

# STATES OF JERSEY ORDER PAPER

# 28th NOVEMBER 2023

# **SUMMARY**

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:

- Minister for Social Security
- Minister for Treasury and Resources
- Chief Minister

Statements (if any)

Approx. 2.15 p.m.

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**Draft Financial Services (Disclosure and Provision of Information)** (Amendment) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. (P.79/2023).

**Draft Limited Partnerships (Annual Addition Charge) (Amendment)** (Jersey) Regulations 202-. (P.80/2023).

**Draft Children (Convention Rights) (Commencement) (Jersey) Act 202-** (P.81/2023).

Planning and Building (Conservation Areas) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. (P.83/2023).

**Draft Christmas Bonus (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Jersey) Regulations 202-.** (P.84/2023).

Minimum Residential Space Standards. (P.87/2023 (re-issue)).

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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 29th, Thursday 30th November and Friday 1st December 2023 if necessary.



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# A. COMMUNICATIONS BY THE PRESIDING OFFICER

# B. TABLING OF SUBORDINATE ENACTMENTS

(Explanatory note attached)

Bankruptcy (Désastre) (Amendment No. 3) (Jersey) Order 2023. R&O.96/2023. *Chief Minister*.

Control of Housing and Work (Guidance on Temporary Absence and R&O.98/2023. Significant Ownership) (Amendment No. 4) (Jersey) Order 2023. *Chief Minister.* 

Long-Term Care (Benefits) (Amendment No. 12) (Jersey) Order 2023. R&O.99/2023. *Minister for Social Security.* 

Long-Term Care Services (Health and Social Services Charges) R&O.100/2023. (Amendment No. 11) (Jersey) Order 2023.

Minister for Social Security.

Home Affairs (Fire and Rescue and Petroleum – 2024 Fees) (Jersey) Order R&O.101/2023. 2023.

Minister for Justice and Home Affairs.

States of Jersey (Ministerial Offices – Minister for Sustainable Economic R&O.102/2023. Development) Order 2023.

Nursing Homes (2024 Fees) (Jersey) Order 2023. R&O.103/2023. Chief Minister.

<u>Cremation (Fees – Amendment) (Jersey) Order 2023.</u>

<u>Minister for Health and Social Services.</u>

R&O.104/2023.

# C. DOCUMENTS PRESENTED

Chief Minister.

Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) P.40/2023. Regulations 202-. (P.40/2023): comments. Com.(2). Presented: 23rd November 2023, *Minister for the Environment*.

Reform of the composition of the States Assembly (P.76/2023) – addendum. P.76/2023.

Presented: 22nd November 2023, *Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade.* Add.

Minimum Residential Space standards (P.87/2023): comments.

Presented: 23rd November 2023, *Minister for the Environment*.

Com.

Transfers between Heads of Expenditure under the Public Finances (Jersey) R.167/2023. Law 2019: Article 18 – 3rd October 2023.

Presented: 8th November 2023, Minister for Treasury and Resources.

States Investment Strategies. R.168/2023. Presented: 8th November 2023, *Minister for Treasury and Resources*.



Jersey Data Protection Authority: extension of Chairman appointment. Presented: 13th November 2023, <i>Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture.</i>	R.169/2023.
Transfers between Heads of Expenditure under the Public Finances (Jersey) Law 2019: Article 18 – 13th November 2023.  Presented: 14th November 2023, <i>Minister for Treasury and Resources</i> .	R.170/2023.
Transfers between Heads of Expenditure under the Public Finances (Jersey) Law 2019: Article 18 – 10th November 2023. Presented: 14th November 2023, <i>Minister for Treasury and Resources</i>	R.171/2023.
Major and Strategic Projects, including Capital Projects. Presented: 20th November 2023, <i>Comptroller and Auditor General</i> .	R.172/2023.
Classification of the Functions of Government Report 2022. Presented: 21st November 2023, <i>Minister for Treasury and Resources</i> .	R.173/2023.
New Healthcare Facilities Programme Review – Interim Report. Presented: 10th November 2023, <i>Future Hospital Review Panel</i> .	S.R.3/2023.
Review of Income Support Benefit Overpayments (S.R.1/2023): Response of the Minister for Social Security.  Presented: 21st November 2023, <i>Minister for Social Security</i> .	S.R.1/2023. Res.
NOTIFICATION OF LODGED PROPOSITIONS	
Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202 (P.40/2023): eleventh amendment. Lodged: 15th November 2023, <i>Minister for the Environment</i> .	P.40/2023. Amd.(11).
Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202- (P.40/2023): eleventh amendment (P.40/2023 Amd.(11)) – amendment.  Lodged: 21st November 2023, <i>Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel</i> .	P.40/2023. Amd.(11). Amd.
Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202- (P.40/2023): eleventh amendment (P.40/2023 Amd.(11)) – second amendment. Lodged: 21st November 2023, <i>Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel</i> .	P.40/2023. Amd.(11). Amd.(2).
Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027 (P.72/2023): fourth amendment. Capping RegTech super-deduction. Lodged: 14th November 2023, <i>Deputy C.D. Curtis of St. Helier Central</i> .	P.72/2023. Amd.(4).
Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027 (P.72/2023): fifth amendment. A scheme for right-sizing.  Lodged: 14th November 2023, <i>Deputy T.A. Coles of St. Helier South</i> .	P.72/2023. Amd.(5).
Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027 (P.72/2023): sixth amendment. Medical Hosiery and wound dressing funding. Lodged: 20th November 2023, <i>Deputy R.S. Kovacs of St. Saviour</i> .	P.72/2023. Amd.(6).

