



STATES OF JERSEY ORDER PAPER

Tuesday 23rd February 2016

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Taxation (Implementation) (International Tax Compliance) (Common Reporting Standard) (Amendment of Regulations) (Jersey) Order 2016. R&O.15/2016.
Minister for External Relations.

Animal Welfare (Temporary Licensing Exemptions) (Revocation) (Jersey) Order 2016. R&O.16/2016.
Minister for the Environment.

Diseases of Animals (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Jersey) Order 2016. R&O.17/2016.
Minister for the Environment.

Road Traffic (St. Peter) (Amendment No. 8) (Jersey) Order 2016. R&O.18/2016.
Minister for Infrastructure.

Road Traffic (Prohibition of Waiting) (Clearways) (Amendment No. 10) (Jersey) Order 2016. R&O.19/2016.
Minister for Infrastructure.

Misuse of Drugs (Miscellaneous Amendments) (No. 6) (Jersey) Order 2016. R&O.20/2016.
Minister for Health and Social Services.

Planning and Building (Fees) (Amendment) (Jersey) Order 2016. R&O.21/2016.
Minister for the Environment.

C. DOCUMENTS PRESENTED OR LAID

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Presented: 16th February 2016. Com.
Council of Ministers.

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Minister for Environment.

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Presented: 5th February 2016.
Chief Minister.

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Presented: 8th February 2016.
Minister for Home Affairs.



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Presented: 9th February 2016.
Minister for Infrastructure.

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Lodged: 16th February 2016.
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Lodged: 8th February 2016.
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Lodged: 17th February 2016.
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I. QUESTIONS

(a) – **Written Questions**
(attached)

1. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy J.M. Maçon of St. Saviour regarding the processing of Impairment Forms.
2. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier regarding the future hospital website.
3. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding laws adopted by the States Assembly but not in force.
4. The Minister for Infrastructure will table an answer to a question asked by the Deputy of Grouville regarding budgeting for the provision of the Eastern Cycle Network.



5. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by the Deputy of Grouville regarding the extension of freedom of information legislation to companies owned or controlled by the States.
6. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy R. Labey of St. Helier regarding the provision of local wholesale services by JT.
7. The Minister for Infrastructure will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding the allocation of States members' parking spaces.
8. The Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy R. Labey of St. Helier regarding the service provided by Condor Ferries.
9. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier regarding support provided to Jersey's digital industry.
10. The Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture, will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier regarding the regeneration of Fort Regent.
11. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier regarding underground car parking at the Esplanade.
12. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding allowances made to clients of Les Amis.
13. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding complaints made about telephone providers.
14. The Minister for Education will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy J.A. Hilton of St. Helier regarding the presence of asbestos in schools.
15. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the sites short-listed for the new hospital.
16. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the health charge proposed in the Medium Term Financial Plan.
17. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding household incomes.
18. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding potential reductions in retail gas tariffs.
19. The Minister for Housing will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding rental charges.
20. The Chairman of the Privileges and Procedures Committee will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding States members' car parking.



(b) – Oral Questions

(120 minutes)

1. Deputy K.C. Lewis of St. Saviour will ask the following question of the Minister for Infrastructure –

“Will the Minister explain whether he has invited expressions of interest for gardeners and cleaners when negotiations with the existing workforce are ongoing, and if so, why?”
2. The Connétable of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Infrastructure –

“Would the Minister set out his timetable for the introduction of a charge for waste disposal, assuming he is successful in his bid to have the ‘Bellozanne covenant’ declared spent and extinguished by the Royal Court?”
3. Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources –

“Will the Minister inform members how he proposes to fund the projected cost of the new Hospital and clearly account for the difference in costs of the five options under consideration?”
4. Deputy J.A. Martin of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Health and Social Services –

“Will the Minister advise whether any independent companies (such as Ipsos MORI) were consulted prior to the publication of the public consultation on the new site for Jersey’s Hospital in order to ensure that it contained no leading statements and all 4 options were presented totally without bias?”
5. The Deputy of Grouville will ask the following question of the Chairman of the Comité des Connétables –

“What does the Code of 1771 mean to the Connétables and what impact, if any, does it have on the way they carry out their duties?”
6. Deputy J.A. Hilton of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Chief Minister –

“Can the Chief Minister confirm that, when the Department for Infrastructure privatises aspects of its service provision, he will not increase the number of registered licenses currently granted to the companies awarded the contracts, and will he confirm that the employees of such companies will be subject to the five year residency rule?”
7. Deputy L.M.C. Doublet of St. Saviour will ask the following question of the Minister for Home Affairs –

“Can the Minister advise whether she will be allocating the necessary funding required to set up a Sexual Assault Referral Centre in Jersey and if not, why not?”
8. The Connétable of St. John will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources –

“Can the Minister advise what Vehicle Emission Duty is payable on a car with no engine, in other words just the physical structure and chassis?”



