STATES OF JERSEY



DRAFT ANNUAL BUSINESS PLAN 2011 (P.99/2010): TWELFTH AMENDMENT (P.99/2010 Amd.(12)) – COMMENTS

Presented to the States on 10th September 2010 by the Council of Ministers

STATES GREFFE

COMMENTS

The Council of Ministers opposes this amendment.

Deputy T.M. Pitman of St. Helier proposes that –

the net revenue expenditure of the Education Sport and Culture Department shall be increased by £50,000 to maintain the overall budget of the Youth Service, not withstanding Comprehensive Spending Review ESC-S7 Youth Service senior management restructure.

Comment

The opportunity to restructure the management of the Youth Service has been facilitated by an application for redundancy from the Principal Youth Officer. The restructure will not impact on the delivery of frontline services and the current structure has successfully moved the Youth Service forward in recent years by ensuring that appropriate policies and procedures are in place to deliver a high quality service to young people.

The delivery of the service has also been significantly enhanced by partnership arrangements with the Parishes. Whilst the department agrees that extra resource would benefit the areas mentioned in the amendment, it is confident that progress is being made within the existing resource and that it is not the highest priority at this time.

Financial implications

The financial impact of the amendment on the Consolidated Fund would be to increase the withdrawal by £50,000 in 2011 only, which would therefore increase the deficit by a further £50,000.