D.



Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027 (P.72/2023): seventh amendment. Extension of marginal relief. Lodged: 20th November 2023, <i>Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South</i> .	P.72/2023. Amd.(7).
Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027 (P.72/2023): eighth amendment. Extend existing bus pass scheme to individuals 21 years of age and under. Lodged: 21st November 2023, <i>Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central</i> .	P.72/2023. Amd.(8).
Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027 (P.72/2023): ninth amendment. Subsidised Annual Bus Pass. Lodged: 20th November 2023, <i>Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central</i> .	P.72/2023. Amd.(9).
Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027 (P.72/2023): tenth amendment. Payroll Expenditure. Lodged: 23rd November 2023, <i>Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North</i> .	P.72/2023. Amd.(10).
Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027 (P.72/2023): eleventh amendment. Assisted Purchase Home Ownership Scheme. Lodged: 23rd November 2023, <i>Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North</i> .	P.72/2023. Amd.(11).
Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027 (P.72/2023): twelfth amendment. Value for Money Savings. Lodged: 23rd November 2023, <i>Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel</i> .	P.72/2023. Amd.(12).
Appointment of Non-Executive Directors and new Chair to the States of Jersey Development Company.  Lodged: 10th November 2023, <i>Minister for Treasury and Resources</i> .	P.95/2023. (re-issue).
Appointment of the Commissioner for Children and Young People. Lodged: 20th November 2023, <i>Chief Minister</i> .	P.96/2023.
Draft Crime (Public Order) (Jersey) Law 202 Lodged: 22nd November 2023, <i>Minister for Justice and Home Affairs</i> .	P.97/2023.

# E. WITHDRAWAL OF LODGED PROPOSITIONS

In accordance with Standing Order 34(1), the proposers of the following propositions lodged 'au Greffe' have informed the Greffier of the States that they are to be withdrawn -

Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202 (P.40/2023): amendment. Lodged: 13th September 2023, <i>Minister for the Environment</i> .	P.40/2023. Amd.
Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202 (P.40/2023): second amendment. Lodged: 23rd October 2023, <i>Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel</i> .	P.40/2023. Amd.(2).
Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202 (P.40/2023): third amendment. Lodged: 23rd October 2023, <i>Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel</i> .	P.40/2023. Amd.(3).

Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey)
Regulations 202-. (P.40/2023): fourth amendment.

Lodged: 23rd October 2023, Environment, Housing and Infrastructure
Scrutiny Panel.



Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202 (P.40/2023): fifth amendment. Lodged: 23rd October 2023, <i>Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel</i> .	P.40/2023. Amd.(5).
Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202 (P.40/2023): sixth amendment. Lodged: 23rd October 2023, <i>Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel</i> .	P.40/2023. Amd.(6).
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Amendment to Standing Orders –statements.  Lodged: 20th October 2023, <i>Privileges and Procedures Committee</i> .	P.85/2023.
Health Care Expenditure Projections. Lodged: 25th October 2023, <i>Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier Central</i> .	P.86/2023.

# F. APPOINTMENT OF MINISTERS, COMMITTEES AND PANELS

# G. MATTERS OF PRIVILEGE

# H. PETITIONS

# I. QUESTIONS

# (a) - Written Questions

(see attached)

# WQ.441/2023 1. The President of the Scrutiny Liaison Committee tabled an answer on 13th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North regarding supporting amending Standing Orders in relation to scrutiny panel membership.

# WQ.442/2023 2. The Minister for the Environment tabled an answer on 13th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade regarding the Minister's power to protect trees through listing in accordance with Article 58 of the Planning and Building (Jersey) Law 2002.



