



STATES OF JERSEY ORDER PAPER

23rd MAY 2023

SUMMARY

CONSOLIDATED

9.30 a.m.	Communications by the Presiding Officer and other announcements Appointments, matters of privilege, petitions (if any)
Approx. 9.40 a.m. Up to 2 hours 20 minutes	Oral questions with notice Urgent questions (if any)
Up to 45 minutes, divided between the three Ministers	Oral questions without notice: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Minister for Health and Social Services• Minister for Infrastructure• Chief Minister Statements (if any)
Approx. 2.15 p.m.	Draft Commissioner for Children and Young People (Amendment of Law) (Jersey) Regulations 202- . (P.12/2023). Draft Probate (Amendment) (Jersey) Law 202- . (P.16/2023). Draft Control of Housing and Work (Residential and Employment Status) (Amendment No. 2) (Jersey) Regulations 202- . (P.20/2023). Amendment to Standing Orders – remote participation in States meetings. (P.21/2023). Arrangement of public business at subsequent meetings

Lunch adjournment likely around 12.45 p.m., until 2.15 p.m.

If business is not completed by around 5.30 p.m. the Assembly usually adjourns for the evening and will resume its meeting at 9.30 a.m. on Wednesday 24th, Thursday 25th and Friday 26th May 2023 if necessary.



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A. COMMUNICATIONS BY THE PRESIDING OFFICER

B. TABLING OF SUBORDINATE ENACTMENTS

(Explanatory note attached)

Immigration (Fees) (Amendment) (Jersey) Order 2023. R&O.30/2023.
Minister for Home Affairs.

Road Traffic (St. Helier) (Amendment No. 39) (Jersey) Order 2023. R&O.31/2023.
Minister for Infrastructure.

Planning and Building (Cannabis) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Jersey) R&O.32/2023.
Order 2023.
Minister for the Environment.

Financial Services (Disclosure and Provision of Information – Person with R&O.33/2023.
Standing) (Jersey) Order 2023.
Chief Minister.

Proceeds of Crime (Cannabis Exemption – List of Jurisdictions) (Amendment) R&O.34/2023.
(Jersey) Order 2023.
Chief Minister.

C. DOCUMENTS PRESENTED

Draft Control of Housing and Work (Residential and Employment Status) P.20/2023.
(Amendment No. 2) (Jersey) Regulations 202- (P.20/2023): comments. Com.
Presented: 16th May 2023, *Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel.*

Jersey Archive Annual Report 2022. R.72/2023.
Presented: 5th May 2023, *Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture.*

States of Jersey Annual Report and Accounts 2022. R.73/2023.
Presented: 5th May 2023, *Minister for Treasury and Resources.*

Planning Committee Report 2019, 2020, 2021 & 2022. R.74/2023.
Presented: 5th May 2023, *Planning Committee.*

Jersey Competition Regulatory Authority Annual Report and Accounts 2022. R.75/2023.
Presented: 10th May 2023, *Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture.*

Anti-Doping and National Compliance Platform Policy. R.76/2023.
Presented: 10th May 2023, *Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture.*



Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General Annual Report and Accounts 2022. Presented: 10th May 2023, <i>Comptroller and Auditor General</i> .	R.77/2023.
States of Jersey Law 2005: delegation of functions – Chief Minister – delegation of Financial Services. Presented: 11th May 2023, <i>Chief Minister</i> .	R.78/2023. (re-issue).
Jersey Resolution Authority 2022 Accounts. Presented: 12th May 2023, <i>Chief Minister</i> .	R.79/2023.
Jersey Charity Commissioner’s Annual Report for 2022. Presented: 12th May 2023, <i>Chief Minister</i> .	R.80/2023.
Jersey Employment and Discrimination Tribunal Annual Report 2022. Presented: 12th May 2023, <i>Minister for Social Security</i> .	R.81/2023.
Learning from Previous Hospital Projects: A Follow Up Review. Presented: 15th May 2023, <i>Comptroller and Auditor General</i> .	R.82/2023.
States of Jersey Law 2005: delegation of functions – Minister for External Relations – delegation of External Relations. Presented: 16th May 2023, <i>Minister for External Relations</i> .	R.83/2023.
Land Transactions under Standing Order 168(3) – Field 525, St. John: Sale of Drainage Rights. Presented: 16th May 2023, <i>Minister for Infrastructure</i> .	R.84/2023.
Land Transactions under Standing Order 168(3) – Trinity Pumping Station No.1 – right of way. Presented: 16th May 2023, <i>Minister for Infrastructure</i> .	R.85/2023.
Jersey Financial Services Commission: Appointment of Commissioners. Presented: 16th May 2023, <i>Chief Minister</i> .	R.86/2023. (re-issue).
* Jersey Bank Depositors Compensation Board Annual Report Accounts 2022-2023. Presented: 19th May 2023, <i>Chief Minister</i> .	R.87/2023.
* Jersey Overseas Aid Annual Report 2022. Presented: 19th May 2023, <i>Minister for International Development</i> .	R.88/2023.
* Income Forecasting Group report on the revised forecast of States income for Spring 2023. Presented: 19th May 2023, <i>Minister for Treasury and Resources</i> .	R.89/2023.
* Jersey Community Relations Trust; Appointment of Chair. Presented: 22nd May 2023, <i>Minister for Home Affairs</i> .	R.90/2023.

D. NOTIFICATION OF LODGED PROPOSITIONS

Health and Community Services Interim Board (P.19/2023): amendment. Lodged: 5th May 2023, <i>Deputy L.V. Feltham of St. Helier Central</i> .	P.19/2023. Amd.
Draft Taxation (Exchange of Information – Amendment) (Jersey) Regulations 202. Lodged: 5th May 2023, <i>Minister for External Relations</i> .	P.28/2023.



Draft Income Tax (High Value Residents – Amendment) (Jersey) Law 202-. P.29/2023.
Lodged: 16th May 2023, *Minister for Treasury and Resources*.

Amendment to Standing Orders – various amendments. P.30/2023.
Lodged: 17th May 2023, *Privileges and Procedures Committee*.

