let’ investment properties, second homes and holiday homes no later than 1st January 2024.”.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 18

Senator L.J. Farnham
 Senator S.C. Ferguson
 Senator J.A.N. Le Fondré
 Connétable of St. Brelade
 Connétable of Trinity
 Connétable of St. Ouen
 Connétable of St. Clement
 Deputy J.A. Martin (H)
 Deputy K.C. Lewis (S)
 Deputy J.M. Maçon (S)
 Deputy S.J. Pinel (C)
 Deputy of St. Ouen
 Deputy R. Labey (H)
 Deputy S.M. Wickenden (H)
 Deputy L.B.E. Ash (C)
 Deputy G.C.U. Guida (L)
 Deputy of St. Peter
 Deputy of Trinity

CONTRE: 23

Senator T.A. Vallois
 Senator K.L. Moore
 Senator S.W. Pallett
 Senator S.Y. Mézec
 Connétable of St. Helier
 Connétable of St. Lawrence
 Connétable of St. Saviour
 Connétable of St. Mary
 Connétable of St. Martin
 Connétable of St. John
 Deputy G.P. Southern (H)
 Deputy M.R. Higgins (H)
 Deputy of St. Martin
 Deputy L.M.C. Doublet (S)
 Deputy of St. Mary
 Deputy G.J. Truscott (B)
 Deputy J.H. Young (B)
 Deputy K.F. Morel (L)
 Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat (H)
 Deputy S.M. Ahier (H)
 Deputy R.J. Ward (H)
 Deputy K.G. Pamplin (S)
 Deputy I. Gardiner (H)

ABSTAIN: 0

THE STATES, adopting the amendment of the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel, agreed that –

in Paragraph (a), after the words “Article 9(2)(a) of the Law” there should be inserted the words –

“, with the proposed taxation and impôts duties changes to include the introduction, following a review by the Minister for Treasury and Resources and no later than 31st December 2022, of a higher Stamp Duty rate for ‘Buy to Let’ investment properties, second homes and holiday homes”; and

in Paragraph (l), after the words “to the Report” there should be inserted the words –

“, except that, on page 155 of Appendix 3, after the words “this review will conclude in 2022.” there shall be inserted the words “The Minister for Treasury and Resources will introduce a higher Stamp Duty rate for ‘Buy to Let’ investment properties, second homes and holiday homes no later than 31 December 2022.”, in addition to any further changes to Appendix 3 identified as required by the Council of Ministers to reflect the implementation of such a policy”.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 35**CONTRE: 11****ABSTAIN: 0**

Senator I.J. Gorst
 Senator S.C. Ferguson
 Senator T.A. Vallois
 Senator K.L. Moore
 Senator S.W. Pallett
 Senator S.Y. Mézec
 Connétable of St. Helier
 Connétable of St. Lawrence
 Connétable of St. Saviour
 Connétable of St. Brelade
 Connétable of Grouville
 Connétable of St. Ouen
 Connétable of St. Martin
 Connétable of St. John
 Deputy J.A. Martin (H)
 Deputy G.P. Southern (H)
 Deputy of Grouville
 Deputy M. Tadier (B)
 Deputy M.R. Higgins (H)
 Deputy J.M. Maçon (S)
 Deputy of St. Martin
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 Deputy R. Labey (H)
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 Deputy G.J. Truscott (B)
 Deputy J.H. Young (B)
 Deputy K.F. Morel (L)
 Deputy of St. Peter
 Deputy of Trinity
 Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat (H)
 Deputy S.M. Ahier (H)
 Deputy R.J. Ward (H)
 Deputy C.S. Alves (H)
 Deputy K.G. Pamplin (S)
 Deputy I. Gardiner (H)

Senator L.J. Farnham
 Senator J.A.N. Le Fondré
 Connétable of Trinity
 Connétable of St. Mary
 Connétable of St. Clement
 Deputy K.C. Lewis (S)
 Deputy S.J. Pinel (C)
 Deputy of St. Ouen
 Deputy S.M. Wickenden (H)
 Deputy L.B.E. Ash (C)
 Deputy G.C.U. Guida (L)

THE STATES resumed consideration of the proposition of the Council of Ministers, as amended, and, adopting an amendment of the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel (P.90/2021 Amd.(24)), agreed that –

in Paragraph (a), after the words “Article 9(2)(a) of the Law” there should be inserted the words –

“, except that the 2022 Estimate for Impôt Duties Total shall be decreased by £231,000 by increasing the Impôt Duties for Spirits, Wine, Cider and Beer at 1% under RPI, with the relevant figures for 2022 in Appendix 2 – Summary Table 1 updated in line with the following table, and subsequent figures updated accordingly –

