



STATES OF JERSEY ORDER PAPER

14th MARCH 2017

SUMMARY

- 9.30 a.m. Welcome to His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor
- The Bailiff and the Chairman of the Privileges and Procedures Committee will welcome His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, Air Chief Marshal Sir Stephen Dalton, G.C.B., LL.D. (Hon.), D.Sc. (Hon.), B.Sc., F.R.Ae.S., C.C.M.I., to his first meeting of the Assembly and His Excellency will reply.
- Note: Following His Excellency's reply the Assembly will adjourn and subsequently reconvene at 11.00 a.m. to continue consideration of the business scheduled for the meeting.*
- 11.00 a.m. Communications by the Presiding Officer and other announcements
- Appointments, matters of privilege, petitions (if any)*
- Approx. 11.10 a.m. Summary of written questions
- Up to 2 hours Oral questions with notice
- Urgent questions (if any)*
- Up to 30 minutes, divided between the two Ministers Oral questions without notice:
- Minister for Home Affairs
 - Chief Minister
- Statements (if any)*
- Approx. 3.00 p.m. **Television Licence Fee: exemption for Jersey residents aged 75 and over (P.117/2016)**
- Television Licence Fee: exemption for Jersey residents aged 75 and over (P.117/2016) – amendment (P.117/2016 Amd.)**
- Funding for Family Nursing and Home Care services – petition (P.122/2016)**
- Draft Criminal Justice (Compensation Orders) (Amendment No. 3) (Jersey) Law 201- (P.2/2017)**
- Draft Water Pollution (Amendment No. 3) (Jersey) Law 201- (P.3/2017)**
- Draft Income Support (Amendment No. 2) (Jersey) Law 201- (P.5/2017)**
- States of Jersey Complaints Panel: re-appointment of members (P.8/2017)**
- Concessionary busfares for the disabled: costs to be met by the States (P.9/2017)**



Electoral Reform (P.10/2017)

Electoral Reform (P.10/2017): amendment (P.10/2017 Amd.)

Arrangement of public business at subsequent sittings

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 15th and Thursday 16th March 2017 if necessary.



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WELCOME TO HIS EXCELLENCY THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

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His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, Air Chief Marshal Sir Stephen Dalton, G.C.B., LL.D. (Hon.), D.Sc. (Hon.), B.Sc., F.R.Ae.S., C.C.M.I., will reply.

Note: Following His Excellency's reply, the Assembly will adjourn and subsequently reconvene at 11.00 a.m. to continue consideration of the business scheduled for the meeting.

A. COMMUNICATIONS BY THE PRESIDING OFFICER

B. TABLING OF SUBORDINATE ENACTMENTS

(Explanatory note attached)

Taxation (Agreements with European Union Member States) (Suspension and Termination of Agreement with Austria) (Jersey) Order 2017. R&O.23/2017.
Minister for External Relations.

Road Traffic (St. Mary) (Amendment No. 2) (Jersey) Order 2017. R&O.26/2017.
Minister for Infrastructure.

Companies (Transfers of Shares – Exemptions) (Amendment No. 3) (Jersey) Order 2017. R&O.27/2017.
Chief Minister.

Legal Tender (Coins) (Jersey) Order 2017. R&O.28/2017.
Minister for Treasury and Resources.

Police Procedures and Criminal Evidence (Codes of Practice) (Amendment No. 3) (Jersey) Order 2017. R&O.29/2017.
Minister for Home Affairs.

Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment No. 14) (Jersey) Order 2017. R&O.30/2017.
Minister for Infrastructure.

Long-Term Care Services (Health and Social Services Charges) (Amendment No. 3) (Jersey) Order 2017. R&O.31/2017.
Minister for Health and Social Services.