* Breakdown of Gender Pay. P.31/2023.
Lodged: 2023, *Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North*.

E. WITHDRAWAL OF LODGED PROPOSITIONS

F. APPOINTMENT OF MINISTERS, COMMITTEES AND PANELS

G. MATTERS OF PRIVILEGE

H. PETITIONS

I. QUESTIONS

(a) – **Written Questions**
(*see attached*)

- WQ.175/2023 1. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North regarding Stamp Duty.
- WQ.176/2023 2. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North regarding agency staff.
- WQ.177/2023 3. The Minister for Housing and Communities tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North regarding a Digital Property Register.
- WQ.178/2023 4. The Chief Minister tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade regarding the Our Hospital Political Oversight Group.
- WQ.179/2023 5. The Chief Minister tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade regarding the Cabinet Office.
- WQ.180/2023 6. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade regarding the Fiscal Policy Panel.
- WQ.181/2023 7. The Minister for the Environment tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy S.G. Luce of Grouville and St. Martin regarding planning applications.
- WQ.182/2023 8. The Minister for Social Security tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier Central regarding the Zero Hours Contracts review by the Employment Forum.
- WQ.183/2023 9. The Minister for Children and Education tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central regarding teachers leaving the profession.
- WQ.184/2023 10. The Minister for Children and Education tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central regarding female teaching staff leaving the profession.
- WQ.185/2023 11. The Minister for Infrastructure tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central regarding Jersey Reds rugby club facility.



- WQ.186/2023 12. The Minister for Infrastructure tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy A. Howell of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity regarding the closure of La Motte Street.
- WQ.187/2023 13. The Chief Minister tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South regarding conflicts of interest in Council of Ministers meetings.
- WQ.188/2023 14. The Minister for Housing and Communities tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South regarding instructions on the inclusion of rent control in the rental white paper.
- WQ.189/2023 15. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South regarding the Upper Earnings Cap.
- WQ.190/2023 16. The Minister for Housing and Communities tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy L.V. Feltham of St. Helier Central regarding the Lodging Houses (Registration) (Jersey) Law 1962 and the Lodging Houses (General Provisions) (Jersey) Order 1962.
- WQ.191/2023 17. The Minister for Home Affairs tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy T.A. Coles of St. Helier South regarding States of Jersey Police Licensing Unit.
- WQ.192/2023 18. The Minister for Home Affairs tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy T.A. Coles of St. Helier South regarding alcohol related arrests.
- WQ.193/2023 19. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy T.A. Coles of St. Helier South regarding incidents against staff due to alcohol consumption.
- WQ.194/2023 20. The Chair of the States Employment Board tabled an answer on 11th May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North regarding the length of service of Government employees.
- WQ.195/2023 21. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 11th May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy L.J. Farnham of St. Ouen, St. Mary and St. Peter regarding the IT, financial and manpower implications of allowing combined, as well as independent, tax returns.
- WQ.196/2023 22. The Chair of the States Employment Board tabled an answer on 11th May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade regarding training materials in relation to ethical conduct.
- WQ.197/2023 23. The Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture tabled an answer on 11th May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South regarding costs of the recently commissioned review of sport in Jersey.
- WQ.198/2023 24. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 11th May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier Central regarding the 'greening' of the States of Jersey investment portfolio.
- WQ.199/2023 25. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 17th May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North regarding stamp duty.
- WQ.200/2023 26. The Minister for Infrastructure tabled an answer on 17th May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North regarding disabled parking spaces.



- WQ.201/2023 27. The Chief Minister tabled an answer on 17th May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North regarding Our Hospital and Healthcare Facilities project expenditure.
- WQ.202/2023 28. The Chair of the Privileges and Procedures Committee tabled an answer on 17th May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade regarding voter identification in elections.
- WQ.203/2023 29. The Chair of the Privileges and Procedures Committee tabled an answer on 17th May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade regarding a referral by PPC to the Commissioner for Standards.
- WQ.204/2023
* 30. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North regarding surgical procedures.
- WQ.205/2023
* 31. The Minister for the Environment tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North regarding rejected planning applications in the last five years.
- WQ.206/2023
* 32. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North regarding the connection of homes to mains water by Jersey Water.
- WQ.207/2023
* 33. The Chief Minister tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy P.M. Bailhache of St. Clement regarding improving Jersey's resilience.
- WQ.208/2023
* 34. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy Sir P.M. Bailhache of St. Clement regarding the Memorandum of Understanding in relation to the cultivation of cannabis.
- WQ.209/2023
* 35. The Chair of the States Employment Board tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy C.D. Curtis of St. Helier Central regarding the Jersey Appointment Commission's Guidelines for recruitment.
- WQ.210/2023
* 36. The Minister for Infrastructure tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy T.A. Coles of St. Helier South regarding the Town Link Bus (Route 20).
- WQ.211/2023
* 37. The Minister for Housing and Communities tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy T.A. Coles of St. Helier South regarding Andium Homes's maximum occupancy per unit of accommodation.
- WQ.212/2023
* 38. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy A. Howell of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity regarding qualifications and occupational competence of locum and agency staff.
- WQ.213/2023
* 39. The Minister for Social Security tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central regarding carpets and carpet suppliers.
- WQ.214/2023
* 40. The Chair of the States Employment Board tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central regarding States employees' long-term absence.
- WQ.215/2023
* 41. The Minister for Children and Education tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central regarding research into flexible working.
- WQ.216/2023
* 42. The Minister for Social Security tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier Central regarding zero-hour contracts in Jersey.