- WQ.443/2023 3. The Minister for Justice and Home Affairs tabled an answer on 13th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central regarding mobile phone inbuilt tracking software used by the police in investigations.
- WQ.444/2023 4. The Chief Minister tabled an answer on 13th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South regarding the Register of Names and Addresses Commissioner.
- WQ.445/2023 5. The Minister for Children and Education tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North regarding the funding of all Jersey schools.
- WQ.446/2023 6. The Minister for Children and Education tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North regarding the amount of Government expenditure across education.
- WQ.447/2023 7. The Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North regarding requiring Estate Agents operating in the Island to undertake exams.
- WQ.448/2023 8. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy A. Howell of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity regarding a breakdown of the 2024 staff funding allocated to Covid-19.
- WQ.449/2023 9. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy A. Howell of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity regarding the Jersey Care Model.
- WQ.450/2023 10. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy A. Howell of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity regarding an updated version of Table 1: Costs and Headcount included in the draft Government Plan 2024-2027.
- WQ.451/2023 11. The Chief Minister tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South regarding the "Jersey Unity Statement".
- WQ.452/2023

  12. H.M. Attorney General tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South regarding potential risks Jersey is exposed to regarding potential war crimes in Gaza.
- WQ.453/2023 13. The Chief Minister tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South regarding Government expenditure on adverts, articles and supplements in the Jersey Evening Post.
- WQ.454/2023 14. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy T.A. Coles of St. Helier South regarding the money spent by the States of Jersey Development Company on the South Hill project.
- WQ.455/2023 15. The Minister for the Environment tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy T.A. Coles of St. Helier South regarding planning application appeals.
- WQ.456/2023 16. The Chair of the States Employment Board tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy C.S. Alves of St. Helier Central regarding the number of people leaving Government employment.



- WQ.457/2023 17. The Chair of the States Employment Board tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy C.S. Alves of St. Helier Central regarding the number of contracts the Government has with third parties where the requirement to pay the living wage is not included.
- WQ.458/2023 18. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy C.S. Alves of St. Helier Central regarding personal Income Tax returns.
- WQ.459/2023 19. The Chief Minister tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to a question asked by the Connétable of St. Mary regarding the Data Protection Tribunal.
- WQ.460/2023 20. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to a question asked by the Connétable of St. Mary regarding the Mental Health Review Tribunal.
- WQ.461/2023 21. The Minister for Social Security tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to a question asked by the Connétable of St. Mary regarding the costs of multiple Tribunals.
- WQ.462/2023 22. The Minister for Social Security tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade regarding the free period products scheme.
- WQ.463/2023 23. The Chief Minister tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade regarding the delay in the introduction of a Public Services Ombudsperson.
- WQ.464/2023 24. The Chief Minister tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade regarding the powers of the proposed Public Services Ombudsperson.
- WQ.465/2023 25. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy L.V. Feltham of St. Helier Central regarding letters of comfort.
- WQ.466/2023 26. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to a question asked by Deputy L.V. Feltham of St. Helier Central regarding risk assessments in relation to the Regulatory Technology (Reg Tech) Super Deduction.

# (b) - Oral Questions

(2 hours 20 minutes)

- OQ.227/2023 1. Deputy A. Howell of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity will ask the following question of the Chair of the Privileges and Procedures Committee
  - "Will the Chair advise what consultation took place, if any, with the BBC, before they ceased their live streaming of States meetings; and will she commit to liaising with them to try to restore this service?"
- OQ.229/2023 2. Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central will ask the following question of the Chair of the States Employment Board
  - "Will the Chair advise what additional offer, if any, has been made to teachers to resolve the current pay dispute?"



OQ.237/2023 3. The Connétable of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Housing and Communities –

"Given the number of new housing units being built or planned in the vicinity of the Millennium Town Park, will the Minister advise whether the Government's plan to build a new primary school in the area, rather than an extension to the Park, is being reconsidered; and if not, why not?"

OQ.224/2023 4. Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North will ask the following question of the Minister for Infrastructure –

"Will the Minister advise whether consideration has been, or is to be, given for the Jersey Development Company to be appointed the property manager for all Government-owned dwellings, to allow complete oversight of all Government stocks, and whether this change could provide additional accommodation for key workers?"

OQ.228/2023 5. Deputy T.A. Coles of St. Helier South will ask the following question of the Minister for the Environment –

"Will the Minister advice if all proposed new building developments will only receive planning and building permission if all toilets and bathrooms meet the minimum requirements set out in Building Bye-laws (Jersey) 2007, Technical Guidance Document: Part 8, and if not, why not?"

OQ.235/2023 6. Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier Central will ask the following question of the Chief Minister –

"Will the Chief Minister advise whether the figures included in the Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027 under the references "deep-dive reviews", "value for money targets", "financial recovery programmes", and "efficiency savings" are related to last year's public service cuts that were not delivered; and will she provide more detail on these areas to ensure success in 2024?"

OQ.231/2023 7. Deputy L.V. Feltham of St. Helier Central will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources –

"Will the Minister advise whether he has reviewed, or will review, the causes for the error rate on tax assessments, and if not, why not?"

OQ.232/2023 8. Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade will ask the following question of the Minister for the Environment –

"Will the Minister advise whether there is any requirement for the Government to ensure that listed buildings located in prominent public areas are maintained; and if there is, how this is enforced?"

OQ.225/2023 9. The Connétable of St. Martin will ask the following question of the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture –

"In relation to the UK Online Safety Act, and in light of the Government's decisions to decline a Permissive Extent Clause, will the Minister advise what discussions, if any, are taking place between the Government and the UK Government to provide similar protection to Islanders, including the online regulation of the largest and highest risk services and offences?"



