

STATES OF JERSEY ORDER PAPER

6th FEBRUARY 2024

SUMMARY

9.30 a.m.

Communications by the Presiding Officer and other announcements

Appointments, matters of privilege, petitions

- (i) Appointment of the Chair of the Public Accounts Committee.
- (ii) Appointment of the Chairs of the Scrutiny Panels.
 - (a) Corporate Services
 - (b) Environment, Housing and Infrastructure
 - (c) Health and Social Security

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 Health and Social Services
- Minister for Housing and Communities
- Chief Minister

Statements (if any)

Approx. 2.15 p.m.

Draft Crime (Public Order) (Jersey) Law 202-. (P.97/2023 (re-issue)).

Requirement for Seconder at Time of Lodging a Proposition. (P.102/2023).

Draft Wills and Succession (Amendment No. 3 – Collateral Succession of Immovable Estate) (Jersey) Law 202-. (P.105/2023).

The Seaside Café site at Grève de Lecq – acquisition by the public and transfer to the National Trust for Jersey. (P.5/2024).

The Seaside Café site at Grève De Lecq – acquisition by the public and transfer to the National Trust for Jersey (P.5/2024) – amendment. (P.5/2024 Amd.)

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 7th, Thursday 8th and Friday 9th February 2024 if necessary.



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A. COMMUNICATIONS BY THE PRESIDING OFFICER

B. TABLING OF SUBORDINATE ENACTMENTS

C. DOCUMENTS PRESENTED

Requirement for Seconder at Time of Lodging a Proposition (P.102/2023) – comments. Presented: 29th January 2024, <i>Privileges and Procedures Committee</i> .	P.102/2023. Com.
The Seaside Café site at Grève De Lecq - acquisition by the public and transfer to the National Trust for Jersey (P.5/2024): amendment (P.5/2024 Amd.) – Children's Rights Impact Assessment. Presented: 29th January 2024, <i>Deputy L.K.F. Stephenson of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter</i>	P.5/2024. Amd.Add.
Ceasefire In Gaza (P.7/2024) – Children's Rights Impact Assessment. Lodged: 29th January 2024, <i>Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade</i> .	P.7/2024. Add.
Jersey Audit Office Strategy 2024-27. Presented: 26th January 2024, <i>Comptroller and Auditor General</i> .	R.9/2024.
Comptroller and Auditor General Audit Plan 2024 to 2027. Presented: 26th January 2024, <i>Comptroller and Auditor General</i> .	R.10/2024.
Pan-Island Commissioner for standards: Annual Report 2023. Presented: 29th January 2024, <i>Privileges and Procedures Committee</i> .	R.11/2024.
States of Jersey Law 2005: Delegation of Functions – Minister for Children and Education – Appointment of Assistant Minister.	R.12/2024.

D. NOTIFICATION OF LODGED PROPOSITIONS

Presented: 1st February 2024, Minister for Children and Education.

The Seaside Café site at Grève De Lecq – acquisition by the public and transfer

to the National Trust for Jersey (P.5/2024) – amendment. Lodged: 29th January 2024, <i>Deputy L.K.F. Stephenson of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter</i>	Amd.
Ceasefire In Gaza	P 7/2024

P.5/2024.

Ceasefire In Gaza.

P.7/2024.

Lodged: 29th January 2024, *Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade*.

(re-issue).



E. WITHDRAWAL OF LODGED PROPOSITIONS

F. APPOINTMENT OF MINISTERS, COMMITTEES AND PANELS

- (i) Appointment of the Chair of the Public Accounts Committee.
- (ii) Appointment of the Chairs of the Scrutiny Panels
 - (a) Corporate Services
 - (b) Environment, Housing and Infrastructure
 - (c) Health and Social Security

G. MATTERS OF PRIVILEGE

H. PETITIONS

I. QUESTIONS

(a) - Written Questions

(see attached)

