



STATES OF JERSEY ORDER PAPER

Tuesday 28th April 2015

A. COMMUNICATIONS BY THE PRESIDING OFFICER

B. TABLING OF SUBORDINATE ENACTMENTS

(Explanatory note attached)

Road Traffic (St. Helier) (Amendment No. 30) (Jersey) Order 2015. R&O.43/2015.
Minister for Transport and Technical Services.

Road Traffic (Public Parking Places) (Amendment No. 10) (Jersey) Order 2015. R&O.44/2015.
Minister for Transport and Technical Services.

Planning and Building (Planning Applications Committee – Proceedings) (Jersey) Order 2015. R&O.45/2015.
Minister for Planning and Environment.

C. DOCUMENTS PRESENTED OR LAID

Resources Statement to the Draft Strategic Plan 2015 – 2018 (P.27/2015) – including IFG report on Income Forecasts (March 2015). P.27/2015.
Presented: 23rd April 2015. Add.
Council of Ministers.

Land Transactions under Standing Order 168(3) – R.42/2015.
(a) Marine Leisure Business Park Unit 5 LC29, La Rue Gosset, La Collette, St. Helier – lease;
(b) SA21, St. Aubin's Harbour WC Block – licence;
(c) Noir Côtill, La Moye, St. Brelade – lease.
Presented: 16th April 2015.
Minister for Treasury and Resources.

Land Transactions under Standing Order 168(3) – R.43/2015.
(a) Les Creux Bowls Club, La Moye, St. Brelade – lease;
(b) Jersey Croquet Club, Les Quennevais Sports Complex, Les Quennevais, St. Brelade – lease.
Presented: 22nd April 2015.
Minister for Treasury and Resources.

States of Jersey Law 2005: delegation of functions – Treasury and Resources – revised delegations April 2015. R.44/2015.
Presented: 24th April 2015.
Minister for Treasury and Resources.

D. NOTIFICATION OF LODGED PROPOSITIONS

Draft Air and Sea Ports (Incorporation) (Jersey) Law 201- (P.5/2015): amendment. P.5/2015.
Lodged: 16th April 2015. Amd.
Chief Minister.



Draft Strategic Plan 2015 – 2018 (P.27/2015): fifth amendment (P.27/2015 Amd.(5)) – amendment. Lodged: 21st April 2015. <i>Council of Ministers.</i>	P.27/2015. Amd.(5) Amd.
Draft Strategic Plan 2015 – 2018 (P.27/2015): seventh amendment (P.27/2015 Amd.(7)) – amendment. Lodged: 21st April 2015. <i>Council of Ministers.</i>	P.27/2015. Amd.(7) Amd.
Draft Strategic Plan 2015 – 2018 (P.27/2015): ninth amendment (P.27/2015 Amd.(9)) – amendment. Lodged: 21st April 2015. <i>Council of Ministers.</i>	P.27/2015. Amd.(9) Amd.
Draft Strategic Plan 2015 – 2018 (P.27/2015): eleventh amendment (P.27/2015 Amd.(11)) – amendment. Lodged: 21st April 2015. <i>Council of Ministers.</i>	P.27/2015. Amd.(11) Amd.
States Assembly: filming proceedings and the installation of clocks. Lodged: 16th April 2015. <i>Privileges and Procedures Committee.</i>	P.39/2015.
Draft Discrimination (Sex and Related Characteristics) (Jersey) Regulations 201-. Lodged: 21st April 2015. <i>Minister for Social Security.</i>	P.40/2015.
Draft Employment (Amendment of Law) (Jersey) Regulations 201-. Lodged: 21st April 2015. <i>Minister for Social Security.</i>	P.41/2015.
Draft Public Finances (Amendment of Law No. 2) (Jersey) Regulations 201-. Lodged: 21st April 2015. <i>Minister for Treasury and Resources.</i>	P.42/2015.
Draft Criminal Procedure (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Jersey) Law 201-. Lodged: 21st April 2015. <i>Chief Minister.</i>	P.43/2015.