OQ.233/2023 10. Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South will ask the following question of the Minister for Infrastructure -

> "Will the Minster advise what action, if any, is being taken to support Jersey's farmers while the abattoir remains closed?"

OQ.236/2023 11. Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier Central will ask the following question of the Minister for Social Security –

> "Will the Minister advise what evidence she has used to support the use of sanctions in the welfare system to help get claimants back to work; and will she detail the training that her Department's support workers receive to help return claimants to work?"

OQ.230/2023 12. Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central will ask the following question of the Minister for Children and Education -

> "Will the Minister advise how the educational reform allowance included in the offer accepted by head teachers will affect the educational reform programme?"

OO.226/2023 13. Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North will ask the following question of the Minister for Justice and Home Affairs -

> "Will the Minister state the number of cases since 2018 of female police officers who have been assaulted while on duty, broken down by incidents of verbal, physical, and sexual assault?"

OQ.234/2023 14. Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South will ask the following question of the Minister for Justice and Home Affairs –

> "Will the Minister state whether she accepts all of the recommendations from the report by the Taskforce on Violence Against Women and Girls and, if she does, will she advise when the Government intends to publish a timetable for the implementation of those recommendations?"

(c) – Questions to Ministers without notice

(45 minutes)

1st question period – Minister for Social Security

2nd question period – Minister for Treasury and Resources

3rd question period – Chief Minister

### J. PERSONAL STATEMENTS

### STATEMENTS ON A MATTER OF OFFICIAL RESPONSIBILITY K.

### PUBLIC BUSINESS L.

Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) P.40/2023. **Regulations 202-.** (P.40/2023).

Lodged: 5th June 2023, Minister for the Environment.

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<b>Reform of the composition of the States Assembly.</b> Lodged: 26th September 2023, <i>Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade.</i>	P.76/2023.
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<b>Draft Children (Convention Rights) (Commencement) (Jersey) Act 202-</b> Lodged: 16th October 2023, <i>Minister for Children and Education</i> .	P.81/2023.



Planning and Buil	ding (C	onservati	on Area	ıs) (Jerse	y) Ke	gulatio	ons 20	2	P.83/2023.
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**Draft Christmas Bonus (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Jersey)** P.84/2023. **Regulations 202-.** 

Lodged: 17th October 2023, Minister for Social Security.

Minimum Residential Space Standards.P.87/2023.Lodged: 25th October 2023, Deputy T.A. Coles of St. Helier South.(re-issue).

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Com.

**Draft Planning and Building (Amendment No. 8) (Repeal) (Jersey) Law** P.90/2023. **202-.** 

Lodged: 31st October 2023, Deputy Sir P.M. Bailhache of St. Clement.

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# M. ARRANGEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

# 12th December 2023

Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027. Lodged: 19th September 2023, Council of Ministers.	P.72/2023.
Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027 (P.72/2023): amendment. Social Security grant funding Lodged: 18th October 2023, <i>Deputy Sir P.M. Bailhache of St. Clement</i> .	P.72/2023. Amd.
<b>Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027 (P.72/2023): second amendment.</b> Removal of RegTech super-deduction. Lodged: 18th October 2023, <i>Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North.</i>	P.72/2023. Amd.(2).
Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027 (P.72/2023): third amendment. Removal of upper earnings caps. Lodged: 2nd November 2023. <i>Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South.</i>	P.72/2023. Amd.(3).
Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027 (P.72/2023): fourth amendment. Capping RegTech super-deduction. Lodged: 14th November 2023, <i>Deputy C.D. Curtis of St. Helier Central</i> .	P.72/2023. Amd.(4).
Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027 (P.72/2023): fifth amendment. A scheme for right-sizing.  Lodged: 14th November 2023, <i>Deputy T.A. Coles of St. Helier South.</i>	P.72/2023. Amd.(5).
Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027 (P.72/2023): sixth amendment. Medical Hosiery and wound dressing funding.	P.72/2023. Amd.(6).

Lodged: 20th November 2023, Deputy R.S. Kovacs of St. Saviour.



Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027 (P.72/2023): seventh amendment.	P.72/2023. Amd.(7).
Extension of marginal relief. Lodged: 20th November 2023, <i>Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South</i> .	
<b>Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027 (P.72/2023): eighth amendment.</b> Extend existing bus pass scheme to individuals 21 years of age and under. Lodged: 21st November 2023, <i>Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central</i> .	P.72/2023. Amd.(8).
<b>Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027 (P.72/2023): ninth amendment.</b> Subsidised Annual Bus Pass. Lodged: 20th November 2023, <i>Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central.</i>	P.72/2023. Amd.(9).
Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027 (P.72/2023): tenth amendment. Payroll Expenditure. Lodged: 23rd November 2023, <i>Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North</i> .	P.72/2023. Amd.(10).
Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027 (P.72/2023): eleventh amendment.  Assisted Purchase Home Ownership Scheme.  Lodged: 23rd November 2023, Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North.	P.72/2023. Amd.(11).
Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027 (P.72/2023): twelfth amendment. Value for Money Savings.  Lodged: 23rd November 2023, Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel.	P.72/2023. Amd.(12).
Draft Health Insurance (Amendment of Law – Contracts for Administration of Vaccines) (Jersey) Regulations 202 Lodged: 30th October 2023, Minister for Social Security.	P.88/2023.
Draft Social Security (Amendment of Law – Payments into Social Security Fund) (Jersey) Regulations 202 Lodged: 31st October 2023, Minister for Social Security.	P.89/2023.
<b>Draft Finance (2024 Budget) (Jersey) Law 202</b> Lodged: 31st October 2023, <i>Minister for Treasury and Resources</i> .	P.91/2023.
Draft Act declaring that the Finance (2024 Budget) (Jersey) Law 202- has immediate effect: addendum to P.91/2023.  Presented: 2nd November 2023, <i>Minister for Treasury and Resources</i> .	P.91/2023. Add.
Appointment of Non-Executive Directors and new Chair to the States of Jersey Development Company.  Lodged: 10th November 2023, Minister for Treasury and Resources.	P.95/2023. (re-issue).
Appointment of the Commissioner for Children and Young People. Lodged: 20th November 2023, <i>Chief Minister</i> .	P.96/2023.

Note: Because of the requirement for a four-week lodging period, the minimum lodging period for the proposition by the Chief Minister will expire on Monday 18th December 2023. The Minister has therefore given notice of her intention to propose, in accordance with Standing Order 26(7), that the minimum lodging period for the proposition be reduced in order that it can be debated at the meeting.



# **16th January 2024**

Ethical Standards – States Members. Lodged: 26th September 2023, Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade.	P.75/2023.
Ethical Standards – States Members (P.75/2023): comments. Presented: 10th October 2023, <i>Privileges and Procedures Committee</i> .	P.75/2023. Com.
Amendment to Standing Orders – Political Awareness and Education Privileges and Procedures Sub-Committee.  Lodged: 1st November 2023, Privileges and Procedures Committee.	P.92/2023.
Amendment to Standing Orders – States Decision Tracker. Lodged: 3rd November 2023, <i>Privileges and Procedures Committee</i> .	P.93/2023.
<b>Draft Crime (Public Order) (Jersey) Law 202</b> Lodged: 22nd November 2023, <i>Minister for Justice and Home Affairs</i> .	P.97/2023.
6th February 2024	
Draft Planning and Building (Commencement of No. 8 Amendment Law) (Jersey) Act 202 Lodged: 19th September 2023, Minister for the Environment.	P.71/2023.
19th March 2024	
Offshore Wind. Lodged: 17th October 2023, Council of Ministers.	P.82/2023.

P.94/2023.

# L.-M. HART Greffier of the States

Lodged: 7th November 2023, Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North.

Scrutiny Panel constitution: Minimum size.

23rd November 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 29th, Thursday 30th November and Friday 1st December 2023.



# Explanatory Note regarding subordinate legislation tabled at this meeting.

(See Item B)

# R&O.96/2023.

Bankruptcy (Désastre) (Amendment No. 3) (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 amends Article 5 of the Bankruptcy (Désastre) (Jersey) Order 2006.

The amendments increase the prescribed maximum amounts payable under Article 32(1)(b)(i) and (ii) of the Bankruptcy (Désastre) (Jersey) Law 1990. The amounts are payable to an employee of a debtor in respect of an amount due to the employee at the date of the declaration *en désastre* in respect of arrears of –

- wages or salary for services rendered to the debtor during the 6 months immediately preceding the declaration, and
- holiday pay and bonuses.

These prescribed amounts were last increased in April 2018.

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

The Order was made on 7th November 2023 and came into force on 14th November 2023.

# R&O.98/2023.

Control of Housing and Work (Guidance on Temporary Absence and Significant Ownership) (Amendment No. 4) (Jersey) Order 2023.

Signed by Assistant Chief Minister Deputy L.K.F. Stephenson of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter, for and on behalf of the Chief Minister.

This Order amends the Control of Housing and Work (Guidance on Temporary Absence and Significant Ownership) (Jersey) Order 2013.

The Chief Minister issued new guidance in October 2023 concerning the effect on a person's residential and employment status of any temporary absence from Jersey. It replaces guidance issued in May 2019. The amendments give effect to the new guidance starting on the day on which this Order comes into force, which is 7 days after the Order is made.

The Order was made on 9th November 2023 and came into force on 16th November 2023.

# R&O.99/2023.

Long-Term Care (Benefits) (Amendment No. 12) (Jersey) Order 2023.

Minister for Social Security.