- WQ.217/2023 * 43. The Minister for Social Security tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier Central regarding a 48-hour per week working limit for zero-hour contracts.
- WQ.218/2023 * 44. The Minister for Housing and Communities tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy L.V. Feltham of St. Helier Central regarding the public consultation ‘Improving Residential Tenancies in Jersey – Residential Tenancy Law Reform proposals’.
- WQ.219/2023 * 45. The Assistant Chief Minister tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy L.V. Feltham of St. Helier Central regarding the inclusivity and accessibility of Government communications.
- WQ.220/2023 * 46. The Minister for Housing and Communities tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy L.V. Feltham of St. Helier Central regarding improving Government communications for the Island’s communities.
- WQ.221/2023 * 47. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy R.S. Kovacs of St. Saviour regarding Income Tax forecasts.
- WQ.222/2023 * 48. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy R.S. Kovacs of St. Saviour regarding the increase in mortgage rates.
- WQ.223/2023 * 49. The Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy R.S. Kovacs of St. Saviour regarding the Tourism Development Fund.
- WQ.224/2023 * 50. The Minister for Home Affairs tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier Central regarding updating the Matrimonial Causes (Jersey) Law 1949.
- WQ.225/2023 * 51. The Chair of the States Employment Board tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy C.D. Curtis of St. Helier Central regarding the consideration given to Standard 3 of the Jersey Appointment Commission’s guidelines.
- WQ.226/2023 * 52. The Chair of the States Employment Board tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to a question asked by Deputy C.D. Curtis of St. Helier Central regarding the Jersey Appointment Commission’s guidelines for the recruitment of the Director General for Children, Young People, Education and Skills.

(b) – Oral Questions

(2 hours 20 minutes)

- OQ.97/2023 1. Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central will ask the following question of the Minister for Infrastructure –
- “Will the Minister explain what contingency plans are in place for the increased traffic flow around Springfield Stadium generated by the closure of Fort Regent and the subsequent movement of facilities to Springfield; and, further to this, what communication, if any, has been undertaken with other Ministers or the Connétable of St. Helier regarding this issue?”



- OQ.105/2023 2. Deputy C.S. Alves of St. Helier Central will ask the following question of the Minister for Infrastructure –
- “Will the Minister advise what planning and assessments were undertaken and what data were collected prior to the closing and relocation of the sports clubs who used Fort Regent, and the gym there, to ensure there was sufficient space and the same quantity, quality and variety of equipment at Springfield Stadium (or other facilities) and that the same number of users could be accommodated?”
- OQ.93/2023 3. Deputy A. Howell of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity will ask the following question of the Minister for the Environment –
- “Will the Minister advise whether he has given any consideration to reinstating dedicated Planning Department offices, with all personnel working together in one place; and if not, why not?”
- OQ.90/2023 4. Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources –
- “Will the Minister advise how much High Value Residents contributed in personal Income Tax in 2022 through the 1% rate applied above the income threshold, and how this figure compares with the four previous years?”
- OQ.103/2023 5. Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier Central will ask the following question of the Minister for Social Security –
- “Taking into account the evidence provided in Annex A of the Employment Forum’s report, The Operation and Regulation of Zero-Hour Contracts in Jersey, of poor practice, abuse, and absence of employee protections, will the Minister commit to act on the 7 issues regarding zero-hour contracts contained in the proposition, P.32/2021, that was adopted unanimously by the Assembly?”
- OQ.99/2023 6. Deputy L.V. Feltham of St. Helier Central will ask the following question of the Minister for Social Security –
- “Will the Minister update the Assembly as to what steps, if any, have been taken to ensure that eligible people are encouraged to apply for the Community Cost Bonus before the application deadline?”
- OQ.101/2023 7. Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources –
- “Further to the announcement that the States of Jersey Development Company will appeal the decision of the Planning Committee to reject the application for a housing development on South Hill due to the proposed size of the apartments, will the Minister instruct the Company to abandon the appeal and, instead, to focus on a new application which meets the requirements of the Committee?”
- OQ.95/2023 8. Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade will ask the following question of the Chief Minister –
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- “Further to the response to Written Question 147/2023, does the Chief Minister agree that taking independent advice is not the same as commissioning a full independent inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the unlawful search of premises; will she publish the independent advice received and if not, why not?”



- OQ.92/2023 9. Deputy S.G. Luce of Grouville and St. Martin will ask the following question of the Chief Minister –
- “Will the Chief Minister advise whether any consideration has been given by Government to requiring Ministers and senior civil servants to consider their responsibilities in relation to resilience with a view to strengthening Jersey’s resilience to unforeseen events, especially in light of the UK Government’s Resilience Framework published in December 2022?”
- OQ.102/2023 10. Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South will ask the following question of the Minister for Housing and Communities –
- “Will the Minister advise what plans, if any, he has to utilise the £10 million set aside in successive Government Plans to support first-time buyers in such a way to maximise the number of Islanders who will benefit from this but without causing inflationary pressures which would push homeownership further out of reach for those not able to benefit from the scheme?”
- OQ.94/2023 11. Deputy A. Howell of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity will ask the following question of the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture –
- “Further to the responses given during Questions without Notice in January and April this year, is the Minister able to confirm when the Jersey Lifeboat Association’s vessel will be operational again; and if not, why not?”
- OQ.106/2023 12. Deputy C.S. Alves of St. Helier Central will ask the following question of the Minister for Health and Social Services –
- “In light of the Minister for Infrastructure’s recent comments that the hospital facilities created at the old Les Quennevais School site could be kept for 20 to 25 years, will the Minister clarify what her long-term plan is for the services due to be delivered from this site, given that it was meant to be a temporary 5-year measure?”
- OQ.91/2023
* 13. Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources –
- “Will the Chief Minister advise what consideration, if any, has either been given or it is intended to give to the introduction of profit-sharing legislation?”
- OQ.104/2023 14. Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier Central will ask the following question of the Minister for Social Security –
- “Will the Minister state how many individuals are registered as single parents on Income Support and, of these, how many are in receipt of maintenance income either for themselves or for their children?”
- OQ.100/2023 15. Deputy L.V. Feltham of St. Helier Central will ask the following question of the Assistant Chief Minister –
- “Will the Assistant Chief Minister outline what her policy position is in relation to population and migration?”
- OQ.96/2023 16. Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade will ask the following question of the Minister for Housing and Communities –
- “Further to his answer to Written Question 177/2023, will the Minister confirm whether it is the Government’s intention to create a Digital Property Register of beneficial ownership for all residential properties and, if not, why not?”



OQ.98/2023

17. Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central will ask the following question of the Minister for the Environment –

“Following the announcement of payments of up to £10,000 per household to replace oil-fired boilers, will the Minister advise what consideration, if any, has been given to adapting current boilers to biofuel (given it is a less expensive measure than replacement) in conjunction with the announced project in order to allow for a transition phase as the longer-term work is carried out?”

