



STATES OF JERSEY ORDER PAPER

14th FEBRUARY 2017

SUMMARY

- 9.30 a.m. Communications by the Presiding Officer and other announcements
Appointments, matters of privilege, petitions (if any)
- Approx. 9.40 a.m. Summary of written questions
- Up to 2 hours Oral questions with notice
Urgent questions (if any)
- Up to 30 minutes, divided between the two Ministers Oral questions without notice:
- Minister for Infrastructure
 - Minister for the Environment
- Statements (if any)*
- Approx. 12.10 p.m. **Minister for Education: vote of censure (P.6/2017)**
- Draft Bank (Recovery and Resolution) (Jersey) Law 201-** (P.134/2016)
- Draft The Law Society of Jersey (Amendment No. 4) Law 201-** (P.136/2016)
- Draft States of Jersey Police Force (Chief Officer and Deputy Chief Officer) (Jersey) Regulations 201-** (P.139/2016)
- Draft States of Jersey Police Force (Police Negotiating Board) (Jersey) Regulations 201-** (P.140/2016)
- Senators and Deputies: candidates' qualifications (P.1/2017)**
- Brexit Report: steps taken by the Government of Jersey before Notification by the Government of the United Kingdom under Article 50 of the UK's intention to withdraw from the EU (P.7/2017)**
- Note: The Minister for External Relations has given notice of his intention, in accordance with Standing Order 26(7), to request the States to reduce the minimum lodging period in respect of this matter so that it may be considered at the present meeting.*
- Arrangement of public business at subsequent sittings

Lunch adjournment likely around 12.45 p.m., until 2.15 p.m.

If business is not completed by around 5.30 p.m. the Assembly usually adjourns for the evening and will resume its meeting at 9.30 a.m. on Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th February 2017 if necessary.



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CONSOLIDATED

A. COMMUNICATIONS BY THE PRESIDING OFFICER

B. TABLING OF SUBORDINATE ENACTMENTS

(Explanatory note attached)

Road Traffic (Public Parking Places – Charges) (Amendment) (Jersey) Order 2017. R&O.18/2017.
Minister for Infrastructure.

Sea Fisheries (Bag Limits) (Amendment) (Jersey) Order 2017. R&O.19/2017.
Minister for the Environment.

Taxation (Double Taxation) (Date in Force (Seychelles)) (Jersey) Order 2017. R&O.20/2017.
Minister for External Relations.

Taxation (Exchange of Information with Third Countries) (Date in Force (Austria, Korea, Poland, Romania)) (Jersey) Order 2017. R&O.21/2017.
Minister for External Relations.

* Road Traffic (St. John) (Amendment No. 8) (Jersey) Order 2017. R&O.22/2017.
Minister for Infrastructure.

C. DOCUMENTS PRESENTED

* Minister for Education: vote of censure (P.6/2017) – comments. P.6/2017.
Presented: 13th February 2017, *Minister for Education.* Com.

Land Transactions under Standing Order 168(3) – Apartment No. 4, Block B, Les Quennevais Park – Transfer of the Public’s flying-freehold ownership and cancellation of existing 99-year lease. R.13/2017.
Presented: 7th February 2017, *Minister for Infrastructure.*

Jersey Advisory and Conciliation Service: Annual Report 2016. R.14/2017.
Presented: 8th February 2017, *Minister for Social Security.*

Jersey Competition Regulatory Authority: appointment of Non-Executive Director. R.15/2017.
Presented: 9th February 2017, *Chief Minister.* (re-issue)

States Members’ Remuneration from 2018: Recommendations of the States Members’ Remuneration Review Body. R.16/2017.
Presented: 9th February 2017, *Privileges and Procedures Committee.*

Private Patient Income: Health and Social Services Department Follow-up. R.17/2017.
Presented: 9th February 2017, *Comptroller and Auditor General.*

Prison Board of Visitors: Chairman’s Report 2016. R.18/2017.
Presented: 10th February 2017, *Minister for Home Affairs.*

* Rural Economy Strategy 2017–2021: Towards Sustainable Farming. R.19/2017.
Presented: 14th February 2017, *Minister for the Environment.*



Draft Budget 2017 (S.R.8/2016): response of the Minister for Treasury and Resources. S.R.8/2016.
Presented: 8th February 2017, *Minister for Treasury and Resources.* Res.

