

## Tuesday 26th June 2012

### A. COMMUNICATIONS BY THE PRESIDING OFFICER

### B. TABLING OF SUBORDINATE ENACTMENTS

(Explanatory note attached)

Petroleum (Licensing) (Fees) (Jersey) Order 2012. R&O.74/2012. *Minister for Home Affairs.* 

Income Support (Transitional Provisions) (Amendment No. 5) (Jersey) Order R&O.75/2012.

2012.
Minister for Social Security.

Immigration (Fees) (Amendment No. 2) (Jersey) Order 2012. R&O.76/2012. *Minister for Home Affairs.* 

C. DOCUMENTS PRESENTED OR LAID

Jersey Competition Regulatory Authority: appointment of Chief Executive to the R.75/2012.

Board.

Presented: 19th June 2012.

Minister for Economic Development.

Land transactions under Standing Order 168(3) – Physiotherapy Studio, Les R.76/2012.

Quennevais Sports Centre – lease.

Presented: 20th June 2012.

Minister for Treasury and Resources.

Jersey Competition Regulatory Authority: Annual Report 2011. R.77/2012.

Presented: 20th June 2012.

Minister for Economic Development.

States of Jersey Police: Annual Performance Report 2011. R.78/2012.

Presented: 20th June 2012. *Minister for Home Affairs*.

States Employees' Remuneration: employees earning over £70,000. R.79/2012.

Presented: 21st June 2012. States Employment Board.

D. NOTIFICATION OF LODGED PROPOSITIONS

Income support: mileage allowance. P.62/2012.

Lodged: 14th June 2012.

Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier.

Jersey Financial Services Commission: appointment of Commissioner. P.63/2012.

Lodged: 19th June 2012.

Minister for Economic Development.



States of Jersey Complaints Panel: appointment of members.

Lodged: 19th June 2012.

Privileges and Procedures Committee.

Property and Infrastructure Regeneration: appointment of Member to the

P.65/2012.

P.64/2012.

Regeneration Steering Group. Lodged: 19th June 2012.

Chief Minister.

### E. WITHDRAWAL OF LODGED PROPOSITIONS

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

Appointment of the Bailiff's Consultative Panel. (Explanatory note attached)

### G. MATTERS OF PRIVILEGE

### H. PETITIONS

### I. QUESTIONS

# (a) - Written Questions

(attached)

- 1. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to a question asked by the Connétable of St. John regarding Jersey Telecom's fault repair service.
- 2. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding the Board of Governors of Haut de la Garenne.
- 3. The Minister for Planning and Environment will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Rondel of St. Helier regarding the environmental risk assessment undertaken prior to the Diamond Jubilee firework display.
- 4. The Minister for Planning and Environment will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Rondel of St. Helier regarding concerns raised by States Departments in respect of the Diamond Jubilee firework display.
- 5. The Minister for Transport and Technical Services will table an answer to a question asked by the Deputy of Grouville regarding measures to improve air quality across Jersey.
- 6. The Minister for Transport and Technical Services will table an answer to a question asked by the Deputy of Grouville regarding road cleaning on bank holidays and weekends.
- 7. The Minister for Transport and Technical Services will table an answer to a question asked by the Deputy of Grouville regarding staffing and manpower costs.
- 8. H.M. Attorney General will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding legal costs incurred in respect of the Low Value Consignment Relief court action.



- 9. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding the collection of Value Added Tax for the UK Government by Jersey Post.
- 10. The Minister for Economic Development will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.C.L. Baudains of St. Clement regarding the impact of the loss of car parking provision in the town area.
- 11. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.C.L. Baudains of St. Clement regarding the health implications of wireless broadband.
- 12. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to a question asked by Senator S.C. Ferguson regarding litigation claims against the Health and Social Services Department.
- 13. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to a question asked by Senator S.C. Ferguson regarding the cost of occupied beds in various Hospital departments.
- 14. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to a question asked by Senator S.C. Ferguson regarding the progress of Gigabit Jersey.
- 15. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.C.L. Baudains of St. Clement regarding the new £100 note.
- 16. The Minister for Transport and Technical Services will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding the Energy from Waste Plant.
- 17. The Minister for Planning and Environment will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding the delegation of powers in respect of planning applications.
- 18. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to a question asked by the Connétable of St. John regarding power cuts experienced in the Island over the past 10 years.
- 19. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to a question asked by the Deputy of St. Ouen regarding the use of additional funding within the Health and Social Services Department.
- 20. The Minister for Home Affairs will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding the inmates at H.M.P La Moye serving sentences for drug related offences.
- 21. The Minister for Economic Development will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding enforcement actions undertaken by the JFSC.
- 22. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding the Queen Elizabeth II Field Challenge.
- 23. The Minister for Housing will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding benchmark standards for private rental accommodation.
- 24. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding changes to company tax policy.
- 25. The Minister for Economic Development will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding job opportunities with mining companies registered in Jersey.
- 26. The Minister for Economic Development will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding job opportunities created by inward investment.