E. WITHDRAWAL OF LODGED PROPOSITIONS

F. APPOINTMENT OF MINISTERS, COMMITTEES AND PANELS

G. MATTERS OF PRIVILEGE

H. PETITIONS



I. QUESTIONS

(a) – Written Questions

(attached)

1. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec regarding the Children's and Adult Mental Health Services.
2. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy T.A. McDonald of St. Saviour regarding tax receipts.
3. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier regarding same-sex marriage.
4. The Minister for Housing will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier regarding marketing expenditure by Andium Homes.
5. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier regarding a grant from the Criminal Offences Confiscation Fund.
6. The Minister for Housing will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier regarding evictions.
7. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy T.A. McDonald of St. Saviour regarding complaints against States of Jersey employees.
8. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding e-government.
9. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding tax revenues.
10. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding income tax.
11. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the transfer of public sector employees.
12. The Minister for Transport and Technical Services will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding the Energy from Waste Plant.
13. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding complaints against enforcement officers of the Environment Department.
14. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding applications made under the Control of Housing and Work (Jersey) Law 2012.
15. The Minister for Home Affairs will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding work permits.
16. The Minister for Home Affairs will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier regarding criminal record checks.
17. The Minister for Planning and Environment will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding nitrates.



18. The Minister for Planning and Environment will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding Potato Cyst Nematode levels.
19. The Minister for Home Affairs will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding smoking at H.M. Prison La Moye.
20. The Minister for Transport and Technical Services will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding the running of the Energy from Waste Plant.
21. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade regarding a disability strategy for Jersey.
22. The Minister for Economic Development will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding zero-hour contracts.
23. The Minister for Planning and Environment will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy T.A. McDonald of St. Saviour regarding the investigation of misconduct allegations.
24. H.M. Acting Attorney General will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy T.A. McDonald of St. Saviour regarding the provision of reports to the Family Court.
25. The Minister for Planning and Environment will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy T.A. McDonald of St. Saviour regarding cases recommended for prosecution.

(b) – Oral Questions

(120 minutes)

1. Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade will ask the following question of the Minister for External Relations –

“As Minister for External Relations, what role, if any, does the Minister play in attracting high-net-worth individuals to the Island, and, if involved, does he fully support the current preferential tax rate applicable to them compared to the 20% tax rate for locally qualified high-net-worth individuals?”
2. The Connétable of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources –

“Would the Minister inform the Assembly whether there is a timetable for the reform of the administration of tax returns to enable married women to be treated equally in the eyes of the tax system and have full autonomy for their own tax affairs?”
3. Deputy A.D. Lewis of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Transport and Technical Services –

“Can the Minister update the Assembly as to how negotiations with the States of Guernsey are progressing with regards to the possibility of Transport and Technical Services providing services for the incineration of Guernsey’s waste?”
4. Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources –

“Will the Minister, using the latest figures, advise members of the total amount of revenue lost on an annual basis through the zero/ten tax policy and, in particular, the reduction in corporation tax for financial service firms from 20% to 10%, the 0% tax for all non-utility companies and the estimated annual loss of income that will occur from reducing the marginal rate of tax in the 2015 budget?”



5. The Connétable of St. John will ask the following question of the Minister for Transport and Technical Services –

“Could the Minister advise what sum of money has been spent to date on the village improvement scheme for St. John, including all officer time and all consultants’ fees, architects’ fees, and other fees and costs?”

6. Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Chief Minister –

“Following the government’s presentation to the States of the Resources Statement on 21st April 2015 (P.27/2015 (Add.)), what consideration, if any, has the government given to an alternative strategy (‘Plan B’) for addressing the shortfall in funding in the event that States income forecasts are reduced and it becomes apparent that ‘Plan A’ is not working?”

7. Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Social Security –

“Will the Minister inform members what ‘changes in benefit expenditure are being considered’ under the themes of ‘promoting financial independence’, ‘improving targeting of benefits’, and ‘minimising individual impact’ on page 18 of the Resources Statement to the Draft Strategic Plan, and if not, why not; and will she further state what proportion of the £35 million reduction in spending labelled ‘other’ on page 19 has been targeted for benefit changes?”