- WQ.1/2024
- 1. The Chief Minister tabled an answer on 22nd January 2024 to a question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North regarding Government expenditure on the new hospital / healthcare facilities programme.
- WQ.2/2024 2. The Chair of the States Employment Board tabled an answer on 22nd January 2024 to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade regarding training material on bullying provided to Government employees.
- WQ.3/2024 3. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 22nd January 2024 to a question asked by the Connétable of St. Brelade regarding grants or loans issued to Government arm's length organisations with a value of over £20,000.
- WQ.4/2024 4. The Chief Minister tabled an answer on 29th January 2024 to a question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North regarding the current number of employees and vacancies within the Cabinet Office.
- WQ.5/2024 5. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer on 29th January 2024 to a question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North regarding locum and agency staff in the Health and Community Services Department.
- WQ.6/2024 6. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 29th January 2024 to a question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North regarding revenue expenditure overspend or underspend in 2023.



(b) – Oral Questions

(2 hours 20 minutes)

OQ.12/2024

1. Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources –

"Will the Minister advise what consideration, if any, has been given to introducing a tax allowance or tax relief for lower income earners or students who self-fund their professional career development?"

OQ.14/2024

2. Deputy D.J. Warr of St. Helier South will ask the following question of the Minister for Housing and Communities –

"Will the Minister commit to widening access to social housing and reducing the age of eligibility for persons without children, from 40 to 25, by implementing the timelines included in the Roadmap for improving access to social housing in Jersey, published in July 2023?"

OQ.24/2024

3. Deputy M.R. Ferey of St. Saviour will ask the following question of the Minister for Social Security –

"Will the Minister commit to progressing the introduction of the Jersey Pension Saver – Secondary Pension Scheme; and bring forward the necessary legislation to enable such a scheme within this political term, and if not, why not?"

OQ.22/2024

4. Deputy H.L. Jeune of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity will ask the following question of the Minister for Social Security –

"Will the Minister advise what demonstrable outcomes have been identified from the free period products scheme, and will she confirm what future plans, if any, she has for expanding the scheme?"

OO.18/2024

5. Deputy I. Gardiner of St. Helier North will ask the following question of the Minister for Health and Social Services –

"Given the UK's decision to ban disposable vapes to protect children and young people's health, will the Minister advise what consideration, if any, is being given to a similar ban in Jersey; and will he explain his current position regarding disposable vapes?"

OQ.20/2024

6. Deputy L.M.C. Doublet of St. Saviour will ask the following question of the Minister for Social Security –

"Given the Assembly's adoption of P.54/2019 (as amended), will the Minister detail her plans to complete the review into family friendly elements of the Employment (Jersey) Law 2003, and how she intends to ensure the inclusion of a wide range of contributors?"

OQ.26/2024

7. Deputy K.M. Wilson of St. Clement will ask the following question of the Minister for Health and Social Services –

"Will the Minister advise what consideration he is giving, if any, to an evidence-based approach to developing healthcare in the Island and outline the areas where he would consider applying this approach?"



OQ.16/2024 8. Deputy J. Renouf of St. Brelade will ask the following question of the Minister for Health and Social Services –

"Will the Minister confirm whether he supports the proposed legislative timetable that, if approved, would bring hospital services under the regulatory control of the Jersey Care Commission by the start of 2025, with the hospital subject to inspection by the JCC later in 2025, and if not, why not?"

OQ.27/2024 9. Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier Central will ask the following question of the Chief Minister –

"Following the adoption of P.78/2022 and the response to Written Question 49/2023, will the Chief Minister agree to undertake a review of options to convert the Minimum Wage to a Living Wage by December 2024, ensuring that such a review takes into account the impact of rental levels on relative low incomes, and if not, why not?"

OQ.28/2024 10. Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier Central will ask the following question to the Minister for Housing and Communities –

"Will the Minister advise the long-term plans, if any, for Les Cinq Chênes estate and existing occupiers; and explain why rental tenants are expected to tolerate substandard damp conditions, when houses earmarked for sale are being renovated?"

