## **STATES OF JERSEY**



## DRAFT ROAD TRAFFIC (NO. 65) (JERSEY) REGULATIONS 202- (P.6/2021): COMMENTS

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## **COMMENTS**

- 1. The Comité has received a presentation from Driver and Vehicle Standards (DVS) officers on this draft legislation relating to changes to medical conditions and the grant of a driving licence.
- 2. The Comité welcomes the changes, in particular:
  - a. the use of "medical condition" to replace 'disability' and 'diseases'
  - b. the current options of a practical driving assessment or a medical examination, depending on the circumstances, will apply in future to all "medical conditions"
  - c. the ability to impose appropriate conditions on a driving licence including further examinations or assessments during the life of the licence and limiting the period of time a licence remains in force.
- 3. The Comité understands there will be a minimum of 6 months before the changes come into force and this will enable processes and the Driving Licensing system (LICAR) to be updated by the Parishes working in conjunction with DVS.
- 4. A preliminary figure of £25,000 has been provided for the cost of system changes and the Comité has agreed this should be budgeted in the Parishes' next financial year (1 May 2021 30 April 2022).
- 5. The 'Financial and manpower implications' recognise there will be financial costs arising from the necessary amendments to the LICAR and anticipate that these costs will be covered by the usual income received from the issuing of licences but may require review of the current rates.
- 6. The cost of a driving licence is currently £50 for a 10-year licence. It was last increased on 1 May 2017 and will be reviewed next in 2022. Income from driving licences is applied to cover the driving licence system costs and materials and it also contributes to the maintenance and upkeep of the by-roads.