This Order amends the Long-Term Care (Benefits) (Jersey) Order 2014 (the "2014 Order") to increase by approximately 7.7% –

- the rates of long-term care benefit for weekly standard care costs (specified in Article 8 of the 2014 Order) (*Article 2*);
- the amounts that a person must pay towards the weekly costs of living in an approved home and for incidental expenses (specified in Article 9 of the 2014 Order) (*Article 3*);



- the amounts that a person must pay towards the person's standard care costs before the person qualifies to receive a long-term care benefit for standard care costs (specified in Article 10 of the 2014 Order) (*Article 4*);
- the amount that may be loaned to a person to enable the person to pay the costs of living in an approved home (specified in Article 12 of the 2014 Order) (*Article 5*).

These rates and amounts were last increased with effect from 1st January 2023.

This Order comes into force on 1st January 2024.

The Order was made on 9th November 2023 and comes into force on 1st January 2024.

# R&O.100/2023.

Long-Term Care Services (Health and Social Services Charges) (Amendment No. 11) (Jersey) Order 2023. *Minister for Health and Social Services*.

This Order amends the Long-Term Care Services (Health and Social Services Charges) (Jersey) Order 2014 to increase, by approximately 7.7%, the charges specified in that Order for care services provided in a care home or group home. These charges were last increased with effect from 1st January 2023.

The charges specified for each level of long-term care services have been calculated as follows:

rate for long-term care benefit for the equivalent level of standard care

+

amount that a person must pay towards the weekly costs of living in an approved home, excluding incidental expenses

The rate for long-term care benefit is prescribed in Article 8 of the Long-Term Care (Benefits) (Jersey) Order 2014 (the "Benefits Order"), and the amount that a person must pay towards the weekly costs of living in an approved home are prescribed in Article 9(c) of the Benefits Order, and both are to be increased for 2024.

This Order comes into force on 1st January 2024.

The Order was made on 9th November 2023 and comes into force on 1st January 2024.

# R&O.101/2023.

Home Affairs (Fire and Rescue and Petroleum -2024 Fees) (Jersey) Order 2023.

Minister for Justice and Home Affairs.

This Order increases the fees payable under the following Orders –

- (a) the Fire Precautions (Fees) (Jersey) Order 2010, by between 2% and 2.3%;
- (b) the Fire and Rescue Service (Charges) (Jersey) Order 2012, by between 1.9% and 2.4%; and
- (c) the Petroleum (Licensing) (Fees) (Jersey) Order 2012, by between 2.2% and 2.5%.

These fees were last increased with effect from 1st January 2023.

This Order also amends the Fire Precautions (Fees) (Jersey) Order 2010 to provide for a minimum fee for an application for a fire certificate, and to clarify that the fee for a replacement fire certificate also applies to an application for renewal of a fire certificate. It makes minor clarificatory amendments to the Fire and Rescue Service (Charges) (Jersey) Order 2012, and makes minor amendments to apply current drafting practice to the Petroleum (Licensing) (Fees) (Jersey) Order 2012.



The Order was made on 16th November 2023 and comes into force on 1st January 2024.

# R&O.102/2023.

States of Jersey (Ministerial Offices – Minister for Sustainable Economic Development) Order 2023. *Chief Minister*.

This Order renames the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture as the Minister for Sustainable Economic Development, and makes amendments to legislation consequential on that renaming.

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

The Order was made on 17th November 2023 and came into force on 24th November 2023.

# R&O.103/2023.

Nursing Homes (2024 Fees) (Jersey) Order 2023.

Chief Minister.

This Order amends the Nursing Homes (General Provisions) (Jersey) Order 1995. It comes into force on 1st January 2024.

The amendments increase by 2.5% –

- the fee payable for an application for registration by a person carrying on, or intending to carry on, a nursing home;
- the fee payable for an application for registration by another person who is, or is intended to be, in charge of a nursing home; and
- the annual fee payable by a registered person.

The fees were last increased on 1st January 2023.

The Order was made on 20th November 2023 and comes into force on 1st January 2024.

# R&O.104/2023.

Cremation (Fees – Amendment) (Jersey) Order 2023.

Minister for Health and Social Services.

The Cremation (Fees – Amendment) (Jersey) Order 2023 amends the Cremation (Fees) (Jersey) Order 2007 to increase the fee for cremating the remains of a person aged 18 or over from £738.50 to £828, an increase of 12.1%. Approval for this increase has been granted by Treasury. The fee for cremating the remains of a person aged under 18 remains nil. The Order also increases the maximum fee that a medical practitioner may charge for completing the medical certificate required by Regulation 6(a) of the Cremation (Jersey) Regulations 1961 from £82 to £100, an increase of 22%. The fees were last increased on 1st January 2017. The Order comes into force on 1st January 2024.

The Order was made on 23rd November 2023 and comes into force on 1st January 2024.