- 27. The Minister for Economic Development will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the measurement of the number of high-value jobs created through the Economic Growth Strategy.
- 28. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the overpayment of Income Support.

### (b) – Oral Ouestions

(120 minutes)

- 1. Deputy T.M. Pitman of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Health and Social Services
  - "What is the current waiting time for people urgently seeking an appointment with a psychologist?"
- 2. Deputy J.A. Martin of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Social Security
  - "What advice, if any, is provided by staff at the Social Security Department to all local employers to ensure that they are aware that the employees' 6% Social Security contribution should not be taken from any redundancy payments and will he undertake to ensure that any employee who has had contributions taken from their redundancy pay in the last 2 years receives a full refund?"
- 3. Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Economic Development
  - "Does the Minister consider that the revelation about the K2 tax avoidance scheme being promoted in the United Kingdom from Jersey has damaged the Island's reputation as a well regulated and responsible financial centre and undermined the policy of attracting high net worth individuals to come and live in Jersey, and, if not, why not?"
- 4. Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources
  - "Given that on 8th November 2011, when standing for his current position, the Minister made a commitment to 'finding a proper and fair solution' to the zero rate paid by some local companies, will he reaffirm this commitment and state what progress, if any, has been made to finding the solution?"
- 5. Deputy S.S.P.A. Power of St. Brelade will ask the following question of the Minister for Transport and Technical Services
  - "Further to his answer on 12th June 2012, can the Minister inform members why Picot and Rouillé Limited, the local company that runs the scrapyard at Bellozanne, was deemed to be an unsuitable company to process the Island's scrap metal for the next tender period and in his words 'did not come up to the mark'?"
- 6. Deputy G.P. Southern will ask the following question of the Chief Minister
  - "When the Chief Minister, in his statement released on 21st June 2012, calls upon all those concerned in aggressive tax planning schemes to 'act', what actions does he envisage and what actions, if any, will he be taking as Chief Minister?"



7. Deputy R.J. Rondel of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Planning and Environment –

"Would the Minister advise the Assembly whether there are any major concerns from a planning perspective regarding the relocation of the new Police Headquarters to the Green Street site and, if so, what these are?"

8. The Connétable of St John will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources –

"Would the Minister, as the shareholder representative, advise how many power cuts there have been over the last 10 years, what the causes were and what action, if any, the JEC is taking to put in place a reliable continuous power supply?"

9. Deputy J.A. Hilton of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Health and Social Services –

"Did the Children's Service decide not to inform other relevant Departments that a convicted sex offender had been housed within yards of the playground at Le Marais and, if so, given the reaction of tenants and her responsibilities under the Children (Jersey) Law 2002, does the Minister consider that not sharing such information was appropriate?"

10. Deputy G.C.L. Baudains of St. Clement will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources –

"Will the Minister, as representative of the shareholder, detail what advice, if any, he sought before committing to 'Gigabit Jersey' and does he have contingency plans for any delay or overbudget arising?"

11. Deputy J.H. Young of St. Brelade will ask the following question of the Minister for Planning and Environment –

"Will the Minister advise the Assembly whether the Development Control officers of the Planning Department are subject to a Code of Conduct (including pre-application discussions, reports to members, review of decisions and records of complaints) which mirrors that contained within the Local Government Association revised guidance note 'Probity in Planning: the role of councillors and officers' published in May 2009 and, if not, why not?"

