



## STATES OF JERSEY ORDER PAPER

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### F. APPOINTMENT OF MINISTERS, COMMITTEES AND PANELS

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- (vi) Appointment of the Chairman of the Jersey Overseas Aid Commission.

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**Note –**

**In accordance with the meeting dates fixed for 2018 by the Privileges and Procedures Committee, this meeting will continue, if necessary, on Friday 8th June 2018.**



## Selection of Ministers

The Chief Minister designate, in accordance with Standing Order 117(2), has given notice of the following nominations for the 10 ministerial offices that he will make in the order shown –

External Relations	Senator I.J. Gorst
Treasury and Resources	Deputy S.J. Pinel of St. Clement
Education	Senator T.A. Vallois
Health and Social Services	Senator S.C. Ferguson
Social Security	Deputy J.A. Martin of St. Helier
Infrastructure	Deputy K.C. Lewis of St. Saviour
Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture	Senator L.J. Farnham
Environment	Deputy J.H. Young of St. Brelade
Housing	Senator S.Y. Mézec
Home Affairs	The Connétable of St Clement

The Chief Minister has, in accordance with Standing Order 117(2B) provided the following explanatory note about his nominations.

### Explanatory Note

As indicated in his speech, the Chief Minister designate intends to appoint Senator T.A. Vallois as his Deputy Chief Minister. He also intends to create the role of a Minister for International Relations, to which he will nominate the Deputy of Grouville as Minister. In the meantime, she will be an Assistant Chief Minister. In addition, the Connétable of St. John and the Connétable of St. Ouen will also be appointed as Assistant Chief Ministers.

The Chief Minister also intends to create the role of Minister for Children, to which he intends to nominate Senator S.Y. Mézec. The Chief Minister will also be reviewing the political responsibilities for existing portfolios and assess whether those portfolios will be revised in light of strategic priorities and the changes to the civil service structure.

### Note

At the meeting, the Presiding Officer will invite the Chief Minister designate to make each of the nominations in turn. Following each nomination the Presiding Officer will invite members to nominate alternative candidates for appointment to the ministerial office concerned. If there are no alternative nominations, the member nominated by the Chief Minister designate will speak for up to 10 minutes followed by a 20-minute question period; after which the member nominated by the Chief Minister designate will be selected for appointment.

If more than one member is nominated, the Presiding Officer will invite each candidate to speak for up to 10 minutes followed by a 20 minute question period. The candidates will speak in the order in which they are nominated, meaning that the Chief Minister designate's nomination will always speak first. During the speeches and question period other candidates must withdraw from the Chamber to a place where they cannot hear the proceedings.

After the candidates have spoken and been questioned, a recorded vote will be held. If there are no more than two candidates for a ministerial position, members will be required to use the electronic voting system to cast their vote to enable the manner in which members have voted to be read out. If there are more than two candidates, an open ballot will take place. In each case, once a candidate has obtained a majority of the votes cast in the recorded vote, he or she will be appointed to the relevant ministerial office.

If during the selection process the States select a candidate who is not the Chief Minister designate's nominee, the Chief Minister designate will be able, if he wishes, to amend the list of nominees for the



remaining ministerial offices and, in doing so, he may also amend the order in which he wishes the remaining nominations to be made. The States must nevertheless be informed at every stage of the full list of remaining nominations being made by the Chief Minister designate.

In accordance with Article 19(7) of the States of Jersey Law 2005, once the last Minister has been selected, the Chief Minister designate and the persons selected are appointed to ministerial office.

### **Adjournment following selection of Ministers**

After the selection of Ministers under Standing Order 117 is complete, the Presiding Officer will, in accordance with Standing Order 117A, invite the members of the States to decide whether to adjourn immediately and continue either later that same day or at 9.30 a.m. the next working day.

### **Appointment of the Chairman of the Privileges and Procedures Committee**

The Presiding Officer will invite nominations for the position of Chairman of the Privileges and Procedures Committee. Ministers and Assistant Ministers are not eligible for appointment to this position. Each nomination must be seconded. If there is only one nomination, the member nominated will speak for up to 10 minutes followed by a 20-minute question period; after which the member will be selected for appointment. If there is more than one nomination, each candidate will speak for up to 10 minutes with a 20 minute question period. The candidates will speak and be questioned in the order in which they have been nominated. Other candidates must withdraw from the Chamber during the speeches and question period.

Following the speeches and question periods, a recorded vote will be held until one candidate receives an overall majority of the votes cast. The electronic voting system will be used in any instance where there are no more than two candidates; an open ballot will take place in instances where there are more than two candidates.

### **Appointment of the Chairman of the Public Accounts Committee**

Ministers and Assistant Ministers are not eligible for appointment to this position. The procedure to be followed is identical to the procedure described above for the Chairman of the Privileges and Procedures Committee.

### **Appointment of the Chairmen of the 5 Scrutiny Panels**

Ministers and Assistant Ministers are not eligible for appointment to these positions. The appointments will be made in the order set out on the Order Paper for the 5 Scrutiny Panels. For each Panel, the relevant Ministers are prevented from either nominating candidates or taking part in the final vote. The corresponding Ministers for each Panel (who will be so affected) are as follows:

Corporate Services	Chief Minister Minister for External Relations Minister for Treasury and Resources
Economic Affairs	Chief Minister Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture
Education and Home Affairs	Minister for Education Minister for Home Affairs
Environment, Housing and Infrastructure	Minister for the Environment Minister for Housing Minister for Infrastructure
Health and Social Security	Minister for Health and Social Services Minister for Social Security



All Ministers are nevertheless able to take part in the questioning of each candidate. The procedure for the appointment of each Panel Chairman is otherwise identical to the procedure set out above for the Chairman of the Privileges and Procedures Committee.

### **Appointment of the Chairman of the Planning Committee**

Ministers and any member of the Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel are not eligible for appointment to these positions. The procedure to be followed is identical to the procedure described above for the Chairman of the Privileges and Procedures Committee.

### **Appointment of the Chairman of the Jersey Overseas Aid Commission**

If there is only 1 candidate, the procedure to be followed is identical to the procedure described above for the Chairman of the Privileges and Procedures Committee. If there are 2 candidates or more, the procedure for speeches and questions is identical to the procedure described above for the Chairman of the Privileges and Procedures Committee. For the vote, however, members will not use the electronic voting system in any instance but will cast their votes via open ballot, in accordance with Standing Order 120A(6).