C. DOCUMENTS PRESENTED

Finance Law Delegation Report for the 6 month period ended 30th June 2016. R.22/2017.
Presented: 22nd February 2017, *Minister for Treasury and Resources.*

Land Transactions under Standing Order 168(3) – Howard Davis Park, Rose Garden Tea Room, St. Clement's Road, St. Saviour – lease. R.23/2017.
Presented: 28th February 2017, *Minister for Infrastructure.*



Review of the lettings market in Jersey: call for evidence. R.24/2017.
Presented: 2nd March 2017, *Minister for Housing*.

Jersey Advisory and Conciliation Service: appointment of Board member. R.25/2017.
Presented: 6th March 2017, *Minister for Social Security*.

Service Users of Home Care. S.R.1/2017.
Presented: 27th February 2017, *Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel*.

D. NOTIFICATION OF LODGED PROPOSITIONS

Television Licence Fee: exemption for Jersey residents aged 75 and over P.117/2016.
(P.117/2016) – amendment. Amd.
Lodged: 7th March 2017, *Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade*.

Electoral Reform (P.10/2017): amendment. P.10/2017.
Lodged: 27th February 2017, *Deputy J.M. Maçon of St. Saviour*. Amd.

Parish Rates: payment by the States of Jersey. P.12/2017.
Lodged: 21st February 2017, *Connétable of St. Helier*.

Draft Public Elections (Amendment of Law) (Jersey) Regulations 201-. P.13/2017.
Lodged: 21st February 2017, *Comité des Connétables*.

E-Petitions. P.14/2017.
Lodged: 1st March 2017, *Deputy S.M. Wickenden of St. Helier*.

Draft Public Finances (Amendment No. 5) (Jersey) Law 201-. P.15/2017.
Lodged: 7th March 2017, *Minister for Treasury and Resources*.

JT (Jersey) Limited: administrative charges. P.16/2017.
Lodged: 9th March 2017, *Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier*.

E. WITHDRAWAL OF LODGED PROPOSITIONS

F. APPOINTMENT OF MINISTERS, COMMITTEES AND PANELS

Nomination of Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade as a member of the Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel.

G. MATTERS OF PRIVILEGE

H. PETITIONS

I. QUESTIONS

(a) – **Written Questions**
(attached)

- ¹⁽¹⁴⁰⁾ 1. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to a question asked by the Deputy of Grouville regarding the desalination plant.



- 1(141) 2. The Minister for Education will table an answer to a question asked by the Deputy of St. John regarding a review of early years education.
- 1(142) 3. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to a question asked by the Deputy of Grouville regarding development of the former Jersey College for Girls building.
- 1(143) 4. The Minister for Education will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding turnover of primary school teaching staff.
- 1(144) 5. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the impact of rises in the Retail Prices Index on the disposable income of households reliant upon Income Support.
- 1(145) 6. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding applications by employers for additional staff with registered and licensed status.
- 1(146) 7. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy J.A. Hilton of St. Helier regarding the feeding of seagulls.
- 1(147) 8. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy J.A. Hilton of St. Helier regarding an independent audit of the Children's Service.
- 1(148) 9. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy J.A. Hilton of St. Helier regarding Long-Term Incapacity Allowance.
- 1(149) 10. The Minister for Infrastructure will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy J.A. Hilton of St. Helier regarding vacant residential property attached to Rouge Bouillon School.
- 1(150) 11. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier regarding legislation to allow for same-sex marriage.
- 1(151) 12. The Minister for Infrastructure will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier regarding gym facilities provided by the Department for its workers.
- 1(152) 13. The Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier regarding the Jersey Aircraft Registry.
- 1(153) 14. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier regarding the cost of subsidising G.P. visits.
- 1(154) 15. The Minister for Education will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier regarding expenditure on student grants.
- 1(155) 16. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding complaints made to him and his Department regarding actions of the Planning Department.
- 1(156) 17. H.M. Attorney General will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding the provision of records from the Department of Health and Social Services.
- 1(157) 18. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding waiting times for people needing to see a consultant.
- 1(158) 19. H.M. Attorney General will table an answer to a question asked by the Deputy of St. Ouen regarding the lawfulness of charges levied by telecommunications operators in Jersey.