D. NOTIFICATION OF LODGED PROPOSITIONS

- * States of Jersey Complaints Panel: re-appointment of members. P.8/2017.
Lodged: 14th February 2017, *Privileges and Procedures Committee.*
- * Concessionary busfares for the disabled: costs to be met by the States. P.9/2017.
Lodged: 14th February 2017, *Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade.*

E. WITHDRAWAL OF LODGED PROPOSITIONS

In accordance with Standing Order 34(1), the proposers of the following propositions lodged 'au Greffe' have informed the Greffier of the States that they are to be withdrawn –

- * Draft Employment of States of Jersey Employees (Amendment No. 8) (Jersey) P.105/2016.
Regulations 201-.
Lodged: 5th October 2016, *States Employment Board.*
- Draft Employment of States of Jersey Employees (Amendment No. 8) (Jersey) P.105/2016.
Regulations 201- (P.105/2016): amendment. Amd.
Lodged: 23rd December 2016, *States Employment Board.*
- * Draft Employment of States of Jersey Employees (Amendment No. 8) (Jersey) P.105/2016.
Regulations 201- (P.105/2016): second amendment. Amd.(2)
Lodged: 31st January 2017, *States Employment Board.*

F. APPOINTMENT OF MINISTERS, COMMITTEES AND PANELS

G. MATTERS OF PRIVILEGE

H. PETITIONS

I. QUESTIONS

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

- 1(99) 1. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy J.A. Martin of St. Helier regarding the portfolio of Assistant Chief Minister, Senator P.F. Routier M.B.E.
- 1(104) 2. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding reviews undertaken in respect of the Jersey Innovation Fund.
- 1(105) 3. The Minister for the Environment will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding the development of a renewable energy strategy for Jersey.
- 1(106) 4. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier regarding the decision of JT to invest in the Energous Coporation.



- 1(107) 5. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier regarding concerns raised, or complaints made, about the negative social contribution of High Value Residents.
- 1(108) 6. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier regarding blood donation by gay men.
- 1(109) 7. 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' declarations of interest in respect of investment holding companies.
- 1(110) 8. The Minister for the Treasury and Resources will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding the exemption of home-care agencies from the Goods and Services Tax.
- 1(111) 9. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the decision of JT to introduce a surcharge on postal billing and payment by cheque.
- 1(112) 10. The Minister for the Environment will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding air quality in the Tunnel.
- 1(113) 11. The Minister Social Security will table an answer to a question asked by the Deputy of St. John regarding the impact of policy changes within Income Support.
- 1(114) 12. The Minister Social Security will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the impact of reduced payments of Income Support.
- 1(115) 13. The Minister for Education will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding newly qualified teachers' salaries.
- 1(116) 14. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the publication of decisions by the Housing and Work Advisory Group.
- 1(117) 15. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding his role and that of the Minister for Health and Social Services at a meeting at which it was decided to break the contract with Mr. Alwitry.
- 1(118) 16. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding the status of the zero-ten tax policy following Brexit.
- 1(119) 17. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding the role of the zero-ten tax policy and measures to ensure Jersey's tax neutrality.
- 1(120) 18. The Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding the production of statistics in respect of visitor numbers to Jersey.



(b) – Oral Questions

(120 minutes)