9. The Deputy of St. Ouen will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources –

“Is the Minister aware of a discrepancy between the annual pension statements issued to pensioners in receipt of a Social Security pension, which show a figure comprising pension entitlement over 53 weeks, there having been 53 Thursdays in 2015, and the pension actually received by most pensioners of 13 four-weekly payments, and advise whether pensioners will be taxed on the higher figure produced by calculating entitlement over 53 weeks?”

10. Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources –

“What impact assessment, if any, has been carried out to predict the effect on economic growth of the Council of Minister’s plans to increase taxes on middle earners to raise over £50 million per year and what official consideration, if any, has been given to raising taxes on the highest earners as at least a partial alternative?”

11. Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade will ask the following question of the Minister for Housing –

“Could the Minister provide figures on the average rental costs of residential accommodation per sector, including entitled, registered and per category (bedsit, 3 bedroom house, etcetera), and if not, why not, and what steps, if any, will she take to gather this information and make it publicly available?”

12. Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Health and Social Services –

“Could the Minister confirm whether he would be prepared to abide by a decision of a Parish Assembly to refuse to pass ownership of People’s Park to the States of Jersey for the new Hospital and if not, why not?”

13. Deputy J.A. Martin of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Infrastructure –

“Can the Minister explain the process for the compulsory purchase of People’s Park and advise whether planning permission would need to be obtained in the first instance and, if this was the case, whether this would make the land more valuable and, if so, by how much?”

14. Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade will ask the following question of the Minister for Social Security –

“Does the Minister accept that the current maximum accommodation components for Income Support are not adequate to meet typical weekly rental costs for properties in the private sector and, if so, what steps, if any, is she taking to resolve this issue?”

15. Deputy L.M.C. Doublet of St. Saviour will ask the following question of the Chief Minister –

“Can the Chief Minister advise whether any data is collected that could inform us whether there is a gender pay gap in Jersey?”



16. Deputy J.A. Hilton of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Health and Social Services –

“Can the Minister advise members how many of the current registered residential/nursing homes meet the regulatory standard laid down by the Department, and, with regard to those that do not, what plans, if any, are in place to replace them with ones which do, and can he further state whether there is currently enough choice in the private sector to satisfy public demand for nursing beds?”

17. The Connétable of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Chief Minister –

“Would the Chief Minister assure the States and the public that no public sector staff who have taken either voluntary redundancy or any other type of severance package have been, or will be, re-engaged or re-employed on a consultancy or contract basis by the States?”

18. Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Health and Social Services –

“Will the Minister advise what the vacancy rate is for nursing and midwifery and, if it is greater than 5%, provide an explanation as to why?”

(c) – Questions to Ministers without notice (30 minutes) –

1st question period – Minister for External Relations

2nd question period – Chief Minister

J. PERSONAL STATEMENTS

K. STATEMENTS ON A MATTER OF OFFICIAL RESPONSIBILITY

L. PUBLIC BUSINESS

People’s Park: removal from list of sites under consideration for future new hospital. P.3/2016.
Lodged: 19th January 2016.
Connétable of St. Helier.

People’s Park: removal from list of sites under consideration for future new hospital P.3/2016.
(P.3/2016) – comments. Com.
Presented: 16th February 2016.
Council of Ministers.

Concessionary bus fares for the disabled: discussions with LibertyBus. P.140/2015.
Lodged: 10th November 2015.
Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade.

Concessionary bus fares for the disabled: discussions with LibertyBus (P.140/2015) – P.140/2015.
amendment. Amd.
Lodged: 16th February 2016.
Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade.

Concessionary bus fares for the disabled: discussions with LibertyBus (P.140/2015) – P.140/2015.
comments. Com.
Presented: 14th December 2015.
Council of Ministers.



Draft Taxation (Implementation) (International Tax Compliance) (United States of America) (Amendment) (Jersey) Regulations 201-. P.160/2015.
Lodged: 24th December 2015.
Minister for External Relations.