12. Deputy G.P. Southern will ask the following question of the Chief Minister –

"In preparatory work with Ministers or with the States Employment Board relating to proposed moves to 'modernise' services provided by the public sector, to what extent, if any, has the privatisation or outsourcing of services been explored and in particular, has outsourcing been ruled out for any services and, if so, which ones?"

13. Deputy J.A. Martin of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources –

"Will the Minister advise whether redundancy payments under £50,000 are subject to ITIS and, if so, outline what advice, if any, is provided to local companies and employees by his Department to ensure that all those who have received redundancy payments are aware that ITIS is not paid on earnings under this amount?"



14. Deputy S.S.P.A. Power of St. Brelade will ask the following question of the Minister for Chief Minister –

"Does the Chief Minister agree that more Ministerial priority must be allocated to Population and Migration control and the regulation and the supply of social and affordable housing and, if so, would be consider the creation of a Minister with specific and direct responsibility for Population and Migration regulation and control and also the provision, supply, control and regulation of all social housing and housing trusts?"

- 15. Deputy R.J. Rondel of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Housing
  - "Would the Minister advise the Assembly what the price range of the proposed development of 'affordable homes' due to be completed next to Trinity Parish Hall will be?"
- 16. Deputy T.M. Pitman of St. Helier will ask the following question of H.M. Attorney General
  - "What requirement, if any, is in place to ensure that lawyers provide an itemised breakdown of their bills?"
- 17. Deputy J.A. Hilton of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Health and Social Services –

"Will the Minister inform Members whether compulsory criminal records checks for all employees employed in the care system will be a requirement of the new Regulation of Care Law due to be lodged for debate later this year?"

(c) – Questions to Ministers without notice (30 minutes) –

1st question period – Minister for Transport and Technical Services

2nd question period – Minister for Health and Social Services

## J. PERSONAL STATEMENTS

# K. STATEMENTS ON A MATTER OF OFFICIAL RESPONSIBILITY

The Chairman of the Comité des Connétables will make a statement regarding the 2012 Island wide rate.

### L. PUBLIC BUSINESS

Vote of Censure: Minister for Treasury and Resources.

P.61/2012.

Lodged: 12th June 2012. Senator S.C. Ferguson.

Draft Health Insurance (Medical Benefit) (Amendment No. 5) (Jersey) Regulations 201-.

P.47/2012.

Lodged: 15th May 2012.

Minister for Social Security.

Statement made 'in camera' on 8th December 2008: release of transcript.

P.48/2012.

Lodged: 23rd May 2012.

Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier.



Income Support Medical Appeal Tribunal: appointment of members.	P.49/2012.
Lodged: 25th May 2012.	
Minister for Social Security.	
Disciplinary Panel of the Law Society of Jersey: re-appointment of lay members. Lodged: 29th May 2012. <i>Chief Minister</i> .	P.50/2012.
ARRANGEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS	

# M.

# <u>10th July 2012</u>

Tourism Development Fund: assistance to the private sector. Lodged: 13th March 2012.  Minister for Treasury and Resources. (debate commenced 1st May 2012)	P.26/2012.
Draft Income Tax (Amendment No. 41) (Jersey) Law 201 Lodged: 4th April 2012. Minister for Treasury and Resources.	P.38/2012.
Draft Employment Tribunal (Amendment No. 3) (Jersey) Regulations 201 Lodged: 29th May 2012. <i>Minister for Social Security</i> .	P.51/2012.
Draft Petroleum (Amendment No. 3) (Jersey) Law 201 Lodged: 29th May 2012. <i>Minister for Home Affairs</i> .	P.52/2012.
Draft Petroleum Substances (Jersey) Regulations 201 Lodged: 29th May 2012. Minister for Home Affairs.	P.53/2012.
Draft Fire Precautions (Amendment No. 2) (Jersey) Law 201 Lodged: 29th May 2012. Minister for Home Affairs.	P.54/2012.
Public Employees Contributory Retirement Scheme: Committee of Management – appointment of Member. Lodged: 6th June 2012. Chief Minister.	P.58/2012.
States of Jersey Development Company Limited: appointment of Non-Executive Director.  Lodged: 7th June 2012.  Minister for Treasury and Resources.	P.59/2012.
Transfer of Undertakings Protection of Employment legislation.  Lodged: 8th June 2012.	P.60/2012.

# 17th July 2012

Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier.

