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DRAFT ANNUAL BUSINESS PLAN 2010 (P.117/2009): TWELFTH AMENDMENT (P.117/2009 Amd.(12)) – COMMENTS

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The Minister for Education Sport and Culture has requested that the D'Hautrée Site, St. Saviour's Hill be removed from the schedule for disposal set out in the Table J of the business plan.

The Council of Ministers accepts this amendment on the firm undertaking given by the Minister for Education Sport and Culture to conduct a comprehensive review of all of the department's current and future accommodation needs. The objectives of this review are to assess all operational requirements in the context of the pressing need to deliver significant efficiencies in asset utilization by releasing properties for disposal. This review will be conducted in phases with the initial findings to be presented to the Council of Ministers in April 2010 to ensure that the needs are assessed such that properties for disposal may be properly incorporated in the 2011 Business Plan.

Financial impact

The States capital programme for 2010-2014 is funded to the extent of £20 million over 5 years through receipts from the disposal of land and properties that have no operational use, or, where an existing use can be displaced, have a higher alternative use value. Table J proposes properties for 2010 which will be disposed to contribute to the £20 million funding requirement over the next 5 years.

It is important that the review is undertaken in a timely way, since if properties are not identified for disposal it will reduce significantly the capital receipts generated and therefore the funding available to deliver the proposed capital programme for 2010-2014.