

STATES OF JERSEY ORDER PAPER

Tuesday, 12th December 2000

A. COMMUNICATIONS BY THE BAILIFF

B. TABLING OF SUBORDINATE LEGISLATION

(Explanatory note attached)

C. MATTERS RELATING TO COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP

Nomination of the Connétable of St. John as a member of Employment and Social Security Committee.

D. PRESENTATION OF PAPERS

(a) Papers for information

Matters presented under Standing Order 6A(1)(a)

Human Resource Strategy. R.C.41/2000
Human Resources Committee.

Matters presented under Standing Order 6A(1)(b)

(b) Notification of Standing Order decisions

(c) Notification of acceptance of tenders

(d) Papers to be lodged “au Greffe” under Standing Order 17A(1)(a)

Draft Police Force (Amendment No. 8) (Jersey) Law 2000 (Appointed Day) Act 200-.
P.224/2000
Home Affairs Committee.

Manual Workers' Joint Council: Employers' Side membership - 2001. P.225/2000
Human Resources Committee.

(e) Notification of Papers lodged “au Greffe” under Standing Order 17A(1)(b)

(f) Papers for consideration by the States in Committee under Standing Order 38A

E. STATEMENTS AND PROPOSITIONS RELATING TO THE ARRANGEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS AT THIS OR ANY SUBSEQUENT MEETING

THE STATES are asked to agree that the following matters lodged “au Greffe” will be considered at the next meeting on 16th January 2001 -

Committee of Inquiry: Pioneer Coaches Ltd., Town ‘Hoppa Bus’ service. P.172/2000
Lodged: 10th October 2000
Deputy R.G. Le Hérisier of St. Saviour.

Committee of Inquiry: Pioneer Coaches Ltd., Town ‘Hoppa Bus’ service (P.172/2000):
report. P.172/2000
Presented: 21st November 2000 Rpt.
Public Services Committee.

Housing Regulations: reduction in residence period. P.212/2000
Lodged: 21st November 2000
Housing Committee.

Draft Housing (General Provisions) (Amendment No. 14) (Jersey) Regulations 200-.
P.213/2000
Lodged: 21st November 2000
Housing Committee.

In accordance with Standing Order 17(6) the following Paper is deemed to have been withdrawn -

Senators and Deputies: terms of office. P.199/99
Lodged: 7th December 1999.
Deputy A. Breckon of St. Saviour.

F. PRESENTATION OF PETITIONS

G. QUESTIONS

Senator Paul Vincent Francis Le Claire will ask a question of the Housing Committee on the return of deposits to tenants.

Senator Paul Vincent Francis Le Claire will ask a question of the Sport, Leisure and Recreation Committee regarding the closure of the swimming pool at Fort Regent.

Deputy Jeremy Laurence Dorey of St. Helier will ask a question of the Legislation Committee regarding the Parish Rates Review.

Deputy Jeremy Laurence Dorey of St. Helier will ask a question of the Industries Committee regarding the determination of applications under the Regulation of Undertakings and Development (Jersey) Law 1973, as amended.

Deputy Gerard Clifford Lemmens Baudains of St. Clement will ask questions of the Home Affairs Committee regarding police procedures for the monitoring of police officers' driving, the treatment of members of the public reporting crime or seeking help, and the possible issue of C.S. gas to police officers.

Deputy Gerard Clifford Lemmens Baudains of St. Clement will ask questions of the Public Services Committee regarding the proposal to introduce a speed limit on Grouville's coast road; pavement alterations in St. Clement and resurfacing of roads.

Deputy Lyndon John Farnham of St. Saviour will ask a question on the President of the Planning and Environment Committee regarding Field 378, St. Saviour.

Deputy Lyndon John Farnham of St. Saviour will ask a question on the President of the Jersey Transport Authority regarding the re-establishment of air links with Heathrow.

H. MATTERS OF PRIVILEGE

I. PERSONAL STATEMENTS

J. COMMITTEE STATEMENTS

The President of the Gambling Control Committee will make a statement concerning the Channel Island Lottery.

K. PUBLIC BUSINESS

Employment legislation. P.99/2000
Lodged: 20th June 2000.
Employment and Social Security Committee.

Employment legislation (P.99/2000): addendum to report. P.99/2000
Presented: 3rd October 2000. Rpt.
Employment and Social Security Committee.

Employment legislation (P.99/2000): amendments. P.183/2000
Lodged: 24th October 2000.
Industries Committee.

Employment legislation (P.99/2000): amendments (P.183/2000) - amendment. P.218/2000
Lodged: 21st November 2000.
Industries Committee.