Economic Growth and Diversification Strategy.	P.55/2012.
Lodged: 1st June 2012.	
Council of Ministers.	



Draft Income Support (Amendment No. 8) (Jersey) Regulations 201 Lodged: 1st June 2012. <i>Minister for Social Security</i> .	P.56/2012.
Draft Waste Management (Amendment) (Jersey) Regulations 201 Lodged: 1st June 2012. Minister for Planning and Environment.	P.57/2012.
Income support: mileage allowance. Lodged: 14th June 2012. Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier.	P.62/2012.
Jersey Financial Services Commission: appointment of Commissioner. Lodged: 19th June 2012. Minister for Economic Development.	P.63/2012.
States of Jersey Complaints Panel: appointment of members. Lodged: 19th June 2012.  Privileges and Procedures Committee.	P.64/2012.
Property and Infrastructure Regeneration: appointment of Member to the Regeneration Steering Group.  Lodged: 19th June 2012.  Chief Minister.	P.65/2012.

# M.N. DE LA HAYE Greffier of the States

21st June 2012

Note -

In accordance with the meeting dates fixed for 2012 by the Privileges and Procedures Committee, this meeting will continue, if necessary, on Wednesday 27th and Thursday 28th June 2012.



## Explanatory Note regarding subordinate legislation tabled at this meeting.

(See Item B)

#### R&O.74/2012.

This Order sets the fees that are payable upon application for the grant or renewal of a licence to keep petroleum-spirit under the Petroleum (Jersey) Law 1984. The fees are now based upon the type of storage facility, instead of the quantity of petroleum stored.

This Order revokes the Petroleum (Licensing) (Fees) (Jersey) Order 2001.

The Order was made on 13th June 2012 and came into force on 20th June 2012.

#### R&O.75/2012.

This Order revises the transitional arrangements relating to the introduction of income support. It extends the transitional period of protection for individuals formerly entitled to attendance allowance in respect of a child member of the household so that a top up-payment is payable in respect of that child until he or she reaches compulsory school leaving age.

The Order was made on 15th June 2012 and comes into force on 1st July 2012.

### R&O.76/2012.

This Order amends the Immigration (Fees) (Jersey) Order 2010 in 2 respects –

- to increase the fees under that Order; and
- to dispense with the fees charged for the fixing of an indefinite leave stamp on the application for renewal or replacement of a passport or travel document.

On application for limited leave to remain (or variation of that leave) the increase in fees are –

- for a work permit holder or a dependant of that person, from £550 to £561;
- for a person who has no work permit, from £550 to £561;
- for a dependant of a person mentioned above who is applying at the same time as that person, from £275 to £281.

On application for indefinite leave to remain the increase in fees are -

- from £972 to £991; and
- for a dependant of an applicant who is applying at the same time as the applicant, from £486 to £496.

The new fees take effect on 1st July 2012. The current fees took effect on 1st January 2012.

The Order was made on 18th June 2012 and comes into force on 1st July 2012.



On 7th July 1992 the States, adopting a proposition of Senator R.J. Shenton, "agreed to establish a Consultative Panel of elected members of the States with whom the Bailiff would be able to meet in order to consult on a confidential basis in appropriate cases".

The composition of the Panel has been amended on a number of occasions since 1992 to reflect changes to the machinery of government and the current composition, agreed on 16th May 2006, is as follows –

the Chairman of the Comité des Connétables:

the Chief Minister:

the Chairman of the Privileges and Procedures Committee;

the Minister for Treasury and Resources; and

five other members elected by ballot by the States for a period of 3 years.

On 30th June 2009 the States appointed the Connétables of Grouville, St. Lawrence and St. John, Deputy J.A. Martin of St. Helier and the Deputy of Grouville as the 5 members elected by ballot for 3 years.

Although the Panel does not meet frequently it nevertheless enables the Bailiff to discuss various matters with elected members. For example, matters discussed by the Panel in the past few years have included the plans for Liberation Day and Royal visits, the arrangements for the departure of His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor and the arrival of his successor, the appropriate way to mark the departure from the States of retiring members in December 2011.

As the 3 year term of office of the 5 members elected by ballot in 2009 will expire later this week it is necessary to re-appoint members. In accordance with the procedure followed in 2009 nominations will be invited from the floor at this meeting and each nomination will need to be seconded. If there are more than 5 nominations made a ballot will be held and the 5 members receiving the largest numbers of votes will be elected as members of the Panel. In the ballot each member will be able to cast up to 5 votes.