Draft Taxation (Implementation) (International Tax Compliance) (United Kingdom) (Amendment) (Jersey) Regulations 201-. P.161/2015.
Lodged: 24th December 2015.
Minister for External Relations.

Draft Financial Regulation (Miscellaneous Provisions No. 3) (Jersey) Law 201-. P.162/2015.
Lodged: 24th December 2015.
Chief Minister.

Draft Dentistry (Jersey) Law 2015 (Appointed Day) Act 201-. P.2/2016.
Lodged: 12th January 2016.
Minister for Health and Social Services.

M. ARRANGEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

8th March 2016

Draft Children's Property and Tuteurs (Jersey) Law 201-. P.156/2015.
Lodged: 15th December 2015.
Chief Minister.

Draft Act annulling the Planning and Environment (2016 Fees) (Jersey) Order 2015. P.4/2016.
Lodged: 19th January 2016.
Deputy S.M. Wickenden of St. Helier.

Public Employees Contributory Retirement Scheme Committee of Management: P.8/2016.
membership.
Lodged: 8th February 2016.
Chief Minister.

22nd March 2016

Draft Commissioner for Standards (Jersey) Law 201-. P.120/2015.
Lodged: 15th October 2015.
Privileges and Procedures Committee.

La Collette Low Rise Development: direction to Andium Homes Ltd. P.139/2015.
Lodged: 9th November 2015.
Deputy R. Labey of St. Helier.

Draft EU Legislation (Veterinary Checks – Imports from Third Countries) (Jersey) Regulations 201-. P.5/2016.
Lodged: 29th January 2016.
Minister for the Environment.

Draft EU Legislation (Veterinary and Zootechnical Checks – Trade with Member States) (Jersey) Regulations 201-. P.6/2016.
Lodged: 29th January 2016.
Minister for the Environment.



Draft Aircraft (Registration) (Amendment) (Jersey) Law 201-.
Lodged: 2nd February 2016.
Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture.

P.7/2016.

Electronic voting.
Lodged: 17th February 2016.
Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier.

P.10/2016.

12th April 2016

26th April 2016

Draft Former La Motte Street School (Validation and Abrogation of Covenants)
(Jersey) Law 201-.
Lodged: 17th February 2016.
Minister for Infrastructure.

P.9/2016.

L.-M. HART
Deputy Greffier of the States

18th February 2016

Note –

In accordance with the meeting dates fixed for 2016 by the Privileges and Procedures Committee, this meeting will continue, if necessary, on Wednesday 24th and Thursday 25th February 2016.



Explanatory Note regarding subordinate legislation tabled at this meeting.

(See Item B)

R&O.14/2016.

This Order amends the EU Legislation (Sanctions – Libya) (Jersey) Order 2014 to implement Council Regulation (EU) 2016/44 of 18 January 2016 (OJ L 12, 19.1.2016, p. 1) concerning restrictive measures in view of the situation in Libya and repealing Regulation (EU) No 204/2011. The EU substituted a new Regulation because, in updating the Regulation, it took the opportunity to consolidate previous amendments, with re-numbering of previously added Articles. This Order therefore substitutes references to the new EU Regulation and updates the numbering in references to the Articles of that Regulation.

The Order was made on 8th February 2016 and came into force on 9th February 2016.

R&O.15/2016.

This Order updates the Schedules to the Taxation (Implementation) (International Tax Compliance) (Common Reporting Standard) (Jersey) Regulations 2015 concerning the dates for compliance with the requirements of the Common Reporting Standard “CRS” for the Automatic Exchange of Financial Account Information in Tax Matters as approved by the Council of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development. The effect of the amendments to the Schedules is to change the dates for compliance with the CRS requirements in respect of certain jurisdictions so that financial institutions in Jersey must comply with the CRS requirements in respect of specified accounts that meet certain criteria –

- (a) for the calendar year 2016 onwards in respect of accounts they maintain that are held by residents of Barbados, Bulgaria and Niue;
- (b) for the calendar year 2017 onwards in respect of accounts they maintain that are held by residents of Andorra, Antigua and Barbuda, Belize, People’s Republic of China, Cook Islands, Grenada, Japan, Malaysia, Marshall Islands, Monaco, Saint Lucia, Saint Vincent and the Grenadines, Samoa and Sint Maarten.

Under the international agreements giving effect to the CRS, corresponding requirements apply to financial institutions in these jurisdictions which maintain accounts held by Jersey residents.

The Order comes into force on the day after the day it is made.

The Order was made on 10th February 2016 and came into force on 11th February 2016.

R&O.16/2016.