	2022 Estimate (£000)
Impôt Duties Spirits	7,364
Impôt Duties Wine	9,211
Impôt Duties Cider	842
Impôt Duties Beer	6,299

in Paragraph (f), After the words “of the Report” there should be inserted the words –

“except that the Head of Expenditure for the General Reserve shall be reduced by £231,000 to accommodate a drop in States income caused by increasing the Impôt Duties for Spirits, Wine, Cider and Beer by 1% under RPI”.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 29

Senator L.J. Farnham
 Senator T.A. Vallois
 Senator K.L. Moore
 Senator S.W. Pallett
 Senator S.Y. Mézec
 Connétable of St. Helier
 Connétable of St. Lawrence
 Connétable of St. Saviour
 Connétable of Grouville
 Connétable of Trinity
 Connétable of St. Mary
 Connétable of St. Martin
 Connétable of St. John
 Connétable of St. Clement
 Deputy G.P. Southern (H)
 Deputy of Grouville
 Deputy M. Tadier (B)
 Deputy M.R. Higgins (H)
 Deputy of St. Martin
 Deputy L.M.C. Doublet (S)
 Deputy R. Labey (H)

CONTRE: 16

Senator I.J. Gorst
 Senator J.A.N. Le Fondré
 Connétable of St. Brelade
 Connétable of St. Ouen
 Deputy J.A. Martin (H)
 Deputy K.C. Lewis (S)
 Deputy J.M. Maçon (S)
 Deputy S.J. Pinel (C)
 Deputy of St. Ouen
 Deputy S.M. Wickenden (H)
 Deputy of St. Mary
 Deputy J.H. Young (B)
 Deputy L.B.E. Ash (C)
 Deputy G.C.U. Guida (L)
 Deputy of St. Peter
 Deputy of St. John

ABSTAIN: 0

Deputy G.J. Truscott (B)
 Deputy K.F. Morel (L)
 Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat (H)
 Deputy S.M. Ahier (H)
 Deputy R.J. Ward (H)
 Deputy C.S. Alves (H)
 Deputy K.G. Pamplin (S)
 Deputy I. Gardiner (H)

THE STATES noted that, in accordance with the provisions of Standing Order 106(1)(b), Senator Lyndon John Farnham declared an interest that was not a direct financial interest, due to a business involvement within the hospitality sector, but remained in the Chamber for the duration of the debate on the amendment of the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel (P.90/2021 Amd.(24)).

THE STATES resumed consideration of the proposition of the Council of Ministers, as amended, and rejected Parts 1 and 2 of an amendment of Senator Ian Joseph Gorst (P.90/2021 Amd.(25)) that –

in Paragraph (b), after the words “of up to those revised approvals” there should be inserted the words –

“, except that, in Summary Table 3, the figure for ‘Refinancing of past-service liabilities’ will be amended in each column to £135 million, so that the borrowing in this Government Plan only covers the liability in respect of the Jersey Teachers Superannuation Fund”; and

In Paragraph (g), for the words “up to £480 million” there should be substituted “up to £135 million” and for the words “Past Service Pension Liabilities” there should be substituted “Jersey Teachers Superannuation Fund Past Service Pension Liability”.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 20

Senator I.J. Gorst
 Senator S.C. Ferguson
 Senator T.A. Vallois
 Senator K.L. Moore
 Senator S.W. Pallett
 Connétable of St. Lawrence
 Connétable of St. Saviour
 Connétable of St. Brelade
 Connétable of Grouville
 Connétable of St. Martin
 Connétable of St. John
 Deputy of Grouville
 Deputy J.M. Maçon (S)
 Deputy of St. Martin
 Deputy L.M.C. Doublet (S)
 Deputy of St. Mary
 Deputy K.F. Morel (L)
 Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat (H)
 Deputy S.M. Ahier (H)
 Deputy I. Gardiner (H)

CONTRE: 26

Senator L.J. Farnham
 Senator J.A.N. Le Fondré
 Senator S.Y. Mézec
 Connétable of St. Helier
 Connétable of Trinity
 Connétable of St. Mary
 Connétable of St. Ouen
 Connétable of St. Clement
 Deputy J.A. Martin (H)
 Deputy G.P. Southern (H)
 Deputy K.C. Lewis (S)
 Deputy M. Tadier (B)
 Deputy M.R. Higgins (H)
 Deputy S.J. Pinel (C)
 Deputy of St. Ouen
 Deputy R. Labey (H)
 Deputy S.M. Wickenden (H)
 Deputy G.J. Truscott (B)
 Deputy J.H. Young (B)
 Deputy L.B.E. Ash (C)
 Deputy G.C.U. Guida (L)
 Deputy of St. Peter
 Deputy of Trinity
 Deputy R.J. Ward (H)

ABSTAIN: 0

Deputy C.S. Alves (H)
Deputy K.G. Pamplin (S)

