



**THE STATES assembled on Wednesday  
19th July 2023, at 9.30 a.m. under  
the Presidency of the Deputy Bailiff,  
Robert James MacRae, Esquire.**

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

Deputy Louise Mary Catherine Doublet of St. Saviour – ill  
Deputy Kirsten Francis Morel of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity – en défaut  
Deputy Inna Gardiner of St. Helier North – ill  
Deputy Lyndon John Farnham of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter – en défaut (défaut raised at 9.43 a.m.)  
Deputy Kristina Louise Moore of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter – absent on States business (arrived in the Chamber at 2.26 p.m.)  
Deputy Philip Francis Cyril Ozouf of St. Saviour – ill  
Deputy Sir Philip Martin Bailhache of St. Clement – en défaut (défaut raised at 9.43 a.m.)

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Prayers

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### **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.

### **Documents presented**

Island wide rate figures for 2023.

R.115/2023.

Presented: 19th July 2023, *Comité des Connétables*.

### **Mortgage repayment assistance P.48/2023**

THE STATES commenced consideration of a proposition of Deputy Geoffrey Peter Southern of St. Helier Central entitled ‘Mortgage repayment assistance’ (P.48/2023) and rejected the proposition to request the Chief Minister, in consultation with the Minister for Treasury and Resources, to engage with local mortgage and credit providers with a view to those providers supporting consumers who were struggling to make repayments by –

- (a) allowing borrowers to reduce their monthly repayments by extending their mortgage term or switching to interest-only repayments; and
- (b) ensuring that homes would not be repossessed until 12 months after a borrower missed a mortgage payment.

Members present voted as follows –

**POUR: 19**

**CONTRE: 24**

**ABSTAIN: 0**

Connétable of St. Helier	Connétable of St. Lawrence
Connétable of Trinity	Connétable of St. Brelade
Connétable of Grouville	Connétable of St. Peter
Connétable of St. Ouen	Connétable of St. John
Connétable of St. Saviour	Connétable of St. Clement
Deputy G.P. Southern	Connétable of St. Mary
Deputy C.F. Labey	Deputy S.G. Luce
Deputy M. Tadier	Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat
Deputy R.J. Ward	Deputy S.M. Ahier
Deputy C.S. Alves	Deputy I.J. Gorst
Deputy L.J Farnham	Deputy P.M. Bailhache
Deputy S.Y. Mézec	Deputy D.J. Warr
Deputy T.A. Coles	Deputy H.M. Miles
Deputy B.B.de S.V.M. Porée	Deputy M.R. Scott
Deputy C.D. Curtis	Deputy J. Renouf
Deputy L.V. Feltham	Deputy R.E. Binet
Deputy H.L. Jeune	Deputy M.E. Millar
Deputy R.S. Kovacs	Deputy A. Howell
Deputy M.B. Andrews	Deputy T.J.A. Binet
	Deputy M.R. Ferey
	Deputy A.F. Curtis
	Deputy B. Ward
	Deputy K.M. Wilson
	Deputy L.K.F Stephenson

### **Entitlement to work – reduction in residency requirement P.49/2023**

THE STATES commenced consideration of a proposition of Deputy Raluca Stefana Kovacs of St. Saviour entitled ‘Entitlement to work – reduction in residency requirement’ (P.49/2023) and rejected the proposition to request the Chief Minister –

- (a) in light of the current difficulties in recruitment of staff, to implement a temporary scheme by September 2023, further to which any Registered individual who had been continuously ordinarily resident in the Island since 31st December 2020 would be eligible for Entitled to Work status until December 2025, or such time as they attained five-year residency;
- (b) to extend the scheme detailed in paragraph (a) to the spouse, civil partner or eligible partner of an individual eligible for the scheme identified in paragraph (a), provided the spouse or partner was also ordinarily resident in Jersey; and
- (c) to investigate the implications of a reduction in the five-year residency requirement to receive Entitled to Work status, and to report back to the Assembly on the feasibility of such a reduction by 30th June 2024.

Members present voted as follows –

#### **POUR: 11**

Connétable of St. Helier  
Deputy G.P. Southern  
Deputy M. Tadier  
Deputy R.J. Ward  
Deputy C.S. Alves  
Deputy S.Y. Mézec

#### **CONTRE: 31**

Connétable of St. Lawrence  
Connétable of St. Brelade  
Connétable of St. Peter  
Connétable of St. Martin  
Connétable of St. John  
Connétable of Grouville