Draft Harbours (Amendment No. 31) (Jersey) Regulations 200 . P.175/2000
Lodged: 10th October 2000
Harbours and Airport Committee.

Draft Harbours (Amendment No. 31) (Jersey) Regulations 200- (P.175/2000): comments.
P.175/2000
Presented: 5th December 2000 Com.
Finance and Economics Committee.

Draft Amendment (No. 25) to the Tariff of Harbour and Light Dues. P.195/2000
Lodged: 7th November 2000.
Harbours and Airport Committee.

Draft Amendment (No. 25) to the Tariff of Harbour and Light Dues (P.195/2000): amendment.
P.219/2000
Lodged: 21st November 2000.
Deputy P.F.C. Ozouf of St. Helier.

Draft Boats and Surf-Riding (Control) (Amendment No. 20) (Jersey) Regulations 200-. P.196/2000
Lodged: 7th November 2000
Harbours and Airport Committee.

Draft Boats and Surf-Riding (Control) (Amendment No. 20) (Jersey) Regulations 200- (P.196/2000):
comments. P.196/2000
Presented: 5th December 2000 Com.
Finance and Economics Committee.

Draft Subordinate Legislation (Amendment No. 2) Law 200- . P.205/2000
Lodged: 14th November 2000.
Legislation Committee.

Draft Criminal Justice (Compensation Orders) (Jersey) Regulations 200- . P.206/2000
Lodged: 14th November 2000.
Legislation Committee.

Draft Criminal Justice (Compensation Orders) (Jersey) Regulations 200- (P.206/2000): addendum.
P.206/2000
Presented: 21st November 2000. Rpt.
Legislation Committee.

50 Colomberie and 1 Little Green Street, St. Helier: conditions of sale. P.217/2000
Lodged: 21st November 2000.
Public Services Committee.

50 Colomberie and 1 Little Green Street, St. Helier: conditions of sale (P.217/2000): comments.
P.217/2000
Presented: 5th December 2000 Com.
Planning and Environment Committee.

Draft Family Allowances (Jersey) Regulations 200-. P.220/2000
Lodged: 28th November 2000.
Employment and Social Security Committee.

Draft Family Allowances (Jersey) Regulations 200- (P.220/2000): comments.
Presented: 5th December 2000
Finance and Economics Committee

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Com.

Health Services Disciplinary Tribunal: appointment of members. P.221/2000
Lodged: 28th November 2000
Employment and Social Security Committee.

C.M. NEWCOMBE

Greffier of the States

7th December 2000

QUESTION PAPER

(See Item G)

Senator Paul Vincent Francis Le Claire will ask the following question of the President of the Housing Committee on the return of deposits to tenants -

“Members will be aware that in many other jurisdictions, security of tenure and the guaranteed return of deposits with interest are available to tenants. Would the President advise members -

- (a) if the Committee is aware of any steps being taken to secure the return of tenants’ deposits held by landlords?
- (b) whether the Committee is considering legislation to cover the guaranteed return of such deposits together with interest accrued?”

Senator Paul Vincent Francis Le Claire will ask the following question of the President of the Sport, Leisure and Recreation Committee regarding the closure of the swimming pool at Fort Regent -

“Would the President advise members whether the swimming pool at Fort Regent has to be closed before the proposed leisure pool on the Waterfront is to be opened and if the answer is in the affirmative, would he give the reasons for this decision?”

Deputy Jeremy Laurence Dorey of St. Helier will ask the following question of the President of the Legislation Committee regarding the Parish Rates Review -

“Following the States’ approval on 24th May 1994 of the Parish Rates Review (P.124/93), the Parish Rates Law Working Party first met in September 1998 to consider and prepare appropriate legislation. Would the President inform the Assembly -

- (a) what progress has been made in preparing legislation, in particular to implement a fixed rateable value, in accordance with the provisions of P.124/93?
- (b) whether the Working Party has confined its deliberations to the precise terms of P.124/93, or whether it has also considered - in response to public expectation - other possible amendments to the 1946 Parish Rates Law, such as the abolition of Occupier’s Rate, the removal of rates exemptions presently enjoyed by the States and the Crown, or any other matters not specified in P.124/93?
- (c) whether there is presently any clear timescale for completion of the Working Party’s task?”

Deputy Jeremy Laurence Dorey of St. Helier will ask the following question of the President of the Industries Committee regarding the determination of applications under the Regulation of Undertakings and Development (Jersey) Law 1973, as amended -

“Under the terms of the Regulations of Undertaking and Development (Jersey) Law 1973, as amended, from January 2000 to-date, how many applications have been accepted and how many rejected from persons with less than 5 years’ residence?”