(c) – **Questions to Ministers without notice**
(45 minutes)

1st question period – Minister for Health and Social Services

2nd question period – Minister for Infrastructure

3rd question period – Chief Minister

J. PERSONAL STATEMENTS

K. STATEMENTS ON A MATTER OF OFFICIAL RESPONSIBILITY

L. PUBLIC BUSINESS

Draft Commissioner for Children and Young People (Amendment of Law) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. P.12/2023.
Lodged: 24th March 2023, *Chief Minister.*

Draft Commissioner for Children and Young People (Amendment of Law) (Jersey) Regulations 202- (P.12/2023): comments. P.12/2023.
Presented: 27th April 2023, *Children, Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel.* Com.

Draft Probate (Amendment) (Jersey) Law 202-. P.16/2023.
Lodged: 31st March 2023, *Chief Minister.*

Draft Probate (amendment) (Jersey) Law 202- (P.16/2023): comments. P.16/2023.
Presented: 26th April 2023, *Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel.* Com.

Draft Control of Housing and Work (Residential and Employment Status) (Amendment No. 2) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. P.20/2023.
Lodged: 11th April 2023, *Chief Minister.*

Draft Control of Housing and Work (Residential and Employment Status) (Amendment No. 2) (Jersey) Regulations 202- (P.20/2023): comments. P.20/2023.
Presented: 16th May 2023, *Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel.* Com.

Amendment to Standing Orders – remote participation in States meetings. P.21/2023.
Lodged: 18th April 2023, *Privileges and Procedures Committee.*

M. ARRANGEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

13th June 2023

Health and Community Services Interim Board. P.19/2023.
Lodged: 11th April 2023, *Minister for Health and Social Services.*



Health and Community Services Interim Board (P.19/2023): amendment. Lodged: 5th May 2023, <i>Deputy L.V. Feltham of St. Helier Central.</i>	P.19/2023. Amd.
Draft Stamp Duties and Fees (Amendment of Law – No. 6) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. Lodged: 24th April 2023, <i>Chief Minister.</i>	P.22/2023.
Draft Domestic Abuse (Jersey) Law 2022 (Appointed Day) Act 202-. Lodged: 26th April 2023, <i>Minister for Home Affairs.</i>	P.23/2023.
Draft Social Security (Amendment of Law No.18) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. Lodged: 28th April 2023, <i>Minister for Social Security.</i>	P.24/2023.
Draft Limited Partnerships (Continuance) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. Lodged: 2nd May 2023, <i>Chief Minister.</i>	P.25/2023.
Jersey Overseas Aid: Re-appointment of Commissioner. Lodged: 2nd May 2023, <i>Minister for International Development.</i>	P.26/2023.
Draft F.B. Playing Fields (Jersey) Law 202-. Lodged: 2nd May 2023, <i>Minister for Infrastructure.</i>	P.27/2023.
* Breakdown of Gender Pay. Lodged: 2023, <i>Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North.</i>	P.31/2023.
<u>4th July 2023</u>	
Draft Taxation (Exchange of Information – Amendment) (Jersey) Regulations 202. Lodged: 5th May 2023, <i>Minister for External Relations.</i>	P.28/2023.
Draft Income Tax (High Value Residents – Amendment) (Jersey) Law 202-. Lodged: 16th May 2023, <i>Minister for Treasury and Resources.</i>	P.29/2023.
Amendment to Standing Orders – various amendments. Lodged: 17th May 2023, <i>Privileges and Procedures Committee.</i>	P.30/2023.
<u>18th July 2023</u>	
La Collette Waste Management Site – Development Plan. Lodged: 6th April 2023, <i>Minister for Infrastructure.</i>	P.17/2023.

L.-M. HART
Greffier of the States

22nd May 2023

Note –

In accordance with the meeting dates fixed for 2023 by the Privileges and Procedures Committee, this meeting will continue, if necessary, on Wednesday 24th, Thursday 25th and Friday 26th May 2023.



Explanatory Note regarding subordinate legislation tabled at this meeting.

(See Item B)

R&O.30/2023.

Immigration (Fees) (Amendment) (Jersey) Order 2023.

Minister for Home Affairs.

This Order amends the Immigration (Fees) (Jersey) Order 2022. This Order increases the standard and express fees payable for passport applications. The express fees for applicants aged under 16 increase by 3.3%. All other standard and express fees increase by between 9.2% and 9.4% except temporary emergency passport fees, which remain unchanged. The fees were last increased with effect from 1st October 2019. The Order was made on 3rd May 2023 and comes into force on 1st June 2023.

R&O.31/2023.

Road Traffic (St. Helier) (Amendment No. 39) (Jersey) Order 2023.

Minister for Infrastructure.

This Order amends the Road Traffic (St. Helier) (Jersey) Order 1996 (the “1996 Order”).

Article 2 amends Schedule 1 to add in Part 1 a route for one-way traffic and in Part 3 an exemption for buses.

Article 3 amends an entry in Schedule 4 relating to part of a road on which waiting is prohibited.

Article 4 inserts a new entry into Schedule 5 where a road is closed to through traffic.

Article 5 makes various amendments to Schedule 6 to restrict vehicular access to pedestrian roads or provide for exemptions to those restrictions.

Article 6 amends an entry in Schedule 8 relating to part of a road which has a one-hour limit on paying parking places.

Article 7 amends Schedule 10, deleting one entry and adding one entry in Part 1, concerning parking a vehicle for the purposes of loading or unloading.

Article 8 amends an entry in Schedule 11 relating to the parking places for motor cycles and mopeds.

Article 9 gives the citation and provides that the Order comes into force 7 days after it is made.

The Order was made on 5th May 2023 and came into force on 12th May 2023.

R&O.32/2023.

Planning and Building (Cannabis) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Jersey) Order 2023.

Minister for the Environment.

The Planning and Building (Cannabis) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Jersey) Order 2023 amends the Planning and Building (Environmental Impact) (Jersey) Order 2006 and the Planning and Building (General Development) (Jersey) Order 2011, in respect of planning matters relating to the cultivation of cannabis and the production of cannabis products.