THE STATES, adopting Part 3 of the amendment of Senator Ian Joseph Gorst (P.90/2021 Amd.(25)), agreed that the existing Paragraph (l) should be designated as Paragraph (m) and the following paragraph inserted as Paragraph (l) –

- “(l) to agree that borrowing relating to COVID-19 and Fiscal Stimulus Fund requirements should be of a short-term nature only, for no more than 5 years (and, for example, funded from the revolving credit facility) and, accordingly, that –
- i. the Council of Ministers be requested to bring forward proposals in future Government Plans to reduce this borrowing to zero by 31st December 2026; and
 - ii. the Minister for Treasury and Resources be requested to prioritise the application of any unspent funds at the end of 2021 and 2022, be these in respect of spending related to COVID-19, departmental revenue expenditure or capital expenditure, to be returned to the Consolidated Fund and that these funds, along with receipts relating to the move of all taxpayers to current year basis, be used to minimise the borrowing requirements for COVID-19 and the Fiscal Stimulus Fund and support the repayment of debt.”.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 37

Senator I.J. Gorst
Senator L.J. Farnham
Senator S.C. Ferguson
Senator J.A.N. Le Fondré
Senator T.A. Vallois
Senator K.L. Moore
Senator S.W. Pallett
Connétable of St. Helier
Connétable of St. Lawrence
Connétable of St. Saviour
Connétable of St. Brelade
Connétable of Grouville
Connétable of Trinity
Connétable of St. Ouen
Connétable of St. Martin
Connétable of St. John
Deputy J.A. Martin (H)
Deputy of Grouville
Deputy K.C. Lewis (S)
Deputy M.R. Higgins (H)
Deputy J.M. Maçon (S)
Deputy S.J. Pinel (C)
Deputy of St. Martin
Deputy L.M.C. Doublet (S)
Deputy R. Labey (H)
Deputy S.M. Wickenden (H)
Deputy of St. Mary
Deputy G.J. Truscott (B)
Deputy J.H. Young (B)
Deputy L.B.E. Ash (C)
Deputy K.F. Morel (L)

CONTRE: 9

Senator S.Y. Mézec
Connétable of St. Mary
Deputy G.P. Southern (H)
Deputy M. Tadier (B)
Deputy of St. Ouen
Deputy of St. John
Deputy R.J. Ward (H)
Deputy C.S. Alves (H)
Deputy K.G. Pamplin (S)

ABSTAIN: 0

Deputy G.C.U. Guida (L)
 Deputy of St. Peter
 Deputy of Trinity
 Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat (H)
 Deputy S.M. Ahier (H)
 Deputy I. Gardiner (H)

THE STATES, resuming consideration of the proposition of the Council of Ministers, as amended, commenced consideration of an amendment of Deputy Geoffrey Peter Southern of St. Helier (P.90/2021 Amd.(3)).

Adjournment

THE STATES, adopting a proposition of Deputy Geoffrey Peter Southern of St. Helier, adjourned, having agreed to reconvene on Wednesday 15th December 2021 to continue consideration of the proposition of the Council of Ministers entitled 'Proposed Government Plan 2022-2025' (P.90/2021), as amended, and the remaining outstanding amendments.

Members present voted as follows –

POUR: 37

Senator L.J. Farnham
 Senator S.C. Ferguson
 Senator J.A.N. Le Fondré
 Senator T.A. Vallois
 Senator K.L. Moore
 Senator S.W. Pallett
 Senator S.Y. Mézec
 Connétable of St. Lawrence
 Connétable of St. Saviour
 Connétable of St. Brelade
 Connétable of Grouville
 Connétable of Trinity
 Connétable of St. Ouen
 Connétable of St. John
 Deputy J.A. Martin (H)
 Deputy G.P. Southern (H)
 Deputy of Grouville
 Deputy K.C. Lewis (S)
 Deputy M. Tadier (B)
 Deputy J.M. Maçon (S)
 Deputy S.J. Pinel (C)
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 Deputy L.M.C. Doublet (S)
 Deputy R. Labey (H)
 Deputy S.M. Wickenden (H)
 Deputy of St. Mary
 Deputy G.J. Truscott (B)
 Deputy J.H. Young (B)
 Deputy of St. Peter
 Deputy of Trinity
 Deputy of St. John
 Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat (H)

CONTRE: 5

Senator I.J. Gorst
 Connétable of St. Mary
 Deputy L.B.E. Ash (C)
 Deputy K.F. Morel (L)
 Deputy S.M. Ahier (H)

ABSTAIN: 0

Deputy R.J. Ward (H)
Deputy C.S. Alves (H)
Deputy K.G. Pamplin (S)
Deputy I. Gardiner (H)

THE STATES rose at 5.19 p.m.

DR. M. EGAN

Greffier of the States