



**THE STATES assembled on Monday
30th November 2020, at 2.30 p.m. under
the Presidency of the Deputy Bailiff,
Robert James MacRae, Esquire.**

**His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor,
Air Chief Marshall Sir Stephen Dalton, G.C.B., LL.D. (Hon.), D.Sc. (Hon.), B.Sc., F.R.Ae.S.,
C.C.M.I. was present.**

All members were present at roll call with the exception of –

Senator Sarah Craig Ferguson – excused attendance (joined at 3.38 p.m.)
Connétable Sadie Anthea Le Sueur-Rennard of St. Saviour – ill
Deputy Charles Hugh Raymond of Trinity – excused attendance (joined at 2.51 p.m.)

Prayers

Standing Order 55A – meeting held remotely

THE STATES assembled remotely, in accordance with Standing Order 55A, as the Bailiff considered that it was not possible to convene or maintain a quorate meeting in view of a substantial risk to the health of both States Members and the public.

Subordinate enactments tabled

The following enactments were tabled, namely –

Covid-19 (Workplace Restrictions) (Amendment No. 3) (Jersey) Order 2020. <i>Minister for Health and Social Services.</i>	R&O.144/2020.
Long-Term Care Services (Health and Social Services Charges) (Amendment No. 8) (Jersey) Order 2020. <i>Minister for Health and Social Services.</i>	R&O.145/2020.
Misuse of Drugs (Licence Fees) (Jersey) Order 2020. <i>Minister for Health and Social Services.</i>	R&O.146/2020.
Social Security (Parental Benefit) (Jersey) Order 2020. <i>Minister for Social Security.</i>	R&O.147/2020.
Covid-19 (Workplace – Fourteenth Extension) (Jersey) Order 2020. <i>Minister for Health and Social Services.</i>	R&O.151/2020.

Documents presented

Composition and Election of the States: proposed changes (P.139/2020): comments. Presented: 25th November 2020. <i>Comité des Connétables.</i>	P.139/2020. Com.
Composition and Election of the States: proposed changes (P.139/2020): comments. Presented: 27th November 2020. <i>Privileges and Procedures Committee.</i>	P.139/2020. Com.(2).
CI Lottery: Allocation of 2019 Proceeds (P.141/2020) – comments. Presented: 27th November 2020. <i>Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel.</i>	P.141/2020. Com.
Land Transactions under Standing Order 168(3) – 52 Don Street and 12, 14 and 16 Burrard Street, St. Helier – proposed sale. Presented: 19th November 2020. <i>Minister for Infrastructure.</i>	R.130/2020.
Land Transactions under Standing Order 168(3) – H.M. Prison, La Moye, St. Brelade – Gatehouse West Project – Lease of Sub-Station. Presented: 19th November 2020. <i>Minister for Infrastructure.</i>	R.131/2020.
Land Transactions under Standing Order 168(3) – The Marine Leisure Business Park, La Collette, St. Helier – Proposed Lease-in from Ports of Jersey Ltd. Presented: 26th November 2020. <i>Minister for Infrastructure.</i>	R.132/2020.
Public Accounts Committee – Appointment of Unelected Members. Presented: 27th November 2020. <i>Public Accounts Committee.</i>	R.133/2020.
Scrutiny Review of the Government Plan: 2021-2024 – Health and Social Security Panel. Presented: 27th November 2020. <i>Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel.</i>	S.R.10/2020.

Notification of lodged propositions

Government Plan 2021–2024 (P.130/2020): amendment. Lodged: 27th November 2020. <i>Children, Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel.</i>	P.130/2020. Amd.
Government Plan 2021–2024 (P.130/2020): second amendment. Lodged: 27th November 2020. <i>Children, Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel.</i>	P.130/2020. Amd.(2).
Government Plan 2021–2024 (P.130/2020): third amendment. Lodged: 27th November 2020. <i>Children, Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel.</i>	P.130/2020. Amd.(3).
Government Plan 2021–2024 (P.130/2020): fourth amendment. Lodged: 30th November 2020. <i>Senator S.Y. Mézec.</i>	P.130/2020. Amd.(4).

