

STATES OF JERSEY



PROPOSED GOVERNMENT PLAN 2022- 2025 (P.90/2021): NINETEENTH AMENDMENT (P.90/2021 AMD.(19)) – AMENDMENT

**Lodged au Greffe on 6th December 2021
by the Children, Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel**

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1 PAGE 2, PART 1 –

For the words “Strategic Policy, Planning and Performance” substitute the words “the Covid-19 Response”

CHILDREN, EDUCATION AND HOME AFFAIRS SCRUTINY PANEL

Note: After this amendment, the 19th amendment would read as follows –

1 PAGE 2, PARAGRAPH f –

After the words “set out in Appendix 2 – Summary Tables 5(i) and (ii) of the Report insert the words –

“except that, in Summary Table 5(i) – 2022 Revenue Heads of Expenditure, the Head of Expenditure for Children, Young People, Education and Skills shall be increased by £330,000 and the Head of Expenditure for **the Covid-19 Response** shall be reduced by £330,000 in order for funding identified to support Early Years within the Covid Health and Social Recovery Project to be placed within the base departmental budget for Children, Young People, Education and Skills.”.

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(i) – 2022 Revenue Heads of Expenditure, the Head of Expenditure for Children, Young People, Education and Skills shall be increased by £330,000 and the Head of Expenditure for the Covid-19 Response shall be reduced by £330,000 in order for funding identified to support Early Years within the Covid Health and Social Recovery Project to be placed within the base departmental budget for Children, Young People, Education and Skills;**
- 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

REPORT

This amendment is required as a correction to the Panel's original amendment. The Panel had previously identified that the funding of £330,000 relating to the Covid-19 Health and Social Recovery fund (which has been allocated to the Best Start Partnership in respect of its work), sat within the Heads of Expenditure for Strategic Policy, Planning and Performance. This has been confirmed as being incorrect and the funding sits within the separate Heads of Expenditure for the Covid-19 Response. This amendment, therefore, corrects the original error and requests that the funding is allocated from the Heads of Expenditure for the Covid-19 Response to the Heads of Expenditure for Children, Young People, Education and Skills (CYPES).

Financial and manpower implications

The financial implications of this amendment are that £330,000 is transferred from the Heads of Expenditure for the Covid-19 Response to the Heads of Expenditure for CYPES. This would not impact the deliverability of any project as the funding would be used for the same purposes. Ultimately it would formalise accountability for the funding to the Accountable Officer for CYPES and ensure the funding was placed within the departmental base budget on a recurring basis from 2023.

Re-issue Note

This project has been re-issued to fix a typographical error, substituting 'Part 1' for 'Paragraph f' and including the note on how the 19th amendment would read after this amendment.