This Order revokes the Animal Welfare (Temporary Licensing Exemptions) (Jersey) Order 2007. That Order is spent, as it made provision, on the commencement of the Animal Welfare (Jersey) Law 2004, for a transitional period that expired on 31st July 2007.

The Order was made on 12th February 2016 and came into force on 19th February 2016.



R&O.17/2016.

This Order amends the Miscellaneous Diseases of Animals (Jersey) Order 1991 –

- (a) to extend the definition “disease” (except to the extent that the Law applies to poultry) in the Diseases of Animals (Jersey) Law 1956 to include certain diseases that cause or are linked to viral equine encephalomyelitis and to apply the Foot-and-Mouth Disease (Jersey) Order 1958 to the diseases added, as that Order applies to foot-and-mouth disease; and
- (b) to correct an existing reference to epidemic haemorrhagic disease that should be a reference to epizootic haemorrhagic disease.

This Order further revokes 7 Orders made under the Diseases of Animals (Jersey) Law 1956, removing regulatory controls that are no longer considered necessary.

The Order was made on 12th February 2016 and came into force on 19th February 2016.

R&O.18/2016.

This Order amends the Road Traffic (St. Peter) (Jersey) Order 1992 to remove the references to La Route de Beaumont in Schedule 2 and Part 1 of Schedule 5 to that Order to remove the prohibition on waiting and the 15 minute parking zone on that road. The prohibition on waiting on La Route de Beaumont will now be provided by an amendment to the Road Traffic (Prohibition of Waiting) (Clearways) (Jersey) Order 1963. This Order comes into force 7 days after it is made.

The Order was made on 15th February 2016 and came into force on 22nd February 2016.

R&O.19/2016.

This Order amends the Road Traffic (Prohibition of Waiting) (Clearways) (Jersey) Order 1963 to extend the current clearway on La Route de Beaumont, between L’Avenue de la Reine Elizabeth II and La Route de la Haule. The effect is to cover the whole of that stretch of road on both sides, by including the eastern side of the southern end that is not currently a clearway.

The Order was made on 15th February 2016 and came into force on 22nd February 2016.

R&O.20/2016.

Article 1 of this Order adds to the list of drugs in Parts 1 and 2 of Schedule 2 to the Misuse of Drugs (Jersey) Law 1978 (the “Law”) which specifies drugs which are controlled as Class A or B drugs respectively under that Law.

Article 2 adds to the list of drugs in Part 1 of the Schedule to the Misuse of Drugs (Designation) (Jersey) Order 1989, which designates controlled drugs under the Law which are restricted from production, possession and use, and adds to the list in Part 2 of that Schedule a cannabis-based medicine which is excepted from Part 1 designation.

Article 3 adds to the lists of drugs that are Schedule 1 drugs, Schedule 2 drugs or Schedule 4 drugs under the Misuse of Drugs (General Provisions) (Jersey) Order 2009, which are subject to requirements concerning their supply on prescription and to be recorded in a register.

Article 4 gives the title to this Order and provides that it will come into force 7 days after it is made.

The Order was made on 17th February 2016 and comes into force on 24th February 2016.



R&O.21/2016.

This Order amends the table in Schedule 3 to the Planning and Building (Fees) (Jersey) Order 2008 to set out the fees that will apply from 1st March 2016 in respect of applications for various types of planning appeals. These fees replace those that were introduced by Article 2(5) of the Planning and Environment (2016 Fees) (Jersey) Order 2015 and which were effective from 1st January 2016. The fees applicable from 1st March 2016 are returned to the same amount as the appeal application fees that were initially set on 19th March 2015 under the Planning and Building (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Jersey) Order 2015 and which applied until 31st December 2015.

The Order was made on 18th February 2016 and comes into force on 1st March 2016.



WRITTEN QUESTIONS

(See Item I(a))

1. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy J.M. Maçon of St. Saviour –

- (a) “Is there a backlog in the processing of Impairment Forms within the department and, if so, why?
- (b) If there is a backlog, when will this be resolved and what action is being taken to deal with this issue?
- (c) How many people are currently affected by the backlog?
- (d) How is the department going to prevent backlogs from happening in future?”

2. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier –

“Could the Minister provide a breakdown of costs for the new www.futurehospital.je website, including branding, video recording, advertising and materials?”

3. The Chief Minister will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade –

“Which laws adopted by the States Assembly have not been repealed but –

- (a) are not in force; or
- (b) contain Articles or Parts which are not in force?