- ¹⁽¹⁵⁹⁾ 20. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding the number of registration cards issued under the Control of Housing and Work (Jersey) Law 2012.
- ¹⁽¹⁶⁰⁾ 21. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding economic inequality in Jersey.
- ¹⁽¹⁶¹⁾ 22. The Minister for Education will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding secondary school teachers in Jersey.
- ¹⁽¹⁶²⁾ 23. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy J.A. Hilton of St. Helier regarding the cost of Income Support.

(b) – Oral Questions
(120 minutes)

- ¹⁽¹⁶³⁾ 1. Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade will ask the following question of the Minister for Social Security –
- “Will the Minister confirm that, as a result of her Department's policies since 2009, a family of three (a couple with one child) on Income Support is £45 per week worse off in real terms today than they were in 2009; and that the equivalent figure for a single-parent household is between £55 and £75?”
- ¹⁽¹³⁷⁾ 2. Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier will ask the following question of H.M. Attorney General –
- “Does H.M. Attorney General consider that he is the sole prosecuting authority in the Island and, if so, what arrangements are in place to supervise decisions to prosecute in the Magistrate’s Court taken by States Departments?”
- ¹⁽¹⁶⁴⁾ 3. Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Education –
- “Will the Minister explain the changes since 2009 in primary school teacher turnover rates and, over the last three years, in overall primary school staffing numbers?”
- ¹⁽¹³⁸⁾ 4. Deputy J.A. Martin of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Chairman of the Comité des Connétables –
- “What discussions, if any, has the Comité had about how elections for Deputies will be managed in the new districts agreed by the Assembly; and what plans, if any, have been put together as a result?”
- ¹⁽¹⁷¹⁾ 5. Deputy L.M.C. Doublet of St. Saviour will ask the following question of the Chief Minister –
- “What action, if any, has been taken towards putting in place policies in States of Jersey work places to assist breastfeeding mothers in their return to work, in accordance with the recommendations and guidelines from 2013 of the Breastfeeding Working Group?”
- ¹⁽¹⁷⁰⁾ 6. Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Housing –
- “Why has the Minister chosen to consult on banning letting agent fees when there is already evidence to suggest they are sometimes charged inappropriately, rather than simply banning them now and instead consulting on reforming other aspects of the letting market?”



- ¹⁽¹⁶⁶⁾ 7. The Connétable of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources –

Will the Minister advise whether Ports of Jersey have entered into any leases with Jersey Gas as part of the relocation of the Island's gas supply infrastructure from the north of St. Helier to the harbour area?

- ¹⁽¹⁶⁷⁾ 8. The Connétable of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for the Environment –

“Will the Minister advise whether it his Department’s policy to use brownfield sites for the provision of new homes in St. Helier, rather than building on amenity space; and, if so, will he agree to encourage the release of sites such as the Le Masurier land in Bath Street, the site of the former theatre in Royal Crescent and other similar sites for development?”

- ¹⁽¹³⁹⁾ 9. Deputy J.A. Martin of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources –

“Further to answers he provided at the last meeting, will the Minister, as the shareholder representative, explain how JT faces an operating loss of approximately £1.2 million each year on its subsidy for senior citizens?”

- ¹⁽¹⁶⁵⁾ 10. Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Health and Social Services –

“Will the Minister explain why, despite negotiations, he has not yet secured a more detailed service level agreement covering £6 million of block funding for Family Nursing and Home Care; and will he further advise what engagement, if any, he has had with that organisation’s management about using its staff this year to assist the transition to the delivery of home care under his new policy?”

- ¹⁽¹⁶⁹⁾ 11. Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade will ask the following question of the Chief Minister –

“Will the Chief Minister state whether, following the publication of the Comptroller and Auditor General’s report entitled ‘Jersey Innovation Fund’ (R.3/2017), Senator Farnham and / or Senator Maclean offered to resign as Ministers or whether he, as Chief Minister, asked them to resign?”