Article 1 amends Schedule 1 to the Planning and Building (Environmental Impact) (Jersey) Order 2006 to include within the list of developments for which an environmental impact assessment is required the construction, development or installation of a building, or the change of use of a building (in whole or in part), for the purpose of cultivation of plants of the genus *Cannabis* or for the production of products including any part of, or derivative from, plants of the genus *Cannabis*.



Article 2 amends the Planning and Building (General Development) (Jersey) Order 2011. In Schedule 1 (permitted development), Class AA in Part 3 is amended to exclude development of a building for the cultivation of plants of the genus *Cannabis* or the production of products including any part of, or derivative from, plants of the genus *Cannabis*, and alterations to enable or facilitate those purposes, so that an application for planning permission would be required in every such case. In Schedule 2 (use classes), Class D is replaced to exclude from general agricultural purposes the purpose of cultivation of plants of the genus *Cannabis*, or the production of products including any part of, or derivative from, plants of the genus *Cannabis*, so that planning permission would be required for such use.

Article 3 gives the citation and provides for commencement 7 days after the Order is made.

The Order was made on 10th May 2023 and came into force on 17th May 2023.

R&O.33/2023.

Financial Services (Disclosure and Provision of Information – Person with Standing) (Jersey) Order 2023.

Signed by Assistant Chief Minister Deputy M.E. Millar of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity, for and on behalf of the Chief Minister.

The Financial Services (Disclosure and Provision of Information – Person with Standing) (Jersey) Order 2023 prescribes that a creditor of an entity is a “person with standing” for the purposes of Article 19(9) of the Financial Services (Disclosure and Provision of Information) (Jersey) Law 2020 (the “Law”).

Under Article 19 of the Law, a person with standing may apply to the Royal Court for a declaration that the dissolution of an entity under Article 16(5) of the Law is void. Persons with standing include the entity itself, a significant person of the entity, a nominated person for the entity, and the Attorney General. *Article 2* of this Order provides, under Article 19(9)(e) of the Law, that a creditor of an entity dissolved under Article 16(5) of the Law is also a person with standing.

Article 3 provides that, before making an application to the Royal Court under Article 19 of the Law, the creditor must notify the registrar of companies that the application is to be made.

Article 4 gives the citation and provides that the Order will commence 7 days after it is made.

The Order was made on 12th May 2023 and came into force on 19th May 2023.

R&O.34/2023.

Proceeds of Crime (Cannabis Exemption – List of Jurisdictions) (Amendment) (Jersey) Order 2023.

Signed by Assistant Chief Minister Deputy M.E. Millar of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity, for and on behalf of the Chief Minister.

This Order removes South Africa from the list of jurisdictions in the Schedule to the Proceeds of Crime (Cannabis Exemption – List of Jurisdictions) (Jersey) Order 2021 to reflect the decision of the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) of 24 February 2023 to add South Africa to its list of jurisdictions under increased monitoring.

This Order comes into force 7 days after it is made.

The Order was made on 12th May 2023 and came into force on 19th May 2023.



WRITTEN QUESTIONS

(See Item I(a))

1. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North –

“Will the Minister advise how much Stamp Duty has been raised during the first quarter of 2023 within each applicable area?”

2. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North –

“Will the Minister advise how much of her departmental expenditure has been spent on agency staff during the first quarter of 2023?”

3. The Minister for Housing and Communities tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North –

“Given his response to Oral Question 113/2022 which confirmed the completion of the commissioned report in relation to a Digital Property Register, will the Minister advise what work, if any, has been undertaken to implement a digital register for beneficial ownership, and how soon the register will be fully implemented?”

4. The Chief Minister tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade –

“With reference to the Chief Minister’s letter to the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel dated 20th April 2023, will the Chief Minister provide the following information –

- (a) who were the members of Our Hospital Political Oversight Group (‘**OHPOG**’) on 28th September 2022 and which of these were present at the OHPOG meeting on that date (the ‘**OHPOG Meeting**’), other than the Chief Minister, the Constable of St. John and the Infrastructure Minister;
- (b) what was her disagreement with the Infrastructure Minister on policy matters related to the OHPOG meeting to which the Chief Minister’s letter to the Infrastructure Minister dated 7th October referred;
- (c) a copy of the minutes of the OHPOG meeting and all other meetings of the OPHOG as reconstituted during her term of office;
- (d) whether the Council of Ministers meeting on 28th September 2022, took place after the OHPOG Meeting and included discussion of any events that took place at the OHPOG;
- (e) what was the nature of the disagreement regarding the way in which the Chief Executive’s departure had been handled; and
- (f) what steps, if any, does the Chief Minister propose to take to address the concerns expressed by the Infrastructure Minister?”



5. The Chief Minister tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade –

“In relation to the Cabinet Office, will the Chief Minister –

- (a) confirm that she did not consult with the Council of Ministers or seek its prior approval of her selection of the Ministers and Assistant Ministers as members of her Cabinet Office as identified on the gov.je website;
- (b) advise the date and the way she informed all members of the Council of Members of their identity; and
- (c) advise what specific criteria, if any, she used to identify the individuals selected as leaders in ‘forensic, evidence-based, challenging and daring thought leadership’ above any other members of the Council of Ministers?”

6. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade –

“Will the Minister –

- (a) advise what evidence, and what form of modelling, Jersey’s Fiscal Policy Panel used to support its forecast of inflation and interest rates for Jersey over the last three years;
- (b) provide a comparison of the Panel’s inflation and interest rates rise forecasts for Jersey for the last three years with the actual increases that took place in Jersey; and
- (c) advise whether the evidence supports a conclusion that the Panel has given inadequate consideration to US central bank rates as a potential driver of the worldwide rates and inflation?”

7. The Minister for the Environment tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy S.G. Luce of Grouville and St. Martin –

“Will the Minister confirm the average length of time for the following processes over the last 12-month period –

- (a) validation of planning applications;
- (b) determination of minor planning applications following validation; and
- (c) determination of major planning applications following validation?”