Can the Chief Minister provide the reasons for each such Law, Article or Part not having been brought into force and what plans, if any, does he have to ensure that each such Law, Article or Part is brought into force and what the timetable is in each case?

Which Regulations and Orders adopted by the States Assembly have not been repealed but are not in force; what are the reasons for each such instrument not having been brought into force; and what plans, if any, does the Chief Minister have to ensure that each such instrument is brought into force and what is the timetable in each case?

In each case, how long have the said laws and/or Articles not been in force?”

4. The Minister for Infrastructure will table an answer to the following question asked by the Deputy of Grouville –

“How much money has been budgeted for the provision of the Eastern Cycle Network?

Could the Minister detail –

- (a) the balance from the original sum of £500,000 that the States Assembly provided from the amendment to the 2010 budget (P.117/2009 Amd.(5));
- (b) how much has been collected through planning gain and the provision for the Eastern Cycle Network from developments which fall within the Eastern Cycle Network Corridor; and
- (c) how much, if any, was collected from The Willows development in Gorey Village and the Co-op development on Rue à Don?”



5. The Chief Minister will table an answer to the following question asked by the Deputy of Grouville –

“Following the adoption on 25th November 2014 of P.149/2014, ‘Freedom of Information: extension to companies owned or controlled by the States’, could the Chief Minister provide an update on the progress made to date, including reference to the application of the Freedom of Information Law to wholly-owned States companies and those companies where the States has a controlling interest?”

Given that the Chief Minister was requested to bring forward legislation to give effect to the proposal and to report back within 6 months (by June 2015) on investigations into the feasibility of further extending the scope of the Law to entities that receive their majority funding from the States, what progress has been made and when can the Assembly expect to receive the feasibility report?”

6. The Chief Minister will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy R. Labey of St. Helier –

“Can the Chief Minister detail what actions, if any, have been undertaken and what directions have been issued to the Jersey Competition and Regulatory Authorities and the JT Board and/or the executive management of JT to ensure that JT is mandated to provide local wholesale services?”

Furthermore, given that, in 2009, international consultants Regulaid advised that the Jersey Competition Regulatory Authority should require JT to provide wholesale services to other local telecommunications licensed operators (OLTLOs), will the Minister explain why wholesale line rental, in particular broadband services, is not available to OLTLOs and what action, if any, he proposes to take to resolve this?”

7. The Minister for Infrastructure will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade –

Will the Minister advise –

- (a) how many allocated ‘No Public Parking’ spaces are allocated to States members in Sand Street and Pier Road;
- (b) how many parking permits are currently issued to States members for parking in those car parks?

8. The Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy R. Labey of St. Helier –

“Can the Minister advise what action, if any, he will be taking to ensure that Condor resolves the following issues –

- (a) how frequently Condor cancels travel bookings to Jersey at short notice;
- (b) how frequently clients are unable to contact the company by telephone to change bookings;
- (c) the disruption caused by altered travel arrangements which often oblige Condor clients to travel to a different point of departure from the one anticipated and involve early morning crossings which require an overnight stay in a hotel; and,



(d) the frequent rejection of customer compensation claims towards hotel costs, citing EU Passenger Rights Regulation 1177/2010 (that the relevant circumstances causing the cancellation were beyond the company's control)?"

9. The Chief Minister will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier –

“Following the commitment in the Strategic Plan to support Jersey’s digital industry what efforts, if any, are being made to ensure that local digital businesses are prioritised above UK firms when States contracts for the implementation of eGovernment are awarded?”

10. The Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier –

“What progress, if any, has been made towards pursuing the proposals to regenerate and improve the usage of Fort Regent outlined in the report, ‘Rediscovering Fort Regent: A vision for the future’, published on 12th September 2014?”

11. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier –

“What is the current timescale for the completion of the underground carpark at the Esplanade as part of the International Finance Centre development? Does this timescale affect the viability of Option D, the Waterfront, as a possible site for the new hospital, given the necessary loss of the current replacement carpark on the Waterfront as the development takes place?”

12. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade –

“Can the Minister advise –

- (a) the circumstances of any reduction in allowances made to clients of Les Amis;
- (b) the number of clients of Les Amis who have seen a reduction in their allowances, and by how much;
- (c) what changes, if any, have taken place in the funding arrangements between the States and Les Amis; and
- (d) whether these changes are consistent with the goal listed in the current strategic plan of ‘protecting the interests of the frail and the vulnerable’, and if so, how?”