OQ.25/2024 11. Deputy M.R. Ferey of St. Saviour will ask the following question of the Minister for Housing and Communities –

"Will the Minster provide details of the "quick wins" he referred to during his Ministerial nomination speech in relation to the functioning of the tenancy deposit protection scheme?"

OQ.19/2024 12. Deputy I. Gardiner of St. Helier North will ask the following question of the Minister for Children and Education –

"Regarding the CYPES publication *Further Education and Skills Actionable Agenda*, published in December 2022, will the Minister explain his plan for implementing the Technical Education action to raise the participation age to 18, with a corresponding entitlement and requirement for all young people to be in full-time education, or employment with training?"

OQ.23/2024 13. Deputy H.L. Jeune of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity will ask the following question of the Minister for Justice and Home Affairs –

"Will the Minister advise whether she intends to ask Island Energy to explain their announcement of price increases of 12%, resulting in average households paying £13.80 more per month, at the same time as announcing that they will provide £11.56 compensation for customers affected by the gas outage that left some Islanders without hot water and cooking facilities for many weeks last year, and if not, why not?"

OQ.17/2024 14. Deputy J. Renouf of St. Brelade will ask the following question of the Minister for Housing and Communities –

"Will the Minister explain what steps he will take, if any, to ensure that plans brought forward by Andium Homes for the redevelopment of the St. Saviour's Hospital site, will respect and protect the heritage value of the Grade 1 listed building?"



OQ.15/2024 15. Deputy D.J. Warr of St. Helier South will ask the following question of the Minister for Housing and Communities –

"Will the Minister commit to launching the Government's First Step first-time buyers home ownership shared equity scheme by the end of March 2024?"

OQ.13/2024 16. Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North will ask the following question of the Chief Minister –

"Will the Chief Minister advise whether he will now be abandoning calls for an analysis of the costs associated with the Overdale hospital site versus the new multi-site healthcare facilities, despite expressing his concerns regarding the cost of the multi-site healthcare facilities since his re-election in 2022?"

OQ.21/2024 17. Deputy L.M.C. Doublet of St. Saviour will ask the following question of the Minister for Children and Education –

"Will the Minister advise what plans he has, if any, for progressing the same-sex parental rights legislation, which will update the Children (Jersey) Law 2002, the Marriage and Civil Status (Jersey) Law 2001 and associated consequential amendments, and what priority he will be giving this work?"

(c) – Questions to Ministers without notice

(45 minutes)

1st question period – Minister for Health and Social Services

2nd question period – Minister for Housing and Communities

3rd question period – Chief Minister

J. PERSONAL STATEMENTS

K. STATEMENTS ON A MATTER OF OFFICIAL RESPONSIBILITY

L. PUBLIC BUSINESS

Draft Crime (Public Order) (Jersey) Law 202-.Lodged: 22nd November 2023, *Minister for Justice and Home Affairs.*P.97/2023.

(re-issue).

Requirement for Seconder at Time of Lodging a Proposition.

P.102/2023.

Lodged: 14th December 2023, Deputy M.R. Ferey of St. Saviour.

Requirement for Seconder at Time of Lodging a Proposition (P.102/2023) – Child Rights Impact Assessment. P.102/2023. Add.

Lodged: 14th December 2023, Deputy M.R. Ferey of St. Saviour.

Requirement for Seconder at Time of Lodging a Proposition (P.102/2023) – P.102/2023. comments.

Presented: 29th January 2024, Privileges and Procedures Committee.

