

STATES OF JERSEY



ISLAND PLAN 2022-25: APPROVAL (P.36/2021) – FORTY-FIFTH AMENDMENT NIGHT-TIME ECONOMY

**Lodged au Greffe on 12th July 2021
by the Connétable of St. Brelade**

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After the words “the draft Island Plan 2022-25” insert the words “except that, within Policy ER4, part 1., the words “, the defined centre at Les Quennevais” should be deleted.”

CONNÉTABLE OF ST. BRELADE

Note: After this amendment, the proposition would read as follows –

THE STATES are asked to decide whether they are of opinion –

to approve, in accordance with Article 3(1) of the Planning and Building (Jersey) Law 2002, as amended by the Covid-19 (Island Plan) (Jersey) Regulations 2021, the draft Island Plan 2022-25, except that, within Policy ER4, part 1., the words “, the defined centre at Les Quennevais” should be deleted.

REPORT

This amendment is proposed in order to give residents of the area the confidence that their present peaceful lives won't be compromised by a 'night-time economy' and the associated problems inevitably associated. The area in question is surrounded by established residential developments which risk having their tranquillity shattered by such a suggestion. The existing public houses serve the community adequately and there is no need to increase the number.

There are several negative aspects of a night-time economy, such as –

- crime
- anti-social behaviour
- alcohol-related hospital admissions;

all of which put pressure on police and emergency services.

It is already known that Jersey has a higher average alcohol consumption per adult than the United Kingdom (U.K.). The Island's latest alcohol profile¹ (from 2018) identifies a rate of alcohol-related hospital admissions that is significantly higher than that of the U.K. It also highlights that alcohol played a role in 14% of all crimes recorded in Jersey in 2018, with more than 1 in 3 serious assaults recorded by the police as involving alcohol. Given this, it is logical that any expansion to the night-time economy in Les Quennevais centre would increase the likelihood of crime, anti-social behaviour, and alcohol-related hospital admissions, and this is far from acceptable.

Financial and manpower implications

There are no financial or manpower implications in relation to this amendment.

CRIA statement

This amendment has been assessed in relation to the [Bridging Island Plan CRIA](#). The best interests of the child are vital, and the adoption of this amendment would protect children from the likely negative effects of a night-time economy in their neighbourhood, such as anti-social behaviour or crime.

¹ [Statistics Jersey: Jersey Alcohol Profile 2018](#)