13. The Chief Minister will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade –

- (a) “How many complaints have been made to –
- (i) the Channel Islands Competition Regulatory Authorities/the Jersey Competition Regulatory Authority;
 - (ii) the Minister;
 - (iii) Trading Standards; and
 - (iv) the Consumer Council;

regarding telecoms providers in the past two years (2014 to 2015)?

- (b) What protection, if any, is in place to prevent mobile telephone providers from ceasing special offers, such as free/discounted roaming, during the term of a contract, especially if that offer was used to encourage clients to sign up to a minimum term?
- (c) Is the Minister made aware of any such complaints as detailed above, and will he list what action, if any, is being taken to examine whether such a problem exists, and, if so, the extent of the problem?”

14. The Minister for Education will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy J.A. Hilton of St. Helier –

- (a) “Can the Minister confirm that all staff are informed of the presence of asbestos in their schools during their induction?
- (b) Given that recent communications stated that ‘policies and procedures do recognize that we have a duty of care to inform staff that there is asbestos containing material in some of our buildings and how they are managed’, and that, ‘If there is a request from the staff as to the exact location of the asbestos the site team highlight these areas using the survey plans’, can the Minister advise whether staff are only made aware of the location of asbestos in their schools if they specifically ask?
- (c) Are those schools which have asbestos subject to regular fibre monitoring?
- (d) Can the Minister advise why the Education Department has not made a commitment to remove asbestos from schools in a phased, controlled way, given that, in October 2015, the All-Party Parliamentary Group in Occupational Safety and Health stated that ‘the time has come to put in place regulations requiring the safe, phased and planned removal of all asbestos that still remains in place across Britain’ and recommended that this should happen in schools by 2028?”

15. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

“Will the Minister give a breakdown of the projected costs for each of the 5 sites short listed for the new hospital clearly separating out the direct building costs from extraneous site costs attached to each site, such as –

- (a) the compensatory land costs in option E;
- (b) the opportunity cost of not building housing/office space;
- (c) the replacement of Jardins de la Mer in option D; and
- (d) the cost of parking provision in each option?



Will he further explain why no mention is made in the website summary page of the 'protected open space' status of People's Park in the Island Plan?

Will he also explain the differences between 'good' and 'very good' clinical adjacency and 'reasonable' and 'good' future flexibility in options D & E?

Will he indicate what the 'risk' identified with the compensatory sites in Option E is?

Will he also give an assessment of the risk of indefinite delay attached to continued opposition to Option E, should it prove necessary to pursue compulsory purchase in respect of People's Park?"

16. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

"Will the Minister update members on what progress has been made in determining the scope and structure of the 'health charge' proposed in the Medium Term Financial Plan?

How many meetings have taken place with the relevant Ministers to discuss the new charge and when can the Assembly expect proposals to go out to consultation?

To what extent, if any, will the charge involve changes to the funding of General Practitioner and dental services and the re-introduction of prescription charges?"

17. The Chief Minister will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

"In order to better understand the impact of the recession on the economy in comparison with other countries, will the Chief Minister publish the data contained in the Income Distribution Survey on household incomes by decile along with the 90/10 income ratio and the ratio of average earnings between the top and bottom deciles, and if not, why not?"

18. The Chief Minister will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

"Will the Chief Minister inform members what discussions/negotiations, if any, have taken place between the Channel Islands Competition Regulatory Authority officials and Jersey Gas over potential reductions in retail gas tariffs to reflect those in the UK?

Will he further inform members when he expects to be able to report any progress on this issue to the States, and if not, why not?"

19. The Minister for Housing will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

"Following an exchange of emails on the subject between the Minister for Social Security and States members on the topic, will the Minister inform members why Andium Homes cannot publish clear figures for the rents it charges to new tenants by category?

Will the Minister also clearly set out what policy or policies are being followed for rental charges?"



20. The Chairman of the Privileges and Procedures Committee will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade –

“Can the Chairman advise –

- (a) how many States members’ car parking spaces have been removed from Snow Hill and whether any consideration has been given to compensating for those spaces elsewhere, and if not, why not;
- (b) whether consideration has been given to harmonising the ‘overflow’ provisions for States members’ parking, given that, if all spaces are taken at Pier Road, permit holders are permitted to park on any floor except the lower ground floor, whereas, at Sand Street, in the event that all the spaces are taken, members either have to park upstairs and pay for parking or drive to Pier Road; and
- (c) whether PPC supports the continued provision of States members’ parking and if so, why, and if not, why not?”



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