Government Plan 2021–2024 (P.130/2020): fifth amendment. Lodged: 30th November 2020. <i>Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier.</i>	P.130/2020. Amd.(5).
Government Plan 2021–2024 (P.130/2020): sixth amendment. Lodged: 30th November 2020. <i>Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel.</i>	P.130/2020. Amd.(6).
Government Plan 2021–2024 (P.130/2020): seventh amendment. Lodged: 30th November 2020. <i>Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel.</i>	P.130/2020. Amd.(7).
Government Plan 2021–2024 (P.130/2020): eighth amendment. Lodged: 30th November 2020. <i>Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel.</i>	P.130/2020. Amd.(8).
Government Plan 2021–2024 (P.130/2020): ninth amendment. Lodged: 30th November 2020. <i>Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier.</i>	P.130/2020. Amd.(9).
Government Plan 2021–2024 (P.130/2020): tenth amendment. Lodged: 30th November 2020. <i>Connétable of St. Helier.</i>	P.130/2020. Amd.(10).
Government Plan 2021–2024 (P.130/2020): eleventh amendment. Lodged: 30th November 2020. <i>Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier.</i>	P.130/2020. Amd.(11).
Government Plan 2021–2024 (P.130/2020): twelfth amendment. Lodged: 30th November 2020. <i>Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade.</i>	P.130/2020. Amd.(12).
Government Plan 2021–2024 (P.130/2020): thirteenth amendment. Lodged: 30th November 2020. <i>Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade.</i>	P.130/2020. Amd.(13).
Government Plan 2021–2024 (P.130/2020): fourteenth amendment. Lodged: 30th November 2020. <i>Senator I.J. Gorst.</i>	P.130/2020. Amd.(14).
Government Plan 2021–2024 (P.130/2020): fifteenth amendment. Lodged: 30th November 2020. <i>Senator K.L. Moore.</i>	P.130/2020. Amd.(15).
Government Plan 2021–2024 (P.130/2020): sixteenth amendment. Lodged: 30th November 2020. <i>Government Plan Review Panel.</i>	P.130/2020. Amd.(16).
Government Plan 2021–2024 (P.130/2020): seventeenth amendment. Lodged: 30th November 2020. <i>Deputy K.G. Pamplin of St. Saviour.</i>	P.130/2020. Amd.(17).
Government Plan 2021–2024 (P.130/2020): eighteenth amendment. Lodged: 30th November 2020. <i>Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier.</i>	P.130/2020. Amd.(18).

Appointment of unelected members of the Public Accounts Committee

In accordance with the provisions of Standing Order 124(1), the following nominations were made by Deputy Inna Gardiner of St. Helier, Chair of the Public Accounts Committee, as unelected members of the Public Accounts Committee –

Dr. Helen Miles
Mr. Graeme Phipps
Mr. Adrian Lane.

There having been no further nominations, in accordance with the provisions of Standing Order 124(2), the Deputy Bailiff declared that the above persons had been duly appointed as unelected members of the Public Accounts Committee.

Written Questions

(see Official Report/Hansard)

- WQ.450/2020 1. The Chief Minister tabled an answer to a question asked by Senator S.Y. Mézec regarding the payment of the Living Wage by Government of Jersey contractors.
- WQ.451/2020 2. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer to a question asked by Senator S.C. Ferguson regarding the application of V.A.T. to goods ordered online in Jersey.
- WQ.452/2020 3. The Minister for Infrastructure tabled an answer to a question asked by the Connétable of St. Peter regarding the transport of loose material.
- WQ.453/2020 4. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy S.M. Ahier of St. Helier regarding the Business Disruption Loan Guarantee Scheme.
- WQ.454/2020 5. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding hospital doctors who had been suspended from duty.
- WQ.455/2020 6. The Minister for the Environment tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding the inspection of Jersey care homes.
- WQ.456/2020 7. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding the undertaking of wills by video link.
- WQ.457/2020 8. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding the spread of Covid-19 in Jersey.
- WQ.458/2020 9. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding the operations of Jersey Post.
- WQ.459/2020 10. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding staff vacancies in the Department of Health and Community Services.
- WQ.460/2020 11. The Minister for Children and Housing tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier regarding the recommendation for a Jersey Care memorial.
- WQ.461/2020 12. The Minister for Infrastructure tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier regarding expenditure on the LibertyBus contract.