(See Item I(a))

1. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to a question asked by the Connétable of St. John –

"Given many millions of pounds of funding has been put into telecommunications from the public purse, would the Minister, as the representative of the shareholder, provide a breakdown of the number of faults identified by Jersey Telecom from December 2011 to date, indicating which parishes have been most affected?"

2. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier –

"Further to the provisions of the Children (Jersey) Law 2002, will the Minister publish a list of all living and deceased members of the board of governors/board of management/board of trustees for Haut de la Garenne since 1960, and if not, why not?"

3. The Minister for Planning and Environment will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy R.J. Rondel of St. Helier –

"Would the Minister outline the differences, if any, between the Environmental Risk Assessments for the aborted firing of 120,000 rockets by Mr. Terry McDonald in August 2007 and the recent firework display held for H.M. The Queen's Diamond Jubilee on 4th June 2012?"

4. The Minister for Planning and Environment will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy R.J. Rondel of St. Helier –

"Would the Minister detail any concerns raised by any States Departments prior to H.M. The Queen's Diamond Jubilee firework display on 4th June 2012 and would he undertake to provide Members with any relevant reports from any States Department (such as Environment/Health and Safety/Fire Service etc) relating to the display?"

5. The Minister for Transport and Technical Services will table an answer to the following question asked by the Deputy of Grouville –

"Setting aside the closure of the Bellozanne Incinerator, which caused considerable air pollution across the entire Island, together with the latest measures that have been put in place to alleviate the noxious aromas emanating from the green waste composting process at La Collette 2, would the Minister outline what practical measures, if any, the Transport and Technical Services Department undertakes on a regular basis to improve air quality across Jersey?

Would the Minister offer some detail in respect of practical procedures undertaken by the Department to improve air quality in the area of the Town, where slow moving traffic causes excessive exhaust gas emissions?"



6. The Minister for Transport and Technical Services will table an answer to the following question asked by the Deputy of Grouville –

"Could the Minister advise whether Transport and Technical Services staff using road sweeping machines worked on New Year's day, other bank holidays and Saturdays in rural parishes and, if so, why?"

7. The Minister for Transport and Technical Services will table an answer to the following question asked by the Deputy of Grouville –

"Further to the figures contained within R.48/2012 (States Employment Board- Annual Report 2011) how many staff are currently employed within the Transport and Technical Services Department, how are their roles split and what is the total cost of manpower?"

8. H.M. Attorney General will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier –

"Would the Attorney General advise members of the actual total legal costs incurred in taking the UK Government to court on the Low Value Consignment Relief issue and explain which law firms were involved, whether he will publish the itemised bills they provided for their services to the States and, if he is not willing to do so, will he advise members why not?"

9. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier –

"Will the Minister, as the shareholder representative, advise the Assembly –

- (a) the current system being used by Jersey Post to collect VAT receipts from Jersey residents sending goods to the UK and the rules being applied;
- (b) the value of VAT receipts that have been collected to date since Jersey Post started collecting these payments for H.M. Government (HMG);
- (c) whether Jersey Post is compensated financially by HMG for the collection and, if so, what is the amount they have received;
- (d) whether the VAT is being charged at a standard rate of 20% across the board or whether there are different rates being applied to different goods; and,
- (e) if any goods are not subject to UK VAT and if so what they are?"
- 10. The Minister for Economic Development will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.C.L. Baudains of St. Clement –

"Would the Minister state whether he has concerns that the increasing loss of parking in St. Helier (residents parking schemes, loss of parking in Tunnel Street/Gas Place area and pedestrianisation) may affect Jersey's economy by encouraging buyers to shop on-line and, if so, whether he has entered into discussions with the Connétable of St Helier, the Minister for Transport and Technical Services and others to address this problem?"



11. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.C.L. Baudains of St. Clement –

"Further to the response given by the Minister for Planning and Environment to my question on 12th June 2012 regarding the use of mobile phones and wireless broadband connections, would the Minister advise what research, if any, the Health and Social Services Department has carried out into possible health implications of wireless broadband and, if none, state why not?"

12. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to the following question asked by Senator S.C. Ferguson –

"Would the Minister provide details of the number of litigation claims made against the Health and Social Services Department over the past 10 years, identifying for each year –

- (i) the number of claims submitted by speciality;
- (ii) the number of claims upheld by specialty/department;
- (iii) the total amount paid to successful claimants by specialty/department;
- (iv) the overall cost to administer claims each year;
- (v) the number of FTE staff employed to administer claims, by grade and advising the total staffing costs and to which/whose budget these costs are attributed?

What amount is covered by "insurance" if any, and would the Minister advise what insurance payments are made, including insurance cost increases by year?"

13. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to the following question asked by Senator S.C. Ferguson –

"Would the Minister provide Members with the annual figures for the past 10 years of the average cost per day of an occupied bed (identifying the costs included in the calculation) and average occupancy rates and average length of stay in the following units –

Surgery
Medicine
Maternity
Rehabilitation
Mental Health Acute
Mental Health Long Term?"

14. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to the following question asked by Senator S.C. Ferguson –

"Would the Minister as the representative of the shareholder, inform Members what the progress is on Gigabit Jersey?

How many users are now on the system?

What is the estimated time to complete the cabling for the Island and what is the estimate of time to get Gigabit Jersey into every home?

What is the up to date estimate of costs to completion?



15. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.C.L. Baudains of St. Clement –

Would the Minister update members regarding the recent £100 note, namely:

- (a) how many were printed,
- (b) how many expression of interest were received,
- (c) how many have been issued (sold) to date?"
- 16. The Minister for Transport and Technical Services will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier –

"Will the Minister advise members whether the contract for the Energy from Waste Plant has been completed and the Plant is now being fully operated by the Department and, if not, provide details why it has not?

If the contract has not been completed, would the Minister advise –

- (i) the estimated completion date;
- (ii) the cost of the contract to date;
- (iii) the estimated cost of completing the Plant and who, and in what proportion, will be liable for these costs?

If the contract has been completed, would the Minister advise –

- (i) the final cost of the project to date;
- (ii) the final cost of failing to hedge the contract?
- (iii) the amount of waste incinerated to date together with a monthly breakdown from start to date?
- (iv) the amount of electricity that has been generated to date and the quantity and value of that electricity that has been sold to the JEC?
- (v) the current status of landscaping on the site?"
- 17. The Minister for Planning and Environment will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier –

"Will the Minister advise Members, with regard to planning applications:

- 1. (a) the powers of, and relationship between, the Minister, the Planning Applications Panel and the delegated powers of his officers, and
  - (b) the circumstances in which one may overrule or vary the decisions of the others.
- 2. The procedure(s) adopted when the Planning Applications Panel rejects an application which is subsequently resubmitted to the Department and which
  - (i) has successfully met all the objections of the Panel;
  - (ii) has successfully met some of the objections of the Panel.
- 3. The nature and extent of the powers that have been delegated to officers?



18. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to the following question asked by the Connétable of St. John –

"Would the Minister, as the representative of the shareholder, provide a detailed breakdown of the numbers of power cuts which have occurred in the Island over the last 10 years, indicating the dates and whether they affected the whole Island, specific Parishes, districts or areas; the duration of each power cut, and the cause of each one?"

19. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to the following question asked by the Deputy of St. Ouen –

"Will the Minister provide a detailed and itemised breakdown of how the extra funding of £1,758,000 for 2012 recently allocated by the Minister for Treasury and Resources will be used to provide immediate additional support to our Island's health and social services and in particular identify precisely which essential community based front line services will benefit from the additional funding and by how much?"

20. The Minister for Home Affairs will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade –

"What is the total number of inmates at H.M.P. La Moye, as at the week commencing 25th June 2012?

What number and percentage of those inmates are serving sentences relating to the possession, circulation and importation of drugs?

What percentage of these are Cannabis related?

What is the average daily cost of keeping a prisoner at H.M.P. La Moye?"

21. The Minister for Economic Development will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade –

"Will the Minister advise members of the following information about the Jersey Financial Services Commission (JFSC) –

- (a) the number of enforcement actions and their outcomes for each year since the inception of the JFSC, broken down into the different types of activities regulated by it ie. banking, trusts, companies etc?
- (b) the number of court actions commenced by the JFSC for each year since its inception, identifying the institutions concerned, broken down into the different types of activity it regulates showing which were abandoned or completed and in the case of the latter their outcomes?
- (c) the amount of money held by the Commission to fund court and/or enforcement actions each year since the JFSC's inception and how much was expended in those years on court cases and other enforcement actions?"