#### **ABSTAIN: 1**

Connétable of St. Clement

Deputy T.A. Coles	Connétable of St. Ouen
Deputy B.B.de S.V.M. Porée	Connétable of St. Mary
Deputy C.D. Curtis	Connétable of St. Saviour
Deputy L.V. Feltham	Deputy C.F. Labey
Deputy R.S. Kovacs	Deputy S.G. Luce
	Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat
	Deputy S.M. Ahier
	Deputy I.J. Gorst
	Deputy L.J Farnham
	Deputy P.M. Bailhache
	Deputy D.J. Warr
	Deputy H.M. Miles
	Deputy M.R. Scott
	Deputy J. Renouf
	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 A.F. Curtis
	Deputy B. Ward
	Deputy K.M. Wilson
	Deputy L.K.F Stephenson
	Deputy M.B. Andrews

THE STATES noted that, in accordance with the provisions of Standing Order 106, the following members declared an interest in the subject of the proposition of Deputy Raluca Stefana Kovacs of St. Saviour in that either they, or a relevant person to them, had a link with the hospitality industry –

The Connétable of St. Clement  
 Deputy Lyndon John Farnham of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter  
 Deputy Beatriz Borges de Sousa Vaz Moreno Porée of St. Helier South  
 Deputy David James Warr of St. Helier South  
 Deputy Raluca Stefana Kovacs of St. Saviour

### **Changes in Presidency**

The Deputy Bailiff retired briefly from the Chamber during consideration of the proposition of Deputy Raluca Stefana Kovacs of St. Saviour entitled ‘Entitlement to work – reduction in residency requirement’ (P.49/2023) and the meeting continued under the Presidency of Mr. William John Charles Millow, Deputy Greffier of the States until his return.

### **Supplementary Planning Guidance – Parking Strategy P.50/2023**

THE STATES commenced consideration of a proposition of the Connétable of St. Helier entitled ‘Supplementary Planning Guidance – Parking Strategy’ (P.50/2023) and rejected the proposition to request the Minister for the Environment to defer approval of the draft Supplementary Planning Guidance on residential parking standards, published for consultation in March 2023, until such time as a parking strategy for the Island had been developed, consulted upon, and presented to the States Assembly for debate.

Members present voted as follows –

**POUR: 19**

Connétable of St. Helier  
 Connétable of St. Lawrence  
 Connétable of St. Brelade  
 Connétable of St. Martin  
 Connétable of St. Clement  
 Deputy G..P. Southern  
 Deputy M. Tadier  
 Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat  
 Deputy R.J. Ward  
 Deputy C.S. Alves  
 Deputy L.J Farnham  
 Deputy S.Y. Mézec  
 Deputy T.A. Coles  
 Deputy B.B.de S.V.M. Porée  
 Deputy C.D. Curtis  
 Deputy L.V. Feltham  
 Deputy A. Howell  
 Deputy R.S. Kovacs  
 Deputy M.B. Andrews

**CONTRE: 24**

Connétable of St. Peter  
 Connétable of St. John  
 Connétable of Grouville  
 Connétable of St. Ouen  
 Connétable of St. Mary  
 Connétable of St. Saviour  
 Deputy C.F. Labey  
 Deputy S.G. Luce  
 Deputy S.M. Ahier  
 Deputy I.J. Gorst  
 Deputy K.L. Moore  
 Deputy P.M. Bailhache  
 Deputy D.J. Warr  
 Deputy H.M. Miles  
 Deputy J. Renouf  
 Deputy R.E. Binet  
 Deputy H.L. Jeune  
 Deputy M.E. Millar  
 Deputy T.J.A. Binet  
 Deputy M.R. Ferey  
 Deputy A.F. Curtis  
 Deputy B. Ward  
 Deputy K.M. Wilson  
 Deputy L.K.F Stephenson

**ABSTAIN: 1**

Deputy M.R. Scott

**Financial support for parents of babies needing additional neonatal care P.52/2023**

THE STATES commenced consideration of a proposition of Deputy Raluca Stefana Kovacs of St. Saviour entitled ‘Financial support for parents of babies needing additional neonatal care’ (P.52/2023) and, adopting an amendment of the Minister for Social Security (P.52/2023 Amd.), agreed that, for the word “June”, there should be substituted “December”.

THE STATES, adopting the proposition of Deputy Raluca Stefana Kovacs of St. Saviour, as amended, agreed that provision, including financial support, should be established to support parents who had preterm babies, or babies requiring neonatal care, and requested the Minister for Social Security to bring forward the proposals for this provision for approval by the Assembly prior to the end of December 2024.