8. The Minister for Social Security tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier Central –

“Following the Minister’s response to Written Question 129/2023, in which she confirmed that the Employment Forum had completed its review of Zero Hours Contracts and that the final report would be published shortly, will the Minister commit to publishing the report, in full, by 2nd May 2023 or, failing that, release it to the Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel for its consideration?”

9. The Minister for Children and Education tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central –

“On 18th April 2023 the Minister confirmed that “36 teachers left in the 12 months to the end of March 2023, and this is 4.2 per cent of teacher workforce of 855.”, contrasting with the response to a Freedom of Information request published 8th March 2023, which showed that 445 teachers have left



the profession over the period 2019 to 2022, an average of 111.25 of teachers per year; further to these reported figures, will the Minister advise –

- (a) whether it is expected that a similar number of teachers will leave the profession in 2023;
- (b) whether the average leaving rate between 2019 and 2022 was 12.54%, which is above the average leaving rate for general States of Jersey employees and significantly above the 4.2% stated for the 12 months to March 2023; and
- (c) any disparities identified between the figure provided in the Assembly and the Freedom of Information response?”

10. The Minister for Children and Education tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central –

“With reference to Table 5 of a Freedom of Information request, published 8th March 2023, which shows a pattern of female teaching staff leaving the profession in higher numbers compared to their male counterparts, particularly in the 40 to 59 age group, will the Minister advise –

- (a) what reasons she gives for this pattern;
- (b) what research or dialogue has been, or is due to be, undertaken to understand the loss of female teaching staff; and
- (c) whether those replacing these staff members will reflect the age and demographic lost and, if not, whether she can provide information on the demographics of the replacement staff?”

11. The Minister for Infrastructure tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central –

“Will the Minister describe what plans, if any, are in place to provide a larger facility should Jersey Reds rugby club gain promotion to the Rugby League premiership, given the need for significantly larger capacity for games to take place in Jersey?”

12. The Minister for Infrastructure tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy A. Howell of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity –

“Further to the closure of La Motte Street to vehicular traffic whilst public realm works are undertaken, will the Minister advise –

- (a) what consideration, if any, was given to the access to Customer and Local Services (CLS) at Philip Le Feuvre House for vulnerable Islanders, such as the elderly or those with disabilities and/or mobility issues, during this period;
- (b) whether any exceptions and/or arrangements have been put in place for those Islanders who would ordinarily either be dropped outside the CLS offices or arrive by bus;
- (c) what confidence he has that the timing of the closure will not have a detrimental effect on the completion of paper tax forms, coinciding as it does with the deadline for submission of these forms and the potential need by some Islanders for assistance with their completion; and
- (d) whether there is any possibility that the closure could be deferred until next year when CLS is relocated at the new Cyril Le Marquand House?”



13. The Chief Minister tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South –

“Further to the response to Written Question 54/2023, will the Chief Minister –

- (a) detail each occasion when a Minister has declared a conflict of interest in Council of Ministers meetings, including what the conflict was and what agenda item it applied to; and
- (b) explain whether any declarations of conflicts of interests were made by any members who took part in the review of the 2(1)(e) scheme?”

14. The Minister for Housing and Communities tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South –

“Given the Minister’s stance on rent control presented in his election campaign, will the Minister provide details on any instructions or guidance on the inclusion of rent control that he provided to the officers who developed the rental white paper?”

15. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South –

“Will the Minister provide an updated figure for the estimated extra revenue that would be raised by removing the Upper Earnings Cap from both Social Security Contributions and Long-Term Care Contributions?”

16. The Minister for Housing and Communities tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy L.V. Feltham of St. Helier Central –

“Will the Minister provide details of the processes in place to ensure that all accommodations that should be registered as a lodging house under the Lodging houses (Registration) (Jersey) law 1962 are correctly registered, and that they are also regulated in accordance with the Lodging Houses (General Provisions) (Jersey) Order 1962; and will the Minister further advise whether he is confident that all relevant accommodation is registered, and if not, why not?”

17. The Minister for Home Affairs tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy T.A. Coles of St. Helier South –

“In relation to the States of Jersey Police Licensing Unit, will the Minister provide the following for 2022 and from January to date for 2023 –

- (a) the number of complaints received about licenced premises;
- (b) the number of enforcements brought against licenced premises; and
- (c) the number of arrests made on licenced premises?”

18. The Minister for Home Affairs tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy T.A. Coles of St. Helier South –

“Will the Minister provide the number of alcohol related arrests from 2019 to date, broken down by month?”



19. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer on 2nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy T.A. Coles of St. Helier South –

“Will the Minister provide details of incidents against staff that have been the result of alcohol consumption since 2019, broken down by month?”

20. The Chair of the States Employment Board tabled an answer on 11th May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North –

“Will the Chair advise what data, if any, is available regarding the length of service of Government employees and, if no such data is available, is any consideration being given to the collection and reporting of this data to enable the monitoring of staff retention?”

21. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 11th May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy L.J. Farnham of St. Ouen, St. Mary and St. Peter –

“Will the Minister –

- (a) advise whether the IT system intended to process independent tax returns is also able to process combined tax returns and, if not, what adjustments, if any, would be required to enable this; and
- (b) provide details of the financial and manpower implications of allowing combined, as well as independent, returns?”

22. The Chair of the States Employment Board tabled an answer on 11th May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade –

“Will the Chair provide copies of all training materials provided over the last 5 years to public service workers in relation to ethical conduct, as well as any draft of such material intended for future delivery, and copies of the recently developed training material to which paragraph (c) of the response to Written Question 63/2023 referred?”

23. The Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture tabled an answer on 11th May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South –

“Will the Minister provide a breakdown of the anticipated costs of the recently commissioned review of sport in Jersey to be undertaken by Simon Cooper?”

24. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 11th May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier Central –

“Will the Minister provide an update on the ‘greening’ of the States of Jersey investment portfolio, and will he advise whether he is satisfied with the progress being made in this area?”

25. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 17th May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North –

“Will the Minister advise how much stamp duty has been generated on property transactions over £5,000,000, per annum, since 2018?”