Draft Wills and Succession (Amendment No. 3 – Collateral Succession of P.105/2023. **Immovable Estate) (Jersey) Law 202-.**

Lodged: 22nd December 2023, Chief Minister



The Seaside Café site at Grève de Lecq – acquisition by the public and transfer to the National Trust for Jersey. Lodged: 15th January 2024, Deputy L.J. Farnham of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter.	P.5/2024.
The Seaside Café site at Grève de Lecq – acquisition by the public and transfer to the National Trust for Jersey (P.5/2024): Children's rights impact assessment. Presented: 15th January 2024, <i>Deputy L.J. Farnham of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter</i> .	P.5/2024. Add.
The Seaside Café site at Grève De Lecq – acquisition by the public and transfer to the National Trust for Jersey (P.5/2024) – amendment. Lodged: 29th January 2024, Deputy L.K.F. Stephenson of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter	P.5/2024. Amd.
The Seaside Café site at Grève De Lecq – acquisition by the public and transfer to the National Trust for Jersey (P.5/2024): amendment (P.5/2024 Amd.) – Children's Rights Impact Assessment. Presented: 29th January 2024, <i>Deputy L.K.F. Stephenson of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter</i>	P.5/2024. Amd.Add.
ARRANGEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS	
27th February 2024	
Draft Children and Young People (Jersey) Commencement Act 202 Lodged: 12th January 2024, <i>Minister for Children and Education</i> .	P.2/2024.
Jersey Overseas Aid: re-appointment of a Commissioner. Lodged: 12th January 2024, <i>Minister for International Development</i> .	P.4/2024.
Draft Income Tax (Amendment – Stage 2 of Independent Taxation) (Jersey) Law 202 Lodged: 16th January 2024, <i>Minister for Treasury and Resources</i> .	P.6/2024.
Draft Income Tax (Amendment – Stage 2 of Independent Taxation) (Jersey) Law 202- (P.6/2024): Children's Rights Impact Assessment. Presented: 16th January 2024, <i>Minister for Treasury and Resources</i> .	P.6/2024. Add.
Ceasefire In Gaza. Lodged: 29th January 2024, Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade.	P.7/2024. (re-issue).
Ceasefire In Gaza (P.7/2024) – Children's Rights Impact Assessment. Lodged: 29th January 2024, <i>Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade</i> .	P.7/2024. Add.
10th March 2024	

M.

19th March 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.
Offshore Wind. Lodged: 17th October 2023. Council of Ministers	P.82/2023.



Scrutiny Panel constitution: Minimum size.

P.94/2023.

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

Appointment of Non-Executive Directors and new Chair to the States of Jersey Development Company.

Lodged: 10th November 2023, Minister for Treasury and Resources.

(re-issue).

P.95/2023.

Protection of Trees. P.98/2023.

Lodged: 27th November 2023, Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade.

Draft Children and Civil Status (Amendments) (Jersey) Law 202-. P.104/2023.

Lodged: 21st December 2023, Minister for Children and Education.

L.-M. HART Greffier of the States

1st February 2024

Note -

In accordance with the meeting dates fixed for 2024 by the Privileges and Procedures Committee, this meeting will continue, if necessary, on Wednesday 7th, Thursday 8th and Friday 9th February 2024.



(See Item I(a))

- 1. The Chief Minister tabled an answer on 22nd January 2024 to the following question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North
 - "Will the Chief Minister state the amount of Government expenditure per annum since 2012 on the new hospital / healthcare facilities programme, as well as the amount of expenditure each year during the same period on consultancy for the hospital site selection process?"
- 2. The Chair of the States Employment Board tabled an answer on 22nd January 2024 to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade
 - "Will the Chair provide details of any training material on bullying provided to Government employees; and further provide details of the frequency of delivery and the attendance requirements regarding such training?"
- 3. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 22nd January 2024 to the following question asked by the Connétable of St. Brelade
 - "Will the Minister provide a breakdown of any grants or loans issued to Government arm's length organisations with a value of over £20,000 in the last year, together with their repayment schedules?"
- 4. The Chief Minister tabled an answer on 29th January 2024 to the following question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North
 - "Will the Chief Minister state the current number of employees and vacancies within the Cabinet Office?"
- 5. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer on 29th January 2024 to the following question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North
 - "Will the Minister state the total cost of locum and agency staff to the Health and Community Services Department in 2023?"
- 6. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer on 29th January 2024 to the following question asked by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North
 - "Will the Minister provide a breakdown by Ministerial department of any revenue expenditure overspend or underspend in 2023?"