- ¹⁽¹⁷²⁾ 12. Deputy L.M.C. Doublet of St. Saviour will ask the following question of the Minister for Social Security –

“What updates, if any, has the Minister received from the Employment Forum regarding the progress of its consultation on family friendly legislation and policies?”

- ¹⁽¹⁶⁸⁾ 13. Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier will ask the following question of H.M. Attorney General –

“Will H.M. Attorney General advise members what actions, if any, would be taken against a States Department that brought criminal charges against Jersey residents in the Magistrate’s Court without his Department’s knowledge, consent or assistance?”

(c) – Questions to Ministers without notice (30 minutes) –

1st question period – Minister for Home Affairs

2nd question period – Chief Minister

J. PERSONAL STATEMENTS



K. STATEMENTS ON A MATTER OF OFFICIAL RESPONSIBILITY

L. PUBLIC BUSINESS

- Television Licence Fee: exemption for Jersey residents aged 75 and over.** P.117/2016.
Lodged: 4th November 2016, *Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade.*
- Television Licence Fee: exemption for Jersey residents aged 75 and over (P.117/2016) – amendment.** P.117/2016.
Lodged: 7th March 2017, *Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade.* Amd.
- Funding for Family Nursing and Home Care services – petition.** P.122/2016.
Lodged: 15th November 2016, *Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier.*
- Draft Criminal Justice (Compensation Orders) (Amendment No. 3) (Jersey) Law 201-.** P.2/2017.
Lodged: 10th January 2017, *Chief Minister.*
- Draft Water Pollution (Amendment No. 3) (Jersey) Law 201-.** P.3/2017.
Lodged: 24th January 2017, *Minister for the Environment.*
- Draft Income Support (Amendment No. 2) (Jersey) Law 201-.** P.5/2017.
Lodged: 31st January 2017, *Minister for Social Security.*
- States of Jersey Complaints Panel: re-appointment of members.** P.8/2017.
Lodged: 14th February 2017, *Privileges and Procedures Committee.*
- Concessionary busfares for the disabled: costs to be met by the States.** P.9/2017.
Lodged: 14th February 2017, *Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade.*
- Electoral Reform.** P.10/2017.
Lodged: 14th February 2017, *Senator L.J. Farnham.*
- Electoral Reform (P.10/2017): amendment.** P.10/2017.
Lodged: 27th February 2017, *Deputy J.M. Maçon of St. Saviour.* Amd.

M. ARRANGEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

28th March 2017

- Draft Referendum (Jersey) Law 201-.** P.4/2017.
Lodged: 31st January 2017, *Privileges and Procedures Committee.*
- Draft Employment of States of Jersey Employees (Amendment No. 8) (Jersey) Regulations 201-.** P.11/2017.
Lodged: 14th February 2017, *States Employment Board.*
- Parish Rates: payment by the States of Jersey.** P.12/2017.
Lodged: 21st February 2017, *Connétable of St. Helier.*

18th April 2017

- Future Hospital Funding Strategy (as amended)** P.130/2016.
Lodged: 30th November 2016, *Minister for Treasury and Resources.*



Draft Bank Depositors Compensation (Jersey) Law 201- P.135/2016.
Lodged: 20th December 2016, *Chief Minister*.

Draft Public Elections (Amendment of Law) (Jersey) Regulations 201- P.13/2017.
Lodged: 21st February 2017, *Comité des Connétables*.

Draft Public Finances (Amendment No. 5) (Jersey) Law 201- P.15/2017.
Lodged: 7th March 2017, *Minister for Treasury and Resources*.

JT (Jersey) Limited: administrative charges. P.16/2017.
Lodged: 9th March 2017, *Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier*.