- 1(126) 1. Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Social Security –
- “What is the Minister’s assessment of the impact the freeze on Income Support basic component levels since October 2009 has had on the living standards and disposable incomes of those poorest households which are dependent on benefits to meet their day-to-day living costs; and what measures, if any, does the Minister have under consideration to help improve living standards for those in relative low income?”
- 1(129) 2. Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for External Relations –
- “Will the Minister advise whether the recent recruitment of a Brexit ‘public relations officer’ was overseen in any way by an external body; whether it was subject to a competitive interview; how many candidates applied; and how many were interviewed for the job?”
- 1(128) 3. Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade will ask the following question of the Chief Minister –
- “Given that Senator Ozouf was not the only Minister to have signed off loans from the Jersey Innovation Fund, will the Chief Minister also be asking Senators Farnham and Maclean to ‘step aside’ from their Ministerial duties until the relevant investigation has fully reported back?”
- 1(101) 4. Deputy J.M. Maçon of St. Saviour will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources –
- “As shareholder representative of JT, will the Minister advise what his assessment is of the appropriateness of JT deciding to introduce charges for receiving a paper bill and for non-direct debit payment services; and, in doing so, will he further advise whether such charges are likely to affect disproportionately the more elderly members of the community?”
- 1(121) 5. The Deputy of St. John will ask the following question of the Minister for Education –
- “Given his answer to a written question on 30th January 2017, that funding to cover the shortfall created by not achieving the M.T.F.P. saving for the Nursery Education Fund will be met through carry forwards, will the Minister explain what certainty there is that this money will be available for the 2017/18 academic year and advise exactly from which budgets these carry forwards will come?”
- 1(130) 6. Deputy A.D. Lewis of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Education –
- “Given that States-run and private sector nursery education providers operate on different supervision ratios, and the relative impact on costs to private sector providers that this situation entails, what will the Minister do, if anything, to place all provision on an equal footing in respect of such ratios and thereby mitigate the risk of a reduction in local nursery places caused by private nurseries ceasing to operate?”
- 1(122) 7. Senator S.C. Ferguson will ask the following question of the Chief Minister –
- “Further to the answer given on 30th January 2017, for those people – and in particular pensioners – who have no access to a computer or the internet, what specific steps will the Council of Ministers take to make Gazette items available once they are no longer printed in the Jersey Evening Post?”



- 1(100) 8. Deputy J.A. Martin of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Chief Minister –
“When will the Interim Population Policy be replaced by a permanent population policy?”
- 1(102) 9. The Connétable of St. John will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources –
“Will the Minister advise what action, if any, he will take to ensure any charges levied by JT for customers to receive a paper bill or to pay by cheque do not discriminate against elderly people who are not computer literate?”
- 1(133) 10. Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Social Security –
“What financial support, if any, is available to 18 to 25 year old persons who live with their parents and who have a diagnosed mental illness that prevents them from becoming financially independent through work; have not made any Social Security contributions; and do not qualify for one of the higher levels of personal care award?”
- 1(135) 11. Deputy K.C. Lewis of St. Saviour will ask the following question of the Chief Minister –
“Further to media reports that an estimated five thousand people are struggling with basic expenses, will the Chief Minister be providing more assistance to community banks?”
- 1(103) 12. The Connétable of St. John will ask the following question of the Minister for the Environment –
“Will the Minister inform the Assembly what legal authority allows the Department to demand a ‘development levy’ on developments and will he advise how the levy is calculated?”
- 1(134) 13. Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Housing –
“What measures, if any, is the Minister going to take to prevent letting agents from charging extortionate fees to tenants who either wish to end their tenancy early or to assign the remainder of their tenancy to another tenant?”
- 1(127) 14. Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Chief Minister –
“Given the refusal of the majority of public sector unions to engage with the States Employment Board over modernisation until their outstanding pay claim is settled, what measures, if any, does the Chief Minister have under consideration in order to meet his targets of delivering £70 million in ‘people savings’ and of re-establishing a partnership approach with public sector representatives?”
- 1(125) 15. The Deputy of St. John will ask the following question of the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture –
“Given that the recently published Business Tendency Survey identified a trend of continuing increases in input costs for businesses across all sectors, will the Minister advise what work, if any, he or his Department have undertaken to identify what these increased costs are largely caused by; and whether, through this work, he has found any evidence that the Government are creating additional costs to business?”



1(123) 16. Senator S.C. Ferguson will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources –

“Aside from JT, will the Minister advise whether other utilities in which the States has a stake provide a discount on bills paid by direct debit, rather than charging for a paper bill; and will the Minister be requiring JT to provide the financial justification for its stance on charging for paper bills and bills paid by cheque or cash?”

