

STATES OF JERSEY



MACHINERY OF GOVERNMENT: RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE PARISHES AND THE EXECUTIVE (P.40/2004) – SECOND AMENDMENT

Lodged au Greffe on 11th May 2004
by the Policy and Resources Committee

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In paragraph (e) before the word “regarding” add the words “before the end of July 2005”.

POLICY AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE

REPORT

The report and proposition of the Policy and Resources Committee on the 'Machinery of Government: Relationship between the Parishes and the Executive' (P.40/2004) was lodged 'au Greffe' on 9th March 2004. The Committee has since received valuable feedback from the Connétable of St. Helier, and as a consequence it would like to propose an amendment to part (e) of the proposition relating to the proposed review of the States land and property portfolio.

In paragraph (e) it is proposed that *'the Finance and Economics Committee should be charged to undertake a review of the States land and property portfolio in order to bring recommendations to the States regarding the States' liability to rates'*. The scale of this task should not be underestimated, but the Committee accepts that it would be helpful to set a deadline for these recommendations to be placed before the Assembly.

An assessment of the work involved in this review indicates that a deadline of July 2005 would be reasonable, as this will allow sufficient time for consultation with interested parties and for consideration of the various options referred to in paragraphs 65-69 of the Committee's report. It is anticipated that this will be a high-level review, during which a general assessment would be made as to the extent of the estimated States liability to rates, should the States ultimately decide to pursue this option. It is not felt that it would be appropriate at this stage for the review to make a detailed assessment of the rateable value of every States property, as this would be a costly and time-consuming exercise, and it would be premature to carry out such an exercise until such time that the States have had the opportunity to consider the recommendations of the review.

There are no additional financial or manpower consequences arising from this amendment.