22. The Chief Minister will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade –

"Further to his response on 15th May 2012, in answer to my question relating to the Queen Elizabeth II Field Challenge, when the Chief Minister said that the Diamond Jubilee Committee was working very hard and that the scheme was not secretive, will he inform members of the number of formal (minuted) meetings held since my question was asked and advise when the public will be requested to nominate fields in line with the Field Challenge criteria?"

23. The Minister for Housing will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade –

"What percentage of private rental accommodation in the Island does the Minister believe would not meet the Department's own 'acceptable standard' benchmark?

Are the standards of private rental units monitored in any meaningful way and is this an area of concern for the Minister?

What steps, if any, is the Housing Department taking to look into accommodation in the private sector which does not 'meet the grade'?"

24. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

"Further to responses given on 29th May 2012 and 12th June 2012 on changes to tax policy in respect of locally and non-locally owned companies, will any of the potential tax extensions apply to the new companies created by inward investment in the oil, gas and mining sectors whose "shareholders are worldwide and fluid" and if not, why not?

Will mechanisms for "restricting tax reliefs for companies" referred to in the answer to question 6916 on 12th June 2012, also apply to such companies and, if not, why not?

Will the Minister detail the current rules for non-resident landlords and state how these rules might be tightened along with how much tax revenue might be produced by such measures?"

25. The Minister for Economic Development will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

"Will the Minister state why he refused to give the names of companies in the oil, gas and mining sector registered in Jersey and confirm that Glencore International PLC's registered address is Queensway House, Hilgrove Street, St Helier?

Since this company has its headquarters in Switzerland and is not conducting mining operations in Jersey, can the Minister state what activities are actually taking place in the Island, and, if not, why not?

Will he further state what taxes, fees or charges such a company will be subject to in Jersey?

How many of the 53 "job opportunities" in this sector arise from this company's registration and what those jobs are and, if not, why not?

Can the Minister state what relationship exists between the mining company and its share registrar, Computershare Investor Services (Jersey) Limited and advise whether any of the "job opportunities" are related to this company?"



26. The Minister for Economic Development will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

"Of the 128 businesses locating in Jersey contained in Appendix 2 of the Economic Growth and Diversity Strategy, how many of these companies are actually trading in Jersey, and how many are merely registered or headquartered here?

Given that the June Labour Market survey is usually not delivered until October, and that the figures contained in Appendix 2 of the growth plan on job creation are critical to its debate, will the Minister either –

- (i) deliver the 2011 figures of jobs delivered in time for the debate on the strategy, or
- (ii) produce figures for "job opportunities" created up to June 2011 which can be assessed in terms of jobs delivered in the December 2011 Labour Market survey?

Can the Minister explain why the retail "job opportunities" in Appendix 2 of P.55/2012 contain a higher proportion of non locally qualified (NLQ) jobs than the sector average and, if not, why not?

Will the Minister state how many "job opportunities" were created by inward investment in the first half of 2011 and how many locally qualified positions were filled by December along with the equivalent figures for NLQ positions?"

27. The Minister for Economic Development will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

"What mechanism will the Minister be using to measure success in creating high-value jobs through the Economic Growth Strategy?

Since P.55/2012 aimed to increase diversity in the economy, why is spending on the rural sector reduced and spending on tourism increased by only 6%, whereas spending on the finance sector is increased by 40% to £3.8 million over the period 2012 to 2015?

Is the £3.8 million sum allocated to the finance sector additional to the sums to support Jersey Finance Limited and, if so, what will be the total spend allocated to the finance sector in 2015?"

28. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

"Will the Minister produce an estimate for –

- (i) the numbers of Income Support overpayments and underpayments that occur annually;
- (ii) the average sum overpaid;
- (iii) the most common causes of overpayments, that is, the change of circumstance that triggers an over- or underpayment, and
- (iv) where error can be identified, what percentage is the fault of the applicant or that of the Department?"



# ORAL QUESTIONS TO MINISTERS WITHOUT NOTICE

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