2nd May 2017

Draft The Law Society of Jersey (Amendment No. 4) Law 201- P.136/2016.
Lodged: 20th December 2016, *Chief Minister*.

Note: The 2nd reading of the Draft Law will resume, following adoption of the principles on 14th February 2017 and the subsequent referral to the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel under Standing Order 72(1).

E-Petitions. P.14/2017.
Lodged: 1st March 2017, *Deputy S.M. Wickenden of St. Helier*.

20th June 2017

Millennium Town Park: additional open space and public parking. P.123/2016.
Lodged: 22nd November 2016, *Connétable of St. Helier*.

DR. M. EGAN
Greffier of the States

9th March 2017

Note –

In accordance with the meeting dates fixed for 2017 by the Privileges and Procedures Committee, this meeting will continue, if necessary, on Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th March 2017.



Explanatory Note regarding subordinate legislation tabled at this meeting.

(See Item B)

R&O.23/2017.

Taxation (Agreements with European Union Member States) (Suspension and Termination of Agreement with Austria) (Jersey) Order 2017.

The Government of Jersey was notified by a letter, dated 21st December 2016, from the Permanent Representative for Austria to the European Union (“Austrian Permanent Representative”) –

- (a) proposing the suspension of the agreement between Jersey and Austria (the “agreement” as defined in *Article 1* of this Order) as to the mutual exchange of information relating to the taxation of savings income in the form of interest payments (“tax information about savings income”), with effect from 1st January 2016 in relation to data for that year; and
- (b) proposing the termination of that agreement as at 31st December 2016 in accordance with the provisions of Council Directive (EU) 2015/2060 of 10 November 2015 (OJ L 301, 18.11.2015, p.1) repealing Directive 2003/48/EC on the taxation of savings income in the form of interest payments (OJ L 157, 26.6.2003, p.38).

Accordingly –

Article 2 of this Order suspends the operation of the Taxation (Agreements with European Union Member States) (Jersey) Regulations 2005 (the “Regulations”) to the extent that those Regulations implement so much of the agreement as is suspended in respect of the fulfilment of Jersey’s obligations in respect of the exchange of tax information about savings income arising in 2016.

Article 3 of this Order confirms that the agreement ceases to have effect as at 31st December 2016 and removes Austria from the list, in Schedule 1 to the Regulations, of Member States of the European Union with whom an agreement implemented by those Regulations has been entered into.

Article 4 of this Order provides that whilst the agreement with Austria is no longer effective, Jersey is still required to comply with its information exchange duties under the Regulations, for the purposes of that agreement in relation to tax years prior to 1st January 2016.

Article 5 of this Order gives its title and provides for it to come into force on making.

The *Schedule* to this Order sets out a copy of the Minister for External Relations’ letter to the Austrian Permanent Representative, dated 3rd January 2017, agreeing to the suspension and termination of the agreement.

The Order was made on 13th February 2017 and came into force on being made.

R&O.26/2017.

Road Traffic (St. Mary) (Amendment No. 2) (Jersey) Order 2017.

This Order limits parking to periods totalling 12 hours in any continuous period of 24 hours on 2 previously unrestricted sections of the east side of La Rue de la Rosière in St. Mary. It also extends the prohibition of waiting to another small section of that side of that road.

The Order was made on 27th February 2017 and came into force on 28th February 2017.



R&O.27/2017.

Companies (Transfers of Shares – Exemptions) (Amendment No. 3) (Jersey) Order 2017.

This Order amends the Companies (Transfers of Shares – Exemptions) (Jersey) Order 2014 to add as an approved stock exchange the Stock Exchange of Mauritius (in respect only of its market known as the “Official Market”).

