

THE STATES assembled on Monday 13th July 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 –

Connétable Alan Simon Crowcroft of St. Helier – excused attendance (joined at 4.41 p.m.) Connétable Michael Keith Jackson of St. Brelade – excused attendance (joined at 4.51 p.m.) Deputy Jessica Harriet Perchard of St. Saviour – ill

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.

Digital Jersey - thanks

The Deputy Bailiff, on behalf of all members, thanked Mr. Rory Steel of Digital Jersey for his work in facilitating the Assembly's remote meetings during the Covid-19 pandemic.

Subordinate enactments tabled

The following enactments were tabled, namely –

Covid-19 (Workplace Restrictions) (Amendment No. 2) (Jersey) Order 2020. R&O.90/2020. *Minister for Health and Social Services*.

Sanctions and Asset-Freezing (UK Human Rights Designations) (Jersey) Order 2020. R&O.91/2020. *Minister for External Relations*.

Covid-19 (Workplace Fourth Extension and Construction Repeal) (Jersey) Order 2020. R&O.92/2020. *Minister for Health and Social Services*.

Documents presented

Draft Financial Services (Disclosure and Provision of Information) (Jersey) Law 202-(P.69/2020): comments. P.69/2020.

Presented: 6th July 2020.

Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel.

States of Jersey Development Company: amendments to the Board of Directors and P.70/2020. Articles of Association (P.70/2020) – comments. Com. Presented: 13th July 2020. Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel. Draft Public Employees (Pension Scheme) (Miscellaneous Amendments) (No. 2) P.74/2020. (Jersey) Regulations 202- (P.74/2020): comments. Com. Presented: 13th July 2020. Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel. Green lanes and quiet lanes: priority to pedestrians, cyclists and horse riders P.79/2020. (P.79/2020) – amendment (P.79/2020 Amd.) – comments. Amd. Presented: 9th July 2020. Com. Minister for Infrastructure. Extended limits of co-payments for G.P. consultations: young people and pregnant P.80/2020. women (P.80/2020) – comments. Com. Presented: 10th July 2020. Minister for Health and Social Services. G.P. fees and income support (P.81/2020): comments. P.81/2020 Presented: 10th July 2020. Com. Minister for Health and Social Services. Investigation into the establishment of a digital register of landlords and tenants P.82/2020. (P.82/2020): comments. Com. Presented: 10th July 2020. Minister for the Environment. Draft Covid-19 (Rates) (Jersey) Regulations 202- (P.85/2020): comments. P.85/2020. Presented: 8th July 2020. Com. Comité des Connétables. Draft Covid-19 (Control of Testing) (Jersey) Regulations 202- (P.87/2020): comments. P.87/2020. Presented: 9th July 2020. Com. Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel. Open Borders arrangements (P.89/2020): comments. P.89/2020. Presented: 9th July 2020. Com. Minister for Infrastructure. Island Plan Review: in-committee debate. R.66/2020. Presented: 6th July 2020. Minister for the Environment. Handling and Learning from Complaints. R.67/2020. Presented: 8th July 2020. Comptroller and Auditor General. Channel Islands Competition and Regulatory Authorities: Annual Report 2019. R.68/2020. Presented: 8th July 2020. Chief Minister.

Council of Ministers and Scrutiny: development of the Government Plan -R.69/2020.

Memorandum of Understanding.

Presented: 10th July 2020.

Chief Minister.

Jersey Law Commission: Annual Report 2019.

R.70/2020.

Presented: 13th July 2020.

Chief Minister.

Notification of lodged propositions

Senators and Deputies: removal of citizenship requirement (P.75/2020) – amendment. P.75/2020. Lodged: 7th July 2020. Amd.

Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade.

Senators and Deputies: removal of citizenship requirement (P.75/2020) – second P.75/2020. amendment. Amd.(2)

Lodged: 7th July 2020.

Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier.

Green lanes and quiet lanes: priority to pedestrians, cyclists and horse riders P.79/2020. (P.79/2020) – amendment. Amd.

Lodged: 7th July 2020. Comité des Connétables.

Extended limits of co-payments for G.P. consultations: young people and pregnant P.80/2020. Amd.

women (P.80/2020) – amendment.

