# THE STATES assembled on Monday, 5th December 2005 at 10.30 a.m. under the Presidency of the Bailiff, Sir Philip Bailhache.

## His Excellency the Lieutenant Governor, Air Chief Marshal Sir John Cheshire, K.B.E., C.B., was present.

All members were present.

### Prayers

### **Chief Minister of Guernsey – welcome**

The Bailiff, on behalf of all members, welcomed the Chief Minister of Guernsey, who was present in the public gallery.

#### New members - welcome

The Bailiff welcomed to the Assembly the newly-elected members of the States.

#### **Chief Minister designate – nominations and selection**

THE STATES noted that, in accordance with the provisions of Standing Order 115(1), two nominations had been received by the Greffier of the States for the office of Chief Minister designate as follows –

Senator Stuart Syvret, nominated by -

Senator Wendy Kinnard
Senator Ben Edward Shenton
Connétable of St. Mary
Deputy Alan Breckon
Deputy Gerard Clifford Lemmens Baudains of St. Clement
Deputy Judith Ann Martin of St. Helier
Deputy Paul Vincent Francis Le Claire of St. Helier

Senator Frank Harrison Walker, nominated by –

Senator Terence Augustine Le Sueur Senator Paul Francis Routier Connétable of St. Ouen Connétable of Grouville Deputy Jacqueline Jeannette Huet of St. Helier Deputy John Benjamin Fox of St. Helier

In accordance with the provisions set out in Standing Order 116, the Bailiff invited the Greffier of the States to read out the nominations, following which lots were drawn to determine the order in which the candidates would speak for a period up to 10 minutes and be questioned thereafter for a period of up to 40 minutes by electe

members; Senator Stuart Syvret was drawn first and Senator Frank Harrison Walker was drawn second. Each candidate withdrew from the Chamber while the other spoke and answered questions during the periods allotted.

THE STATES, having proceeded to a secret ballot, were informed of the results by the Bailiff as follows –

Senator Stuart Syvret 14 Senator Frank Harrison Walker 38

There was one spoilt paper.

The Bailiff accordingly declared that Senator Frank Harrison Walker had been duly elected as the Chief Minister designate.

THE STATES rose at 12.40 p.m.

M.N. DE LA HAYE

Greffier of the States.