STATES OF JERSEY



DRAFT ANNUAL BUSINESS PLAN 2010 (P.117/2009): EIGHTEENTH AMENDMENT (P.117/2009 Amd.(18)) – COMMENTS

Presented to the States on 21st September 2009 by the Council of Ministers

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COMMENTS

The Council of Ministers opposes this amendment.

Deputy Tadier proposes an amendment to remove "Land adjoining 108/109" from the schedule of properties for disposal in 2010 and thereafter.

The Business Plan contains a typographical error as identified in the amendment. The location plan is correct, but the two adjoining houses are 107 and 108 Clos des Sables and not 108 and 109 as stated in the report.

Any prospective purchaser would need to seek planning approval to change the use of the land before a sale could be effected. The planning process is the appropriate mechanism for the Deputy, or any other interested party, to raise objections to the proposed use, irrespective of the ownership of the site.

The land has no operational value to the States, hence it is proposed for disposal in the Business Plan. This will generate a small financial return and remove a current maintenance liability. This is consistent with the aim of reducing such maintenance liabilities and JPH intends to continue to dispose of similar sites in the future.

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.

This amendment would reduce the capital receipts generated from the proposed disposals and therefore the funding available to deliver the proposed capital programme for 2010-2014.

The consequence of this amendment may be to require projects within the proposed capital programme to be reduced, reprioritised or removed as appropriate.