Members present voted as follows –

**POUR: 43**

Connétable of St. Lawrence  
 Connétable of St. Brelade  
 Connétable of Trinity  
 Connétable of St. Martin  
 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

**CONTRE: 0****ABSTAIN: 0**

Deputy M. Tadier  
Deputy S.G. Luce  
Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat  
Deputy S.M. Ahier  
Deputy R.J. Ward  
Deputy C.S. Alves  
Deputy I.J. Gorst  
Deputy L.J Farnham  
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 C.D. Curtis  
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 L.K.F Stephenson  
Deputy M.B. Andrews

### **Negotiation of purchase for the site of the Seaside Café, Grève de Lecq P.53/2023**

THE STATES commenced consideration of a proposition of Deputy Lyndon John Farnham of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter entitled ‘Negotiation of purchase for the site of the Seaside Café, Grève de Lecq’ (P.53/2023) and, adopting an amendment of Deputy Lucy Kate Frances Stephenson of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter (P.53/2023 Amd.) agreed that –

In paragraph (a), after the words “for a use that will be of”, there should be inserted the words “environmental, cultural and social”;

In paragraph (a), after the words “benefit to the public”, there should be inserted the words “, including the option of working with partner organisations in completing the purchase and securing the future use of the site”;

Paragraph (b) should be substituted with the following paragraph –

“(b) to ensure that the negotiated price represents value for money and that, prior to the transaction being presented to the States in accordance with Standing Order 168, the price has been subject to independent assessment;” and

after paragraph (b), there should be inserted the following new paragraph –

- “(c) to consider options, consulting as necessary, for enabling the Government of Jersey to be notified when properties or areas of significant value to the people of Jersey become available so that early consideration can be given to potentially acquiring them on behalf of the public.”.

THE STATES, adopting the proposition of Deputy Lyndon John Farnham of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter, as amended, requested the Minister for Treasury and Resources, in consultation with the Minister for Infrastructure –

- (a) to negotiate, on behalf of the States of Jersey, the purchase of the former Seaside Café and carpark site at Grève de Lecq for a use that would be of environmental, cultural and social benefit to the public, including the option of working with partner organisations in completing the purchase and securing the future use of the site;
- (b) to ensure that the negotiated price represented value for money and that, prior to the transaction being presented to the States in accordance with Standing Order 168, the price had been subject to independent assessment; and
- (c) to consider options, consulting as necessary, for enabling the Government of Jersey to be notified when properties or areas of significant value to the people of Jersey became available so that early consideration could be given to potentially acquiring them on behalf of the public.

Members present voted as follows –

**POUR: 32**

Connétable of St. Lawrence  
 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 R.J. Ward  
 Deputy C.S. Alves  
 Deputy I.J. Gorst  
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 Deputy R.E. Binet  
 Deputy H.L. Jeune  
 Deputy A. Howell  
 Deputy M.R. Ferey  
 Deputy R.S. Kovacs  
 Deputy A.F. Curtis  
 Deputy B. Ward  
 Deputy K.M. Wilson  
 Deputy L.K.F Stephenson

**CONTRE: 10**

Connétable of St. Brelade  
 Connétable of Trinity  
 Connétable of St. Peter  
 Connétable of St. Martin  
 Connétable of St. John  
 Deputy S.G. Luce  
 Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat  
 Deputy S.M. Ahier  
 Deputy M.R. Scott  
 Deputy M.E. Millar

**ABSTAIN: 1**

Deputy T.J.A. Binet

Deputy M.B. Andrews

### **Arrangement of public business for future meetings**

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

#### **12th September 2023**

New Stamp Duty Rates. Lodged: 5th June 2023, <i>Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North.</i>	P.39/2023.
Draft Income Tax (Amendment – Stage 2 of Independent Taxation) (Jersey) Law 202-. Lodged: 6th June 2023, <i>Minister for Treasury and Resources.</i>	P.41/2023.
Draft Act declaring that the Income Tax (Amendment – Stage 2 of Independent Taxation) (Jersey) Law 202- has immediate effect. Presented: 6th June 2023, <i>Minister for Treasury and Resources.</i>	P.41/2023. Add.
Amendment to Standing Orders – the establishment of PPC sub-committees. Lodged: 23rd June 2023, <i>Privileges and Procedures Committee.</i>	P.46/2023.
Financial support for local disasters. Lodged: 27th June 2023, <i>Deputy L.J. Farnham of St Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter.</i>	P.51/2023.
Financial support for local disasters (P.51/2023): comments. Presented: 13th July 2023, <i>Minister for Treasury and Resources.</i>	P.51/2023. Com.
Draft Financial Services (Amendment of Law) (No. 6) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. Lodged: 7th July 2023, <i>Chief Minister.</i>	P.54/2023.

#### **3rd October 2023**

#### **17th October 2023**

#### **7th November 2023**

Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202- Lodged: 5th June 2023, <i>Minister for the Environment.</i>	P.40/2023.
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*Note: The 2nd reading of the Draft Regulations would resume, following adoption of the principles on 18th July 2023 and the subsequent referral to the Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel under Standing Order 72(1).*

THE STATES rose at 5.46 p.m.

**W.J.C. MILLOW**

*Deputy Greffier of the States*