- WQ.462/2020 13. The Chief Minister tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier regarding the decision not to proceed with the Jersey Care memorial.
- WQ.463/2020 14. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier regarding the use of the Spend Local cards.
- WQ.464/2020 15. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier regarding leaving packages for senior civil servants.
- WQ.465/2020 16. The Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture tabled an answer to a question asked by the Connétable of St. Helier regarding the impact of proposed changes to Springfield Stadium on green space.
- WQ.466/2020 17. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding access to affordable primary care.
- WQ.467/2020 18. The Minister for Social Security tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the delivery of the Jersey Care Model.
- WQ.468/2020 19. The Minister of Social Security tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern regarding the impact of Covid-19 on households with the lowest income.
- WQ.469/2020 20. The Chief Minister tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy C.S. Alves of St. Helier regarding Subject Access Requests submitted to Government departments.
- WQ.470/2020 21. The Minister for Education tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy C.S. Alves of St. Helier regarding mental health support to students.
- WQ.471/2020 22. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy C.S. Alves of St. Helier regarding the administration of the decrease in the G.S.T. *de minimis* threshold.

Oral Questions

(see *Official Report/Hansard*)

- OQ.350/2020 1. Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier asked a question of the Minister for Health and Social Services regarding the long-term mental and physical health needs of Islanders.
- OQ.354/2020 2. Deputy G.J. Truscott of St. Brelade asked a question of the Minister for Health and Social Services regarding the Jersey Covid Alert App.
- OQ.355/2020 3. Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier asked a question of the Minister for Health and Social Services regarding affordable primary care for vulnerable patients.
- OQ.346/2020 4. Deputy S.M. Ahier of St. Helier asked a question of the Assistant Chief Minister regarding offers made to residents of the Overdale area to purchase property.
- OQ.352/2020 5. Deputy K.G. Pamplin of St. Saviour asked a question of the Chief Minister regarding the investigation by the States of Jersey Complaints Panel of a complaint against the Chief Operating Office.
- OQ.344/2020 6. Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier asked a question of H.M. Attorney General regarding the legal rights of prisoners to make and receive telephone calls.

- OQ.349/2020 7. The Connétable of St. Helier asked a question of the Assistant Chief Minister regarding the involvement of the Parish of St. Helier in investigating access arrangements for a new hospital at Overdale.
- OQ.347/2020 8. The Connétable of St. Martin asked a question of the Chair of the Privileges and Procedures Committee regarding the implications of adopting ‘Composition and Election of the States: proposed changes’ (P.139/2020).
- OQ.351/2020 9. Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier asked a question of the Minister for the Environment regarding landfill space in Jersey.
- OQ.345/2020 10. Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier asked a question of the Minister for Children and Housing regarding the records of the Children’s Service.
- OQ.348/2020 11. The Connétable of St. Martin asked a question of the Chair of the Privileges and Procedures Committee regarding alternative voting options for considering the amendments to ‘Composition and Election of the States: proposed changes’ (P.139/2020).
- OQ.353/2020 12. Deputy K.G. Pamplin of St. Saviour asked a question of the Minister for Health and Social Services regarding the publication of the minutes of the Scientific and Technical Advisory Cell.
- OQ.356/2020 13. Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier asked a question of the Minister for Health and Social Services regarding expenditure to implement the Jersey Care Model.

Oral Questions without notice

(see Official Report/Hansard)

The Minister for Infrastructure answered questions without notice from members.

The Chief Minister answered questions without notice from members.

Urgent Oral Question

(see Official Report/Hansard)

Deputy K.G. Pamplin of St. Saviour asked the following question of the Chief Minister which the Bailiff had allowed in accordance with Standing Order 15 relating to urgent oral questions –

“Given the reported spike in positive Covid-19 cases following recent events, which has led to many Islanders isolating, more and more children having to be removed from schools and demands on the Island’s testing centres, what is the Government’s response to deal with these concerns?”

Adjournment

THE STATES adjourned, having agreed to reconvene on Tuesday 1st December 2020 in order to consider the items of public business listed for consideration at the meeting.

THE STATES rose at 5.37 p.m.

DR. M. EGAN

Greffier of the States