Deputy Gerard Clifford Lemmens Baudains of St. Clement will ask the following questions of the President of the Home Affairs Committee regarding police procedures for the monitoring of police officers’ driving, the treatment of members of the public reporting crime or seeking help, and the possible issue of C.S. gas to police officers -

“1. Would the President advise members -

- (a) whether the Committee is considering following the United Kingdom Police Force by fitting ‘black boxes’ to local police vehicles in order to assist accident investigation?

- (b) whether the Committee will follow the example of the Metropolitan Police whereby all police drivers in London must undergo a new driving examination and two assessments before obtaining a driving permit?
2. Given that public confidence in the police is necessary for them to function efficiently, what measures does the President intend to implement to ensure that -
 - (a) members of the public seeking help or reporting a crime are treated courteously and without undue delay?
 - (b) in future sufficient information is made available to allay public suspicion that the police receive favourable treatment, especially with regard to motoring offences or accidents.
 3.
 - (a) The Chief Officer, States of Jersey Police Force, has intimated that he is in favour of issuing C.S. gas to his officers. Would the President advise members if this matter is currently under consideration by the Committee?
 - (b) Before any decision is taken to issue police officers with this equipment, would the President agree to table a proposition in order that this matter may be debated by the Assembly, and if the answer is in the negative, would the President give his reasons?"

Deputy Gerard Clifford Lemmens Baudains of St. Clement will ask the following questions of the President of the Public Services Committee regarding the proposal to introduce a speed limit on Grouville's coast road; pavement alterations in St. Clement and resurfacing of roads -

- "1. With regard to the published decision to introduce a 30 mph speed limit on Grouville's coast road, would the President -
 - (a) advise whether the decision was in response to a request from the Parish?
 - (b) confirm that as recently as July this year, the Committee agreed, in considering this speed limit proposal, that it was "Not consistent with policy" .. and that "recorded speeds suggest a 30 miles per hour limit would not produce reductions"?
 - (c) confirm that the Committee's policy accepts that, of the numerous requests it gets for changes to speed limits, "in most cases investigation determines that speeds are not generally excessive, accidents have not occurred or are not speed related, and introducing a lower limit will offer no improvement in safety"?
 - (d) confirm that the proper procedure is for a Parish, after due deliberation, to request the Committee to impose speed restrictions, and not for the President to exert pressure on a Parish to adopt a scheme and, if so, would he confirm that in future the Committee will act in line with these procedures?
2. With regard to the pavement alterations that have been carried out recently by the Committee at the junction of Green Road and St. Clement's coast road, would the President inform Members, given that a local firm can construct pavement, including resiting manholes, etc... at a rate of 70 metres a week -
 - (a) why, with the same sized gang, the c.70 metre south pavement (even allowing for realigning conduits) took 9 weeks and the c.44 metre north pavement four weeks?
 - (b) In view of the difference in efficiency, whether tenders were invited for the work and if not, why not?
 - (c) whether estimates for this work were compared with known rates of local firms before deciding to do the job 'in house'?
3. With regard to the present poor state of our main roads, would the President advise -
 - (a) how much resurfacing has been done this year and how that compares with preceding years?
 - (b) what progress has been made by the working party tasked to investigate the problem and, whether its conclusions will be published?"

Deputy Lyndon John Farnham of St. Saviour will ask the following question of the President of the Planning and Environment Committee regarding Field 378, St. Saviour-

“In relation to the rezoning and redevelopment of Fields 378 and 379, Five Oaks, St. Saviour, would the President inform members -

- (a) whether there are sufficient utilities in the area to support the development at this time?
- (b) in light of the delays in the sale of land by the current owners to the developer, and depending on the answer to (a), when is the development likely to begin?”

Deputy Lyndon John Farnham of St. Saviour will ask the following question of the President of the Jersey Transport Authority regarding the re-establishment of air links with Heathrow -

- “(a) following the recent severance of air links with Heathrow Airport, and in the interest of users of air transport, would the President inform members what steps have been taken in an effort to re-establish an air link between Jersey and Heathrow?
- (b) does the JTA have any plans or a strategy in place that could lead to the re-establishment of an air link between Jersey and Heathrow?”

STATES MEMBERS LUNCHEON

Halkett Room, Morier House.

I will require lunch at today's meeting.

Signed.....

Name.....

Please hand this slip to an usher before 10.00 a.m. today