Lodged: 7th July 2020. Deputy C.S. Alves of St. Helier.

G.P. fees and income support (P.81/2020): amendment. P.81/2020. Lodged: 7th July 2020. Amd.

Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier.

Minimum pricing of alcohol and drinks promotions. P.86/2020.

Lodged: 2nd July 2020.

Deputy L.B.E. Ash of St. Clement.

Draft Covid-19 (Control of Testing) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. P.87/2020.

Lodged: 2nd July 2020.

Minister for Health and Social Services.

Enhanced Covid-19 Exit Strategy Communication. P.88/2020.

Lodged: 7th July 2020.

Deputy K.G. Pamplin of St. Saviour.

Enhanced Covid-19 Exit Strategy Communication (P.88/2020): amendment. P.88/2020. Lodged: 10th July 2020. Amd.

Minister for Health and Social Services.

Open Borders arrangements. P.89/2020.

Lodged: 7th July 2020.

Deputy J.H. Young of St. Brelade.

Open Borders arrangements (P.89/2020): amendment.

Lodged: 10th July 2020.

Amd.

Chief Minister.

Jersey Heritage Trust: appointment of Chair. P.90/2020.

Lodged: 8th July 2020.

Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture.

Mobile Speed Cameras. P.91/2020.

Lodged: 10th July 2020. Connétable of St. John.

First Tower Park: protection from States' development.

P.92/2020.

Lodged: 13th July 2020. Connétable of St. Helier.

Written Questions

(see Official Report/Hansard)

- WQ.255/2020 1. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy J.H. Perchard of St. Saviour regarding the number of Islanders considered to be severely vulnerable to Covid-19.
- WQ.256/2020 2. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy J.H. Perchard of St. Saviour regarding the support provided by the Government of Jersey to severely vulnerable people during the Covid-19 pandemic.
- WQ.257/2020 3. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier regarding the Covid-19 testing regime for people arriving in the Island.
- WQ.258/2020 4. The Chief Minister tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier regarding the Economic Council for the Island's economic recovery from the Covid-19 pandemic.
- WQ.259/2020 5. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier regarding the capacity of Covid-19 testing in Jersey.
- WQ.260/2020 6. The Chair of the States Employment Board tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier regarding diversity and cultural awareness training for States employees.
- WQ.261/2020 7. The Minister for Social Security tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the minimum wage.
- WQ.262/2020 8. The Minister for Social Security tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding prospective changes to benefits.
- WQ.263/2020 9. The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding fiscal measures to address the impact of Covid-19 on the States' finances.
- WQ.264/2020 10. The Chair of the Privileges and Procedures Committee tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy S.M. Ahier of St. Helier regarding the Committee's work on electoral reform.

WQ.265/2020 11. The Minister for Infrastructure tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy S.M. Ahier of St. Helier regarding the number of Jersey properties not connected to the mains drains system.

- WQ.266/2020 12. The Chief Minister tabled an answer to a question asked by the Connétable of St. Martin regarding the proposed restructuring of the Department of Growth, Housing and Environment.
- WQ.267/2020 13. The Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture tabled an answer to a question asked by the Connétable of St. Martin regarding Government support for the Island's arts and culture sector during the Covid-19 pandemic.
- WQ.268/2020 14. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy K.G. Pamplin of St. Saviour regarding adult mental health referrals to the Department of Health and Community Services.
- WQ.269/2020
 15. The Minister for Children and Housing tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy K.G. Pamplin of St. Saviour regarding the number of referrals to the Child and Adolescent Mental Health Service.
- WQ.270/2020
 16. The Minister for Children and Housing tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy K.G. Pamplin of St. Saviour regarding the number of Islanders reported as homeless or living in emergency accommodation.
- WQ.271/2020
 17. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy K.G. Pamplin of St. Saviour regarding the structure of the Department of Health and Community Services.
- WQ.272/2020 18. The Chief Minister tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy K.G. Pamplin of St. Saviour regarding the implementation of Target Operating Models in the Government of Jersey.
- WQ.273/2020 19. The Minister for Home Affairs tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding the enforcement of Harassment Notices.
- WQ.274/2020 20. The Minister for Home Affairs tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding a new headquarters for the Jersey Sea Cadets.
- WQ.275/2020 21. The President of the Scrutiny Liaison Committee tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding the Committee's decision to lodge an amendment to 'A safer travel period: States Assembly approval' (P.84/2020).
- WQ.276/2020 22. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding the polymerase chain reaction (P.C.R.) and serology tests for Covid-19 used by his Department.
- WQ.277/2020 23. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy I. Gardiner of St. Helier regarding the waiting lists for surgical operations.
- WQ.278/2020 24. The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy I. Gardiner of St. Helier regarding the impact of new active cases of Covid-19 on the Government's Safer Travel Policy.
- WQ.279/2020 25. The Minister for Social Security tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the impact on Income Support of the Covid-19 pandemic.

