STATES OF JERSEY



PROPOSED GOVERNMENT PLAN 2022-2025 (P.90/2021): TENTH AMENDMENT (P.90/2021 AMD.(10)) – AMENDMENT

PIQUET HOUSE

Lodged au Greffe on 7th December 2021 by the Minister for Infrastructure

STATES GREFFE

2021 P.90 Amd.(10) Amd.

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1 PAGE 2, PART 1

Delete Part 1

2 PAGE 2, PART 2

For the words "be increased by" substitute the words "include, as part of the existing allocation," and after the words "feasibility study of" insert the words "appropriate sites including".

COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

Note: After this amendment, the 10th amendment would read as follows –

2 PAGE 2, PARAGRAPH (f) –

After the words "Appendix 2 – Summary Tables 5(i) and (ii) of the Report" insert the words—

", except that, in Summary Table 5(ii) – 2022 Revenue Heads of Expenditure, the Head of Expenditure for Central Planning Reserves shall include, as part of the existing allocation, £100,000 to allow for a feasibility study of appropriate sites including Piquet House for States Members office space;

Note: After this amendment, the proposition would read as follows –

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

to receive the Government Plan 2022-2025 specified in Article 9(1) of the Public Finances (Jersey) Law 2019 ("the Law") and specifically

a. to approve the estimate of total States income to be paid into the Consolidated Fund in 2022 as set out in Appendix 2- Summary Table 1 to the Report, which is inclusive of the

proposed taxation and impôts duties changes outlined in the Government Plan, in line with Article 9(2)(a) of the Law;

b. to approve the Changes to Approval for financing/borrowing for 2022, as shown in Appendix 2 – Summary Table 3 to the Report, which may be obtained by the Minister for Treasury and Resources, as and when required, in line with Article 9 (2)(c) of the Law, of up to those revised approvals;

c. to approve the transfers from one States fund to another for 2022 of up to and including the amounts set in Appendix 2 – Summary table 2 to the Report, noting that the transfer from the Consolidated Fund to the Technology Fund is subject to the Assembly's approval of a proposition to create such a Fund in 2022, in line with Article 9(2)(b) of the Law;

d. to approve each major project that is to be started or continued in 2022 and the total cost of each such project and any amendments to the proposed total cost of a major project under a previously approved Government Plan, in line with Article 9(2)(d), (e) and (f) of the Law and as set out in Appendix 2 - Summary Table 4 to the Report;

e. to endorse the efficiencies and other re-balancing measures for 2022 contained in the Government Plan as set out in Appendix 2 Summary Table 6 and reflected within each gross head of expenditure in Appendix 2 – Summary Table 5(i):

f. to approve the proposed amount to be appropriated from the Consolidated Fund for 2022, for each head of expenditure, being gross expenditure less estimated income (if any), in line with Articles 9(2)(g), 10(1) and 10(2) of the Law, and set out in Appendix 2 – Summary Tables 5(i) and (ii) of the Report except that, in Summary Table 5(ii) – 2022 Revenue Heads of Expenditure, the Head of Expenditure for Central Planning Reserves shall include, as part of the existing allocation, £100,000 to allow for a feasibility study of appropriate sites including Piquet House for States Members office space;

g. to approve up to £480 million to be appropriated from the Consolidated Fund for the Past Service Pension Liabilities Refinancing head of expenditure, subject to the availability of funding, which may include, in full or in part, use of the borrowing/financing referred in paragraph (b);

h. to approve the estimated income, being estimated gross income less expenditure, that each States trading operation will pay into its trading fund in 2022 in line with Article 9(2)(h) of the Law and set out in Appendix 2 – Summary Table 7 to the Report;

i. to approve the proposed amount to be appropriated from each States trading operation's trading fund for 2022 for each head of expenditure in line with Article 9(2)(i) of the Law and set out in Appendix 2 – Summary Table 8 to the Report;

j. to approve the estimated income and expenditure proposals for the Climate Emergency Fund for 2022 as set out in Appendix 2 – Summary Table 9 to the Report;

k. to approve an amendment to the policy of the Strategic Reserve Fund to enable that Fund to be used as a holding Fund for any or all monies related to the repayment of debt raised through external financing, with the monies used to offset the repayment of debt, as and when required; and l. to approve, in accordance with Article 9(1) of the Law, the Government Plan 2022-2025, as set out at Appendix 3 to the Report. l.

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REPORT

The Minister for Infrastructure and the Council of Ministers is supportive of the amendment lodged by the Privileges and Procedures Committee to progress with a project to provide Members with dedicated office space.

The purpose of this amendment is to ensure that all appropriate sites with the potential to provide dedicated office space for States Members will be included in the feasibility study.

The Central Planning Reserves has sufficient funds to provide funding up to £100,000 for the feasibility study. Funding already exists in the Central Planning Reserve in 2021 for "Piquet House - Family Court" and on the basis that the Assembly approve this amendment the Minister for Treasury and Resources will agree to transfer these funds from 2021 to 2022 for this purpose. This amendment therefore achieves the aim of the original amendment whilst providing funding from within existing resources.

Financial and manpower implications

As a source of funding has been identified this amendment does not impact on overall expenditure or borrowing from the Consolidated Fund, however it does reduce the allocation to the proposed Technology Fund.

As amended the costs are proposed to be absorbed within existing allocations.

This amendment would not increase the financial or manpower implications for the feasibility study outlined in the amendment lodged by the Privileges and Procedures Committee.