The effect of this amendment is that any Jersey company listed on an approved stock exchange (which would include the Stock Exchange of Mauritius) would be exempt from the requirement of Article 42 of the Companies (Jersey) Law 1991, which requires an instrument of transfer of shares in writing to be delivered to the company in order for a transfer to be registered, and also the requirement of Article 50(1) of that Law to produce a certificate in respect of allotments or transfers of its shares within 2 months of the allotment or transfer, as the case may be. The exemption from Article 42 is provided for on the basis that a transfer of shares is made to or from an approved central securities depository (as defined in Article 1 of the Companies (Transfers of Shares – Exemptions) (Jersey) Order 2014) or by means of a computer system which has been approved by the competent authority that has also approved the central securities depository.

The Order was made on 28th February 2017 and came into force on 1st March 2017.

R&O.28/2017.

Legal Tender (Coins) (Jersey) Order 2017.

Article 2 of this Order specifies a new description of £1 coins for the purpose of such coins being legal tender in Jersey. *Article 3* calls in £1 coins issued in Jersey prior to 28th March 2017, with the effect that such coins will cease to be legal tender by 15th October 2017.

Article 1 is the interpretation provision and *Article 4* gives the title by which this Order may be cited and provides for it to come into force immediately upon being made.

The Order was made on 3rd March 2017 and came into force on the same date.

R&O.29/2017.

Police Procedures and Criminal Evidence (Codes of Practice) (Amendment No. 3) (Jersey) Order 2017.

This Order amends Code C in the Schedule to the Police Procedures and Criminal Evidence (Codes of Practice) (Jersey) Order 2004. Code C is the Code of Practice for the detention, treatment and questioning of persons by police officers.

In fulfilment of the publication requirements under Article 62 of the Police Procedures and Criminal Evidence (Jersey) Law 2003 (“2003 Law”), a notice was published on 31st January 2017 in the Gazette advising of the proposals to amend Code C and that a draft of this Order was available on request.

Article 1 is the interpretation provision.

Article 2 amends the interpretation provision and paragraph 2.1(e) in Code C, so as to remove references to certain police stations in Jersey which will cease to function once the Jersey Police Headquarters Building in La Route du Fort becomes operational on 8th March 2017.

Article 3 is a transitional provision which would enable the continued operation of Rouge Bouillon police station as a designated police station for the purposes of detaining arrested persons (*see* Article 33 of the 2003 Law) until noon on 8th March 2017.

Article 4 provides for the title of this Order and for it to come into force on 8th March 2017.

The Order was made on 7th March 2017 and came into force on 8th March 2017.



R&O.30/2017.

Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Amendment No. 14) (Jersey) Order 2017.

This Order amends the Motor Vehicles (Driving Licences) (Jersey) Order 2003 to remove the requirement for a photograph required to be furnished with an application for a licence to drive a motor vehicle to be in printed form only so that an application may be made electronically and specifies what the requirement is if the application is made electronically.

The Order was made on 7th March 2017 and comes into force on 14th March 2017.

R&O.31/2017.

Long-Term Care Services (Health and Social Services Charges) (Amendment No. 3) (Jersey) Order 2017.

This Order amends the Long-Term Care Services (Health and Social Services Charges) (Jersey) Order 2014 to increase the charges for the provision of long-term care services (as defined in Article 1 of the Long-Term Care (Health and Social Services Charges) (Jersey) Law 2014) in a care home or group home (as defined in Article 1 of the Long-Term Care Services (Health and Social Services Charges) (Jersey) Order 2014) in line with the 2.67% increase in the rates for the benefit in respect of the cost of long-term care from 1st April 2017. The charges were last increased on 1st January 2016. The Minister for Social Security was consulted with respect to the increase in the charges.

Article 2 sets out the title of this Order and provides for its commencement.

The Order was made on 8th March 2017 and comes into force on 1st April 2017.



WRITTEN QUESTIONS

(See Item I(a))

1. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to the following question asked by the Deputy of Grouville –

“Will the Minister, as the shareholder representative for Jersey Water, provide the following information in respect of the desalination plant?