26. The Minister for Infrastructure tabled an answer on 17th May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North –

“Will the Minister advise the total number of disabled parking spaces available Islandwide and what plans, if any, he has in relation to disabled parking spaces during his term of office?”

27. The Chief Minister tabled an answer on 17th May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North –

“Will the Chief Minister provide details of the amount that the Government has expended on the Our Hospital and Healthcare Facilities projects since the commencement of their term of office?”

28. The Chair of the Privileges and Procedures Committee tabled an answer on 17th May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade –

“Will the Chair advise to what extent, if any, consideration is being given to the introduction of voter identification in elections, including the practice of enabling States Members standing in the relevant election to identify constituents who do not possess a formal identification document when voting, and, if voter identification is not being considered, will she undertake to ensure that it is included in all and any discussions taking place regarding electoral reform?”

29. The Chair of the Privileges and Procedures Committee tabled an answer on 17th May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade –

“Will the Chair advise how many (i) States Members, and (ii) members of the public, contacted the Privileges and Procedures Committee with respect to the statement made by the Deputy Chief Minister regarding his lack of knowledge of resignations in the public sector, that was subsequently referred to the Commissioner for Standards?”

30. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North –

“Will the Minister advise how many individuals are awaiting surgical procedures; and of those individuals how many have been awaiting surgical procedures for over six months?”

31. The Minister for the Environment tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North –

“Will the Minister confirm both the number of planning applications that have been rejected in the last five years together with the number of housing units that each would have provided had they not been rejected and the number of planning applications that have been approved together with the number of housing units that they have provided?”

32. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North –

“In relation to the connection of homes to mains water by Jersey Water, will the Minister, as Shareholder representative, advise –



- (a) the number of homes that have been connected in the last three years together with the cost; and
- (b) the proposed number of homes to be connected between 2023 and 2026?”

33. The Chief Minister tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy P.M. Bailhache of St. Clement –

“Given the uncertain political situation globally, due principally to the Russian invasion of Ukraine, will the Chief Minister state what consideration has been given by the Government to improving Jersey’s resilience, and in particular advise –

- (a) whether the Government has imposed any requirements on food wholesalers to maintain stocks of food in the Island;
- (b) what is the current level of food supplies stored in Jersey compared with that of January 2022;
- (c) how many days’ supply of fuel are held in the Island, both for general consumption and for the emergency generation of electricity, both currently and compared with January 2022;
- (d) whether the Government requires the holding of a certain number of days’ supply of other essential supplies, for example medical supplies for the security of public health and, if it does, whether any such requirement has been enhanced since January 2022; and
- (e) whether, given the steps taken by Guernsey and the Isle of Man to invest in ships to improve the resilience of their supply chains, the Government is planning any similar investment to improve Jersey’s resilience?”

34. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy P.M. Bailhache of St. Clement –

“Will the Minister explain, given the Government’s expressed commitment to openness and transparency, why she is unwilling to release to Members, and to the public at large, a copy of the current Memorandum of Understanding between the Home Office and the Minister for Health and Social Services in relation to the cultivation of cannabis?”

35. The Chair of the States Employment Board tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy C.D. Curtis of St. Helier Central –

“Will the Chair state how many senior civil servants and appointees, if any, have been appointed within the last year without going through the precise process outlined in the Jersey Appointment Commission’s Guidelines for the recruitment of Senior States Employees, appointees and members of independent bodies; and, if the process was not followed, will the Chair explain why it was not followed and whether this is considered to be acceptable practice?”

36. The Minister for Infrastructure tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy T.A. Coles of St. Helier South –

“In relation to the Town Link Bus (Route 20), will the Minister advise –

- (a) why the route stopped servicing the South Hill/Bingham Court area;
- (b) what notice, if any, was given to the public regarding the loss of the bus service to this area; and
- (c) whether any consideration is being given to reinstating the service to this area?”



37. The Minister for Housing and Communities tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy T.A. Coles of St. Helier South –

“Does Andium maintain a list of maximum occupancy per unit of accommodation they provide and are they aware of any of their properties that are currently over occupied?”

38. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy A. Howell of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity –

“Given that Health Care Professionals working in Jersey are required to be registered with UK professional registration bodies, will the Minister explain –

- (a) how the qualifications of personnel are checked, and at what point in the recruitment process;
- (b) how the occupational competence of all Locum and Agency Staff is assessed when they are first appointed in Jersey;
- (c) how she ensures that all such recruitment meets her responsibilities in respect of patient safety and quality of care; and
- (d) whether any temporary staff have been granted permission to be in the Island without the proper qualifications, and if so, why?”

39. The Minister for Social Security tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central –

“Will the Minister advise –

- (a) which suppliers are used to supply and fit carpet for rental tenants receiving Government loans for this purpose.
- (b) whether tenants can use any company to access the best deal possible or are they limited to the named suppliers; and
- (c) whether tenants have open choice for colour and type of carpet?”

40. The Chair of the States Employment Board tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central –

“Will the Chair advise how many States employees are currently receiving half pay as a consequence of long-term absence due to illness?”

41. The Minister for Children and Education tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central –

“Further to her response to Written Question 184/2023, in which the Minister stated that research on flexible working was due to be commissioned shortly, will she advise –

- (a) the commencement and completion date of this research;
- (b) how it will be undertaken and when its outcomes will be implemented; and
- (c) how many staff have been refused requests for flexible working options, such as part time or job shares, over the last 3 years?”



42. The Minister for Social Security tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier Central –

“Further to the report from the Employment Forum entitled ‘The Operation And Regulation Of Zero Hour Contracts In Jersey, Together With A Review Of Specific Employment Protections’, will the Minister –

- (a) explain what actions, if any, are under consideration to provide statutory protection for continued breaches of the Employment (Jersey) Law 2003 by employers who fail to provide a statement of the terms and conditions of employment to employees, particularly those on zero-hour contracts who are not being provided with accurate statements of terms and conditions that reflect the working relationship between the parties;
- (b) commit to amending the law to enable employees to have the right to demand, rather than request, that any statement of terms and conditions accurately reflects "regular hours worked"; and
- (c) advise whether she supports the right to compensation for shift cancellation or curtailment, and if not, why not?”