(See Item I(a))

- 1. The President of the Scrutiny Liaison Committee tabled an answer on 13th November 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North
  - "Will the President advise if the Scrutiny Liaison Committee supports amending Standing Orders in relation to scrutiny panel membership, requiring a minimum number of three elected members on each panel, and if not, why not?"
- 2. The Minister for the Environment tabled an answer on 13th November 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade
  - "Further to Written Question 429/2023, and in relation to the Minister's power to protect trees through listing in accordance with Article 58 of the Planning and Building (Jersey) Law 2002, will the Minister advise, for the period since he took office
    - (a) the minimum, maximum and average time taken by officers to respond to requests to list trees;
    - (b) how many requests for listing trees have yet to receive a response from officers;
    - (c) how many requests for listing trees have led to listing orders; and
    - (d) the number of planning permits issued that protect one or more specific trees through a condition in the planning permit?"
- 3. The Minister for Justice and Home Affairs tabled an answer on 13th November 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central
  - "Will the Minister advise whether mobile phone inbuilt tracking software (such as Find My iPhone) is used by the police in investigations of theft in Jersey; and will she further advise whether data obtained from victims of crime is used to assist in the recovery of stolen goods?"
- 4. The Chief Minister tabled an answer on 13th November 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South
  - "Will the Minister confirm who she has appointed as the Register of Names and Addresses Commissioner, as required under Article 7 of the Register of Names and Addresses (Jersey) Law 2012, and if a Commissioner has not been appointed, why not; and advise what reports she has received under Article 7(6) of this legislation?"
- 5. The Minister for Children and Education tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North
  - "Regarding the funding of all Jersey schools, will the Minister
    - (a) detail the percentage breakdown between private and Government funding at each school; and
    - (b) provide her assessment of the extent to which private investment in education could affect educational equality and outcomes?"



6. The Minister for Children and Education tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North –

"Will the Minister state the amount of Government expenditure across the following areas of education for each year between 2018 and 2022 –

- (a) primary schools;
- (b) secondary schools; and
- (c) university and tertiary education?"
- 7. The Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North –

"Will the Minister advise whether any consideration either has been, or is being, given to requiring Estate Agents operating in the Island to undertake exams to ensure a sufficient understanding of Jersey's legislation; and, if not, why not?"

8. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy A. Howell of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity –

"Further to her Ministerial comments on P.86/2023, will the Minister provide a breakdown of the 2024 staff funding allocated to Covid-19, including –

- (a) how many full-time equivalent (FTE) posts are included in the funding;
- (b) where any such staff are located; and
- (c) what work they are undertaking;

and if 2024 funding figures are not available, will she provide this information for 2023?"

9. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy A. Howell of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity –

"Regarding the Jersey Care Model, will the Minister detail –

- (a) how the original budget has been utilised, including key projects and spend areas;
- (b) if any work on the Jersey Care Model is ongoing; and
- (c) what funding remains available, if any?"
- 10. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy A. Howell of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity –

"Further to the response to Written Question 404/2023, will the Minister provide an updated version of Table 1: Costs and Headcount, to include the anticipated 2024 costs and additional 25 full-time equivalent (FTE) posts, as included in the draft Government Plan 2024-2027?"



11. The Chief Minister tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South –

"Further to the publication of the 'Jersey Unity Statement', in which the Chief Minister called for a "pause in hostilities" in Gaza, in alignment with the UK Government's position, will she provide details of all communications either she has had, or which Government officials have had, with the UK Government regarding this policy position, and will she state whether any consideration has been given to adopting the position of the United Nations General Assembly, in support of a ceasefire, rather than that of the UK?"

12. H.M. Attorney General tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South –

"In light of a recent warning by Tory MP Crispin Blunt, that "the UK could be complicit in war crimes in Gaza and could face legal action if it does not do more to 'restrain' Israel", will H.M. Attorney General clarify what risks, if any, does this potentially expose Jersey to, considering that the UK is responsible for our foreign policy and security?"

13. The Chief Minister tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South –

"Further to the response to Written Question 330/2023, will the Chief Minister provide an update on how much was spent by Government on adverts, articles and supplements in the Jersey Evening Post in Quarter 3 of this year?"

14. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy T.A. Coles of St. Helier South –

"Will the Minister provide a breakdown of the money spent by the States of Jersey Development Company on the South Hill project to date?"

15. The Minister for the Environment tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy T.A. Coles of St. Helier South –

"Will the Minister advise how a planning application decision made following an Independent Planning Inspector review can be appealed, and how the planning process allows for revised proposals and plans to be considered?"

16. The Chair of the States Employment Board tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy C.S. Alves of St. Helier Central –

"Further to Written Question 275/2023, will the Chair provide a breakdown by department of the number of people leaving Government employment over the last three years and how many of them completed an exit interview; and will she provide the top 5 reasons that were stated for leaving?"



17. The Chair of the States Employment Board tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy C.S. Alves of St. Helier Central –

"Further to Oral Question 92/2023, will the Chair state the total number of contracts the Government has with third parties where the requirement to pay the living wage is not included; will she indicate the areas to which these contracts relate; and will she advise when these contracts are due for renewal?"

18. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy C.S. Alves of St. Helier Central –

"In relation to personal income tax returns, will the Minister state, for the last 3 years –

- (a) the number of people claiming mortgage interest tax relief;
- (b) the number of people declaring income from renting a room in their home; and
- (c) the total income raised by those declaring income from renting a room in their homes?"
- 19. The Chief Minister tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to the following question asked by the Connétable of St. Mary –

"Will the Chief Minister provide the annual budget, and the actual expenditure broken down into staff and ancillary costs, for the Data Protection Tribunal; and, where Tribunal members are voluntary, will she also provide an estimate of unpaid time worked by such members?"

20. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to the following question asked by the Connétable of St. Mary –

"Will the Minister provide the annual budget, and the actual expenditure broken down into staff and ancillary costs, for the Mental Health Review Tribunal; and where Tribunal members are voluntary, will she also provide an estimate of unpaid time worked by them?"

21. The Minister for Social Security tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to the following question asked by the Connétable of St. Mary –

"Will the Minister provide the annual budget, and the actual expenditure broken down into staff and ancillary costs, for each of the following tribunals –

- (a) Social Security Tribunal;
- (b) Social Security Medical Tribunal;
- (c) Income Support Medical Appeal Tribunal; and
- (d) Health and Safety Appeal Tribunal;

and, where Tribunal members are voluntary, will she also provide an estimate of unpaid time worked for each Tribunal?"



22. The Minister for Social Security tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade –

"With regard to the free period products scheme, will the Minister advise whether consideration has been given, or is to be given, to targeting distribution by either –

- (a) offering support to those with identified period poverty rather than supplying products in schools and public toilets; or
- (b) the provision of vouchers for the purchase of period products, or tokens providing access to dispensing machines in public toilets, to those with identified period poverty?"
- 23. The Chief Minister tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade –

"Will the Chief Minister explain the delay in the introduction of a Public Services Ombudsperson, in accordance with the Council of Ministers 100-Day Plan; and will she advise what progress, if any, is being made in developing this matter and when the States Assembly should expect to debate the relevant draft legislation?"

24. The Chief Minister tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade –

"Will the Chief Minister explain what powers, if any, are likely to be introduced to support the role of the Public Services Ombudsperson in holding public service departments to account, such as a duty on departments to provide written reasons for administrative decisions?"

25. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy L.V. Feltham of St. Helier Central –

"Will the Minister advise how many 'letters of comfort' he has issued to accountable officers during this term of office, stating the purpose of each letter, the Government project or programme to which it related, and the sum of funding involved?"

26. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 20th November 2023 to the following question asked by Deputy L.V. Feltham of St. Helier Central –

"Will the Minister provide details of any risk assessments that his department has undertaken in relation to the Regulatory Technology (Reg Tech) Super Deduction detailed within the Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027, and further detail how he reached his own assessment in Oral Question 213/2023 that there is no risk that international companies will channel Reg Tech Funding via Jersey to avoid paying tax?"



# 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 –

Debate	Main Respondent(s)
Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202 (P.40/2023).	Chair of the Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel
Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202 (P.40/2023): eleventh amendment. (P.40/2023 Amd.(11)).	Chair of the Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel
Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202- (P.40/2023): eleventh amendment (P.40/2023 Amd.(11)) – amendment. (P.40/2023 Amd.(11). Amd.).	Minister for the Environment
Draft Public Health and Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations 202- (P.40/2023): eleventh amendment (P.40/2023 Amd.(11)) – second amendment. (P.40/2023 Amd.(11). Amd.(2)).	Minister for the Environment
Reform of the composition of the States Assembly. (P.76/2023).	Chair of the Privileges and Procedures Committee
Reform of the composition of the States Assembly (P.76/2023): amendment. (P.76/2023 Amd.)	Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade
Draft Financial Services (Disclosure and Provision of Information) (Amendment) (Jersey) Regulations 202 (P.79/2023).	Chair of the Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel
Draft Limited Partnerships (Annual Addition Charge) (Amendment) (Jersey) Regulations 202 (P.80/2023).	Chair of the Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel



Draft Children (Convention Rights) (Commencement) (Jersey) Act 202 (P.81/2023).	Chair of the Children, Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel
Planning and Building (Conservation Areas) (Jersey) Regulations 202 (P.83/2023).	Chair of the Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel
Draft Christmas Bonus (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Jersey) Regulations 202 (P.84/2023).	Chair of the Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel
Minimum Residential Space Standards. (P.87/2023 (re-issue)).	Minister for the Environment
Draft Planning and Building (Amendment No. 8) (Repeal) (Jersey) Law 202 (P.90/2023).	Minister for the Environment



# ORAL QUESTIONS TO MINISTERS WITHOUT NOTICE

(See Item I(c))

# **Questions without notice 2023**

**12th December** Children and Education

Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and

Chief Minister

Culture