- (a) The number of times the plant was run between August 2016 and February 2017 inclusive (broken down on a monthly basis);
 - (b) The quantity of water (in litres) pumped into the Island’s reservoirs during the same period (broken down on a monthly basis); and
 - (c) The cost of using the desalination plant during this same period (broken down on a monthly basis).”
2. The Minister for Education will table an answer to the following question asked by the Deputy of St. John –

“Further to testimony provided on 27th February 2017 to the Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel by the Jersey Early Years Association, will the Minister advise whether he has initiated a formal review of early years education and, if so, will he explain the reason for the review and provide details of who will undertake it, what the terms of reference will be and what time line will be followed?”

3. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to the following question asked by the Deputy of Grouville –

“Will the Minister, as shareholder representative, advise what requests, if any, have been made to the States of Jersey Development Company to respect Jersey's Occupation history and, in particular, to restore the two red crosses on the front of the former Jersey College for Girls building?”

4. The Minister for Education will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

“Further to the information published on 26th January 2017 under the heading ‘Primary school teaching staff turnover 2009 to 2016’ in response to a Freedom of Information request, will the Minister:

- (a) provide a breakdown of the grand totals given in this information into support staff, teaching assistants and teachers (in both absolute and percentage terms);
- (b) provide headcount and turnover figures for 2016, if available, expressed in a similar format;
- (c) provide a comparison of the Island’s turnover rates with those in the U.K., if possible, and explain any differences found;
- (d) explain why, despite increasing primary school rolls during the period covered by the published information, the staffing headcount has reduced over the last 3 years; and
- (e) produce a comprehensive list, ranked by percentage, of the reasons staff give for leaving the employment of States of Jersey primary schools?”



5. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

“Given the rise in the Retail Prices Index of approximately 16.8% over the 7-year period from September 2009 to September 2016 (using June 2000 as the base measurement), will the Minister inform members of the extent that the disposable income of the following household types, where reliant on Income Support, has been reduced by the decision to freeze components, and by the additional changes made to Income Support components / disregards to achieve £10 million of savings from 2015?

- (a) single adult;
- (b) lone parent with one child;
- (c) couple with one child;
- (d) single pensioner on full States of Jersey pension; and
- (e) single person on 100% Long-Term Incapacity Allowance.”

6. The Chief Minister will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

“For the period from October 2015 to September 2016, will the Chief Minister provide:

- (a) the total number of applications for additional staffing made by employers under the standard classification codes for registered (i.e. permanent, seasonal and contract) and licensed positions;
- (b) numbers (in both absolute and percentage terms) to show which of such applications were granted, refused and removed, broken down by economic sector; and
- (c) numbers for total employment in each such sector?”

7. The Chief Minister will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy J.A. Hilton of St. Helier –

“Will the Chief Minister inform members when he will make the necessary arrangements to transfer responsibility for the Statutory Nuisances (Jersey) Law 1999, and other relevant legislation relating to food, from the Minister for Health and Social Services to that of the Environment in order that Regulations might be lodged to address the feeding of seagulls so that such an act would be seen either as prejudicial to health or as a nuisance and thereby constitute an offence?”

8. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy J.A. Hilton of St. Helier –

“Further to his answer during questions without notice on the 17th January 2017 to my question about an independent audit of the Children’s Service by the Scottish Inspection Board or a similar organisation, that the matter “*is in hand*”, will the Minister advise when this inspection will take place and who will conduct it?”



9. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy J.A. Hilton of St. Helier –

“In respect of Long-Term Incapacity Allowance, will the Minister advise:

- (a) how many claimants are currently in receipt of it;
- (b) how many claimants reside in countries other than Jersey;
- (c) what the yearly cost of the Allowance has been from 2011 until the present time;
- (d) of the payments made to claimants who live outside of Jersey, in which countries the claimants reside;
- (e) the yearly cost since 2011 of the Allowance paid to claimants residing outside of Jersey;
- (f) how many of the claimants residing outside of Jersey since 2011 have a percentage award which would warrant close supervision by the Department of Social Security if they resided in the Island; and
- (g) what measures, if any, the Department takes to ensure those claimants residing outside of Jersey are monitored in such a way as to reduce the possibility of fraud taking place?”

