STATES OF JERSEY



ISLAND PLAN 2011: APPROVAL (P.48/2011): FIFTY-FIRST AMENDMENT

Lodged au Greffe on 20th June 2011 by the Minister for Planning and Environment

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After the words "the revised draft Island Plan 2011" insert the words -

"except that in the section relating to Park and ride/ transport hubs, at the end of paragraph 8.75 (page 311) insert the following words –

'The Minister for Planning and Environment would expect that an appropriate evaluation of options for the provision of park and ride facilities is made in the development of any emergent proposals during the Plan period, to ensure that they are genuinely accessible by a choice of means of transport; and provide the greatest value and benefit relative to the objectives of the Sustainable Transport Policy (2010).'".

MINISTER FOR PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT

NOTE:

This amendment has been lodged by the Minister for Planning and Environment for less than 8 weeks before the start of the debate in accordance with the provisions of Article 4A of the Planning and Building (Jersey) Law 2002. Paragraphs 4A(2), (3) and (4) are in the following terms –

4A Procedure for and following lodging of draft Island Plan

- "(2) An amendment to a draft Island Plan cannot be debated by the States unless it has been lodged for a minimum period of 8 weeks.
- (3) An amendment to an amendment to a draft Island Plan cannot be debated by the States unless it has been lodged for a minimum period of 6 weeks.
- (4) Paragraph (2) or (3) does not apply to an amendment lodged by the Minister if the States agree that the amendment may be debated forthwith or on a day or at a time approved by the States."

In accordance with the provisions of paragraph (4) the Minister for Planning and Environment will seek the agreement of the States to debate this amendment during the debate on the 'Island Plan 2011: approval' (P.48/2011).

REPORT

The Minister for Planning and Environment is sympathetic to the intent behind the Deputy of St. Mary's amendment 5(b), (P.48/2011 Amd.(21)), relating to the evaluation of park and ride options, but cannot accept the proposed amendment in its current form. On this basis, and having regard to the recommendations of the independent planning inspectors, the Minister is minded to propose his own amendment to address the matter and better reflect the Deputy's intent in the Plan.

The Minister would suggest that it is not for him to determine the relative merits of different options for park and ride facilities through the application of this policy. The inspectors agree, and suggest that it is beyond his powers as it stands.

The Minister would respectfully suggest that this task ought to be most appropriately undertaken by the sponsor of any development proposals for park and ride facilities – most likely to be the Minister for Transport and Technical Services – in the development of proposals, and his further amendment seeks to reflect this.

Financial and manpower implications

There are no additional financial or manpower implications arising from this amendment.