1(131) 17. Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier will ask the following question of H.M. Attorney General –

“Will H.M. Attorney General advise members what actions, if any, would be taken against a States Department that brought criminal charges against Jersey residents in the Magistrate’s Court without his Department’s knowledge, consent or assistance?”

1(132) 18. Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade will ask the following question of the Minister for Infrastructure –

“What plans, if any, does the Minister have to start charging for the issuing of bus passes to senior citizens?”

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

1st question period – Minister for Infrastructure

2nd question period – Minister for the Environment

J. PERSONAL STATEMENTS

K. STATEMENTS ON A MATTER OF OFFICIAL RESPONSIBILITY

L. PUBLIC BUSINESS

Minister for Education: vote of censure. P.6/2017.
Lodged: 31st January 2017, *Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier.*

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Presented: 13th February 2017, *Minister for Education.* Com.

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Lodged: 20th December 2016, *Chief Minister.*

Draft The Law Society of Jersey (Amendment No. 4) Law 201-. P.136/2016.
Lodged: 20th December 2016, *Chief Minister.*

Draft States of Jersey Police Force (Chief Officer and Deputy Chief Officer) (Jersey) Regulations 201-. P.139/2016.
Lodged: 30th December 2016, *Minister for Home Affairs.*

Draft States of Jersey Police Force (Police Negotiating Board) (Jersey) Regulations 201-. P.140/2016.
Lodged: 30th December 2016, *Minister for Home Affairs.*

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Brexit Report: steps taken by the Government of Jersey before Notification by the Government of the United Kingdom under Article 50 of the UK's intention to withdraw from the EU. P.7/2017.

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M. ARRANGEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

14th March 2017

* **Television Licence Fee: exemption for Jersey residents aged 75 and over.** P.117/2016.
Lodged: 4th November 2016, *Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade*.

Funding for Family Nursing and Home Care services – petition. P.122/2016.
Lodged: 15th November 2016, *Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier*.

Draft Criminal Justice (Compensation Orders) (Amendment No. 3) (Jersey) Law 201-. P.2/2017.
Lodged: 10th January 2017, *Chief Minister*.

Draft Water Pollution (Amendment No. 3) (Jersey) Law 201-. P.3/2017.
Lodged: 24th January 2017, *Minister for the Environment*.

Draft Referendum (Jersey) Law 201-. P.4/2017.
Lodged: 31st January 2017, *Privileges and Procedures Committee*.

Draft Income Support (Amendment No. 2) (Jersey) Law 201-. P.5/2017.
Lodged: 31st January 2017, *Minister for Social Security*.

* **States of Jersey Complaints Panel: re-appointment of members.** P.8/2017.
Lodged: 14th February 2017, *Privileges and Procedures Committee*.

* **Concessionary busfares for the disabled: costs to be met by the States.** P.9/2017.
Lodged: 14th February 2017, *Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade*.

18th April 2017

Future Hospital Funding Strategy (as amended) P.130/2016.
Lodged: 30th November 2016, *Minister for Treasury and Resources*.

Draft Bank Depositors Compensation (Jersey) Law 201-. P.135/2016.
Lodged: 20th December 2016, *Chief Minister*.



20th June 2017

Millennium Town Park: additional open space and public parking.
Lodged: 22nd November 2016, *Connétable of St. Helier*.

P.123/2016.

L.-M. HART
Deputy Greffier of the States

13th February 2017

Note –

In accordance with the meeting dates fixed for 2017 by the Privileges and Procedures Committee, this meeting will continue, if necessary, on Wednesday 15th and Thursday 16th February 2017.

An asterisk * in the left-hand margin denotes either a new item added to this Order Paper since the Order Paper was first published on 9th February 2017, or an item which has been altered or moved.



Explanatory Note regarding subordinate legislation tabled at this meeting.

(See Item B)

R&O.22/2017.

Road Traffic (St. John) (Amendment No. 8) (Jersey) Order 2017.

This Order extends the prohibition on the waiting of vehicles on parts of La Route du Mont Mado in the parish of St. John.

The Order was made on 13th February 2017 and comes into force on 20th February 2017.