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DRAFT HOWARD DAVIS FARM (PARTIAL ABROGATION OF COVENANT) (JERSEY) LAW 200-(P.170/2006): COMMENTS

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When the Sub-Panel initially began the review, it was of the opinion that the land value was too low and represented a hidden subsidy to Jersey Dairy, as detailed in the comments of the Public Accounts Committee to P.68/2006 'Howard Davis Farm, Trinity: part of Fields 562, 827 and 828 – sale of land'.

During the course of its joint review into the dairy industry with the <u>Chief Minister</u> and the <u>Economic</u> <u>Development</u> Department it became apparent that the case for relocation was very genuine, and that this was the most important issue in the future of the dairy industry.

The Sub-Panel welcomes the decision of the <u>Treasury and Resources</u> Minister to lease rather than sell the site to Jersey Dairy.

The Sub-Panel also approves the decision that the area of the site that to be leased to Jersey Dairy will retain a covenant that will prohibit any other uses and that the other sections of the site will retain the protective covenant as it stands.

The Sub-Panel is therefore fully supportive of the partial abrogation of the covenant and the move of Jersey Dairy to Howard Davis Farm under a lease agreement.