

STATES OF JERSEY



WATERFRONT ENTERPRISE BOARD LTD: APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR

**Lodged au Greffe on 1st October 2008
by the Chief Minister**

STATES GREFFE

PROPOSITION

THE STATES are asked to decide whether they are of opinion –

- (a) to appoint Mr. John Benjamin Fox from 1st November 2008 until 31st March 2009 as a States Director of the Waterfront Enterprise Board Limited;
- (b) to request the Greffier of the States to notify the company of the States' decision.

CHIEF MINISTER

REPORT

The States established the Waterfront Enterprise Board (WEB) Limited in 1995 as a separate legal entity to act as a development agency of the States for an initial period of 10 years. This initial period was extended for a further 10 years by the States on 14th September 2005. The WEB Memorandum and Articles of Association provide that, unless and until determined by the company by ordinary resolution, the number of Directors shall be 7, with 3 States Directors, 3 non-States Directors and the Managing Director. All States Directors and non-States Directors are appointed by the States, and the Managing Director is appointed by the Board. The States also appoints the Chairman who must be a non-States Director.

Following the resignation of Senator J.L. Perchard, who was appointed as a States Director on 28th March 2006 for a 3-year period expiring on 31st March 2009, it is now necessary for the States to appoint a new Director. I am pleased to be able to nominate Deputy Benjamin John Fox as a Director. Deputy Fox will serve out the remainder of Senator Perchard's appointment. Deputy Fox has years of experience in the property and planning sector, as a serving member of the Association of Chief Police Officers (ACPO) National Project and Design Group, Technical Committee on Design Against Crime – Through Environmental Design – Secured by design, and in the time he served on the Urban Renewal Sub Committee and the Planning Sub-Committee. I am pleased that he is willing to allow his name to go forward for nomination for a term of office. He is already well known to States members and the public in his role as Deputy and as Assistant Minister of Education, Sport and Culture. I know that he will bring a wealth of expertise to this post.

The role of the Waterfront Enterprise Board has been to promote, coordinate and implement a comprehensive strategy for the development of the St. Helier Waterfront, with a particular focus on the area known as 'West of Albert'. This work is still very much in progress, and it is planned that the majority of the project will be completed by 2011.

Finally, I would like to place on record my thanks to Senator James Perchard for his service as Director of the Board. During his period as Director, Senator Perchard has overseen an intense period of activity, and I am greatly indebted to him for the contribution that he has made to the development of the St. Helier Waterfront.

There are no financial and manpower implications arising from this proposition.