Note regarding the appointment processes

(See Item F)

Appointment of the Chair of the Public Accounts Committee

The Presiding Officer will invite nominations for the position of Chair of the Public Accounts Committee. Ministers and Assistant Ministers are not eligible for appointment to this position. Each nomination must be seconded. If there is only one nomination, the member nominated will speak for up to 10 minutes followed by a 20-minute question period; after which the member will be selected for appointment. If there is more than one nomination, each candidate will speak for up to 10 minutes with a 20 minute question period. The candidates will speak and be questioned in the order in which they have been nominated. Other candidates must withdraw from the Chamber during the speeches and question period.

Following the speeches and question periods, a recorded vote will be held until one candidate receives an overall majority of the votes cast. The electronic voting system will be used in any instance where there are no more than two candidates; an open ballot will take place in instances where there are more than two candidates.

Appointment of the Chairs of the Scrutiny Panels

Ministers and Assistant Ministers are not eligible for appointment to these positions. The appointments will be made in the order set out on the Order Paper for the Scrutiny Panels. For each Panel, the relevant Ministers are prevented from either nominating candidates or taking part in the final vote. The corresponding Ministers for each Panel (who will be so affected) are as follows:

Corporate Services	Chief Minister	
•	Minister for Treasury and Resources	
Economic and International Affairs	Chief Minister	
	Minister for External Relations	
	Minister for International Development	
	Minister for Sustainable Economic	
	Development	
Children, Education and Home Affairs	Minister for Children and Education	
	Minister for Justice and Home Affairs	
Environment, Housing and	Minister for the Environment	
Infrastructure	Minister for Housing and Communities	
	Minister for Infrastructure	
Health and Social Security	Minister for Health and Social Services	
	Minister for Social Security	

All Ministers are nevertheless able to take part in the questioning of each candidate. The procedure for the appointment of each Panel Chair is otherwise identical to the procedure set out above for the Chair of the Public Accounts Committee.



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 Crime (Public Order) (Jersey) Law 202 (P.97/2023 (re-issue)).	Chair of the Children, Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel
Requirement for Seconder at Time of Lodging a Proposition. (P.102/2023).	Chair of the Privileges and Procedures Committee
Draft Wills and Succession (Amendment No. 3 – Collateral Succession of Immovable Estate) (Jersey) Law 202 (P.105/2023).	Chair of the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel
The Seaside Café site at Grève de Lecq – acquisition by the public and transfer to the National Trust for Jersey. (P.5/2024).	 Minister for the Environment Minister for Infrastructure
The Seaside Café site at Grève De Lecq – acquisition by the public and transfer to the National Trust for Jersey (P.5/2024) – amendment. (P.5/2024 Amd.)	Deputy L.J. Farnham of St. Ouen, St. Mary and St. Peter



ORAL QUESTIONS TO MINISTERS WITHOUT NOTICE

(See Item I(c))

Questions without notice 2024

1st Session 2024	-		
27th February	Justice and Home Affairs	International Development	Chief Minister
19th March	Infrastructure	Social Security	Chief Minister
16th April	Sustainable Economic Development	Treasury and Resources	Chief Minister
21st May	Children and Education	Environment	Chief Minister
11th June	External Relations	Health and Social Services	Chief Minister
25th June	Housing and Communities	Infrastructure	
16th July	International Development	Justice and Home Affairs	Chief Minister
2nd Session 2024			
10th September	Social Security	Sustainable Economic Development	Chief Minister
1st October	Treasury and Resources	Children and Education	Chief Minister
22nd October	Environment	External Relations	Chief Minister
12th November	Health and Social Services	Housing and Communities	Chief Minister
26th November	Infrastructure	International Development	Chief Minister
10th December	Justice and Home Affairs	Social Security	Chief Minister