43. The Minister for Social Security tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier Central –

“The recent Employment Forum report ‘The Operation And Regulation Of Zero Hour Contracts In Jersey, Together With A Review Of Specific Employment Protections’ refers to guidance on a 48-hour per week working limit to protect the wellbeing and health of employees; what consideration has the Minister given to the potential impact of the post-Brexit removal of EU protections in the UK on such local good practice, and what further protections, if any, is she considering to ensure the maintenance of best practise?”

44. The Minister for Housing and Communities tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy L.V. Feltham of St. Helier Central –

“Concerning the public consultation: Improving Residential Tenancies in Jersey - Residential Tenancy Law Reform proposals, will the Minister –

- (a) outline the Terms of Reference and provide details of the project scope, methodology, and anticipated outputs, including what qualitative and quantitative data that will be collected and how this will be analysed;
- (b) identify which representative groups, organisations, and individuals were consulted to inform the planning of the consultation;
- (c) outline the target audiences/stakeholder groups that the consultation aims to engage; and
- (d) outline how the consultation has been planned to ensure that it is inclusive and accessible to all the relevant stakeholder groups?”

45. The Assistant Chief Minister tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy L.V. Feltham of St. Helier Central –

“Will the Assistant Chief Minister with responsibility for Government communications outline –

- (a) what work has been undertaken to ensure that Government communications and consultations are inclusive and accessible to all relevant stakeholder groups;



- (b) what advice she or her officers provided to the Minister for Housing and Communities or his officers about the public consultation ‘Improving Residential Tenancies in Jersey - Residential Tenancy Law Reform proposals’ and related communications; and
- (c) the Government policy concerning provision of translations and other accessible formats?”

46. The Minister for Housing and Communities tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy L.V. Feltham of St. Helier Central –

“Will the Minister provide details of any discussions he has had with the Assistant Chief Minister with responsibility for Communications about how Government communications can be improved for the Island’s communities?”

47. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy R.S. Kovacs of St. Saviour –

“On page 13 of P.80/2022 it is stated: *“Based on the latest assumptions of the Fiscal Policy Panel (FPP) and work of the Income Forecasting Group (IFG), income is forecast to exceed the forecasts in the current Government Plan 2022-25 by more than the costs of these measures.”*, will the Minister outline –

- (a) what the latest forecasts are from the IFG or any other reliable sources, regarding income tax measures that were proposed in the 2022-2025 Government Plan; and
- (b) by how much income from tax will exceed the earlier estimates, as per these forecasts, broken down by year across the period 2022-2025?”

48. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy R.S. Kovacs of St. Saviour –

“Further to assurances provided in late 2022 that he would meet with the officers to work on a plan to help homeowners pressured by the increase in mortgage rates, will the Minister explain –

- (a) what actions have been taken since then for affected homeowners and what support is currently available for those impacted by this situation; and
- (b) given the further recent rise in the Bank of England rate, what actions does the Minister intend to take to support homeowners at risk of losing their homes, if they are unable to keep up with the increased mortgage payments?”

49. The Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy R.S. Kovacs of St. Saviour –

“Regarding the Tourism Development Fund, will the Minister confirm –

- (a) whether this fund is still active, and if it is, what the current balance is, and what plans are in place for the next three years to utilise the funds; and
- (b) how much has been paid in and out of the fund each year since its establishment and to whom?”

50. The Minister for Home Affairs tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier Central –



“Will the Minister advise of any ongoing or intended work in relation to updating the Matrimonial Causes (Jersey) Law 1949; and if such workstream exists, what proposed changes are included within it?”

51. The Chair of the States Employment Board tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy C.D. Curtis of St. Helier Central –

“Given that Standard 3 of the Jersey Appointment Commission’s guidelines sets out that *“Each role will be advertised in such a way to encourage applicants from all sectors and groups, especially those who are under-represented at senior levels within public service”*; will the Chair explain what consideration, if any, was given to this standard when the recruitment for the Director General of the Children, Young People, Education and Skills department took place?”

52. The Chair of the States Employment Board tabled an answer on 22nd May 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy C.D. Curtis of St. Helier Central –

“Further to information provided within a Freedom of Information request published on 21st April 2023, will the Chair explain why the Jersey Appointment Commission’s guidelines were not followed in relation to the recruitment of the Director General for Children, Young People, Education and Skills?”



Explanatory Note regarding the main respondents for items listed under Public Business

(Item L)

In accordance with Standing Order 104A, a time limit of 15 minutes applies to speeches made during debate, unless discretion has been exercised to allow for a longer, or shorter, time limit. No time limit applies to either speech made by the proposer.

Discretion is exercised by the Presiding Officer in accordance with guidance issued by the Bailiff, following consultation with the Privileges and Procedures Committee. The current guidance was presented to the States in the report 'Time Limits on Speeches in Debates: Guidance on the Exercise of Discretion' (R.3/2021). The report states that discretion may be exercised to allow for a longer speech than 15 minutes where the member speaking is designated as the 'main respondent' to the debate.

The following members have been identified as the main respondents in the debates listed to occur at this meeting, subject to change with the agreement of the Bailiff –

Debate	Main Respondent(s)
Draft Commissioner for Children and Young People (Amendment of Law) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. (P.12/2023).	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chair of the Children, Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel
Draft Probate (Amendment) (Jersey) Law 202-. (P.16/2023).	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chair of the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel
Draft Control of Housing and Work (Residential and Employment Status) (Amendment No. 2) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. (P.20/2023).	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chair of the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel
Amendment to Standing Orders – remote participation in States meetings. (P.21/2023).	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Chair of the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel



ORAL QUESTIONS TO MINISTERS WITHOUT NOTICE
(See Item I(c))

Questions without notice 2023

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12th September	Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture	Environment	Chief Minister
3rd October	External Relations	Health and Social Services	Chief Minister
17th October	Home Affairs	Housing and Communities	Chief Minister
7th November	Infrastructure	International Development	Chief Minister
28th November	Social Security	Treasury and Resources	Chief Minister
12th December	Children and Education	Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture	Chief Minister