

# **STATES OF JERSEY**



## **CENTRAL EUROPEAN TIME: REFERENDUM (P.62/2008) – COMMENTS**

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## COMMENTS

The Council of Ministers considers that the issue of whether or not to adopt Central European Time is not a matter of such importance that a referendum would normally be a part of the decision-making process. Whilst this is a seemingly simple issue of changing our clocks, there are many complex ramifications and uncertainties that would need to be investigated further in order to be certain of the benefits of such a change. An issues paper entitled “The Benefits and Disadvantages of Adopting Central European Time in Jersey” has been tabled today to help inform the public of the issues and highlight areas where further extensive research would need to be conducted before any truly informed decision could be reached. Members will, of course, appreciate that conducting detailed research into this issue is not the highest priority of the Council of Ministers at this time and any decision to proceed with such research would be a matter for the next Council of Ministers to prioritise against its other initiatives.