10. The Minister for Infrastructure will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy J.A. Hilton of St. Helier –

“Further to previous occasions on which I have asked about the vacant residential property attached to Rouge Bouillon School, and given the shortage of housing in the Island, what does the Minister intend to do about this matter to ensure that the property is let and does not fall into disrepair through neglect?”

11. The Chief Minister will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier –

“Will the Chief Minister provide an update on the proposed timeline to introduce legislation to allow for same-sex marriage?”

12. The Minister for Infrastructure will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier –

“Will the Minister provide the details of any gym facilities his Department provides for its workers, including the date on which they were set up and their cost?”

13. The Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier –

“Will the Minister provide a breakdown of the total cost so far incurred in setting up and managing the Jersey Aircraft Registry, as well as the number of aircraft which have so far been registered?”

14. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier –

“Will the Minister provide the details of how much has been spent on the public subsidy of G.P. visits in each year for the last three years; and will the Minister further provide estimates of how much it would cost to fully subsidise G.P. visits?”



15. The Minister for Education will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier –

“Will the Minister provide a breakdown of how much has been spent on student grants to cover the partial costs of university tuition fees over the last three years; and will the Minister also indicate how far this was from the total cost of university tuition fees for Jersey students?”

16. The Chief Minister will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier –

“Will the Chief Minister advise how many complaints, if any, have been made to him and to officers in his Department whilst he has been Chief Minister regarding alleged criminal acts by members of the Planning Department; will he also advise what actions, if any, either he personally or his officers have taken in response to any such complaints; and, if he has taken no personal action in response to any such complaint, will he explain why he has not done so?”

17. H.M. Attorney General will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier –

“Will H.M. Attorney General advise whether or not his Department has been involved in any recent refusal to provide records from the Department of Health and Social Services relating to a vulnerable person and that person’s children to the person’s Advocate; will he confirm whether or not all parties in any such case have given consent for those records to be released; and, if so, will he explain why there has been a refusal to release the records?”

18. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier –

“Further to the answer provided on 17th January 2017 to written question 1(24), will the Minister provide an update on the current waiting times facing people who need to see a consultant, across all medical specialties, and will he also explain the reasons for any exceptional waiting periods?”

19. H.M. Attorney General will table an answer to the following question asked by the Deputy of St. Ouen –

“Is it lawful for a telecommunications operator in Jersey to make a charge to a customer if that customer wishes to settle a bill by a payment of legal tender?”

20. The Chief Minister will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier –

“Will the Chief Minister advise members of the total number of people who have been issued with registration cards to date under the Control of Housing and Work (Jersey) Law 2012, since the Law came into effect, breaking down those numbers into first-time registrations and subsequent registrations, and providing the nationality and country of origin of those registered?”



21. The Chief Minister will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier –

“Will the Minister explain what measures of economic inequality the Council of Ministers uses and what those measures reveal about the current state of inequality in the Island; and will he further state what measures, if any, are being taken to reduce any such inequality?”

22. The Minister for Education will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

“Will the Minister, in respect of States of Jersey secondary school teachers:

- (a) provide a table showing headcount and turnover, broken down by support staff, teaching assistants and teachers (in both absolute and percentage terms), equivalent to that which was provided in relation to primary school teachers in information published on 26th January 2017 under the heading ‘Primary school teaching staff turnover 2009 to 2016’ in response to a Freedom of Information request; and
- (b) state when he will provide an answer to question 9598 on the number of secondary teachers teaching G.C.S.E. and A-level classes in subjects other than their specialist subjects?”

23. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy J.A. Hilton of St. Helier –

“What has been the cost of Income Support payments for each year since the inception of the Income Support system until the present time?”



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