WQ.280/2020 26. The Minister for Social Security tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the prospective impact of aligning the minimum wage with the living wage.

Oral Questions

(see Official Report/Hansard)

- OQ.195/2020 1. Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier asked a question of the President of the Scrutiny Liaison Committee regarding the Committee's decision to lodge an amendment to 'A safer travel period: States Assembly approval' (P.84/2020).
- OQ.190/2020 2. Senator K.L. Moore asked a question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources regarding annual expenditure by the Government of Jersey on shipping costs.
- OQ.201/2020 3. Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier asked a question of the Minister for Social Security regarding the impact of the Covid-19 pandemic on the expenditure on benefits.
- OQ.191/2020 4. The Connétable of St. Martin asked a question of the Minister for Health and Social Services regarding the Assisted Reproductive Unit.
- OQ.199/2020 5. Deputy S.M. Ahier of St. Helier asked a question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources regarding the prospective removal of the 'Retail Tax' as part of the Government's stimulus package.
- OQ.189/2020 6. Deputy I. Gardiner of St. Helier asked a question of the Minister for Health and Social Services regarding the provision of parking for hospital staff.
- OQ.197/2020 7. Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier asked a question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources regarding the allocation of funds to hotels to pay for their quarantine needs during the Covid-19 pandemic.
- OQ.193/2020 8. Deputy J.M. Maçon of St. Saviour asked a question of H.M. Attorney General regarding the legal status of the electoral register.
- OQ.187/2020 9. The Deputy of St. John asked a question of the Minister for Health and Social Services regarding the funding available for people to access Family Therapy.
- OQ.200/2020
 10. Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade asked a question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources regarding the provision of public funding for the statue of George Carteret in St. Peter.
- OQ.203/2020 11. Deputy K.F. Morel of St. Lawrence asked a question of the Chief Minister regarding the publication of health advice received by the Government of Jersey in relation to Covid-19.
- OQ.205/2020 12. Deputy C.S. Alves of St. Helier asked a question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources regarding the prospective freezing of Andium Homes rents.
- OQ.188/2020 13. The Deputy of St. John asked a question of the Minister for Health and Social Services regarding the Stroke Rehabilitation Unit.
- OQ.204/2020

 14. Deputy K.F. Morel of St. Lawrence asked a question of the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture regarding the economic impact of Covid-19 in Jersey.

OQ.198/2020 15. Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier asked a question of the Chief Minister regarding the indicators used by the Government of Jersey to determine whether stricter social distancing measures should be introduced.

- OQ.196/2020 16. Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier asked a question of the Minister for Home Affairs regarding the Jersey Police Complaints Authority.
- OQ.192/2020 17. The Connétable of St. Martin asked a question of the Minister for Health and Social Services regarding the role of the States Assembly in the restructuring of the Island's public health services.
- OQ.202/2020 18. Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier asked a question of the Chief Minister regarding the reduction of income inequality in Jersey.

Oral Questions without notice

(see Official Report/Hansard)

The Minister for Infrastructure answered questions without notice from members.

The Minister for External Relations answered questions without notice from members.

A period of questions without notice was held, during which questions were permitted to any Minister on any subject within the official responsibility of the Government of Jersey.

Adjournment

THE STATES adjourned, having agreed to reconvene on Tuesday 14th July 2020 in order to consider the items of public business listed for consideration at the meeting.

THE STATES rose at 6.18 p.m.

DR. M. EGAN

Greffier of the States