

Louis Brindle

Dear Mr. Spottiswoode,

We write to you following a communication from Roger Bara, who is, as we're sure you're aware, campaigning on behalf of Jersey ex-pats to have marginal relief re-instated for us all as a matter of urgency.

Our principal reason for leaving our Island home was the ever increasing costs associated with living there. The current Treasury Minister, Susie Pinel, has said she has no desire to see people suffering hardship, so with this in mind can we ask you, as the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel, to push on our behalf for the decision to act on this to be dealt with as a matter of urgency, rather than wait until 2020 before doing anything to ease the situation for those of us living abroad ?

We take nothing from Jersey, we paid taxes there all our working lives, all we ask is to be able to live out our retirement in a reasonably comfortable manner, something we would struggle to do in Jersey, and with the introduction of a flat rate 20% tax we will struggle to do abroad as things are.

Please give us our relief back, it's not a big ask when put in context and considered alongside the breathtaking sums of money squandered by the representatives elected to look after us. It sometimes feels like the government steamroller just trundles along without a thought for those caught under its wheels. For some of us, it really is, unfortunately, all about the money.

Kind regards, Louis and Theresa Brindle.