8. Deputy J.A. Hilton of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Social Security –

“Will the Minister take action to review the policy which leaves apprentices in their first year of training, who earn £5.09 per hour, out of pocket if they have the misfortune to fall sick and require time off work because they have not earned enough to pay contributions to the minimum earnings threshold for entitlement to sickness benefit?”

9. Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Chief Minister –

“What estimate does the Chief Minister have for the number of posts that will be required to be removed from the public sector workforce to achieve the target of £60 million savings; how will this reduction be spread across current departments; and will the Minister publicly assure members that where outsourcing, privatisation or incorporation is involved, then the Transfer of Public Sector Employees (TOPSE) agreement will be applied?”

10. Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade will ask the following question of the Chairman of the Privileges and Procedures Committee –

“Does the Chairman consider that there is a need for an independent boundary commission to be established to review and create a fair distribution of seats, and, if so, when can we expect such a commission to be engaged, and if not, why not?”

11. Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources –

“In light of the forecast deficit, will the Minister, as shareholder representative, advise members when the States of Jersey Development Company’s 2014 accounts and the evidence showing that the International Finance Centre will generate a return of £50 million to the States will be made available to members?”



12. Deputy A.D. Lewis of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources –

“Given that Appendix 5 of the Medium Term Financial Plan 2013-15 set an ‘overriding objective’ of reducing and consolidating the States’ office portfolio to achieve 4 specified benefits, and identified scope to reduce the overall area of States offices by ‘up to 220,000 square feet’, would the Minister quantify the square footage reduction achieved to date and advise on progress made towards achieving the specified benefits?”

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

1st question period – Minister for Health and Social Services

2nd question period – Chief Minister

J. PERSONAL STATEMENTS

K. STATEMENTS ON A MATTER OF OFFICIAL RESPONSIBILITY

L. PUBLIC BUSINESS

Draft Strategic Plan 2015 – 2018. Lodged: 6th March 2015. <i>Council of Ministers.</i>	P.27/2015.
Resources Statement to the Draft Strategic Plan 2015 – 2018 (P.27/2015) – including IFG report on Income Forecasts (March 2015). Presented: 23rd April 2015. <i>Council of Ministers.</i>	P.27/2015. Add.
Draft Strategic Plan 2015 – 2018 (P.27/2015): amendment. Lodged: 19th March 2015. <i>Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier.</i>	P.27/2015. Amd.
Draft Strategic Plan 2015 – 2018 (P.27/2015): amendment (P.27/2015 Amd.) – amendment. Lodged: 8th April 2015. <i>Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier.</i>	P.27/2015. Amd.Amd.
Draft Strategic Plan 2015 – 2018 (P.27/2015): second amendment. Lodged: 8th April 2015. <i>Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier.</i>	P.27/2015. Amd.(2)
Draft Strategic Plan 2015 – 2018 (P.27/2015): third amendment. Lodged: 13th April 2015. <i>Connétable of Grouville.</i>	P.27/2015. Amd.(3)
Draft Strategic Plan 2015 – 2018 (P.27/2015): fourth amendment. Lodged: 14th April 2015. <i>Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier.</i>	P.27/2015. Amd.(4)
Draft Strategic Plan 2015 – 2018 (P.27/2015): fifth amendment. Lodged: 14th April 2015. <i>Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier.</i>	P.27/2015. Amd.(5)



Draft Strategic Plan 2015 – 2018 (P.27/2015): fifth amendment (P.27/2015 Amd.(5)) – amendment. Lodged: 21st April 2015. <i>Council of Ministers.</i>	P.27/2015. Amd.(5) Amd.
Draft Strategic Plan 2015 – 2018 (P.27/2015): sixth amendment. Lodged: 14th April 2015. <i>Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade.</i>	P.27/2015. Amd.(6)
Draft Strategic Plan 2015 – 2018 (P.27/2015): seventh amendment. Lodged: 14th April 2015. <i>Connétable of St. Helier.</i>	P.27/2015. Amd.(7)
Draft Strategic Plan 2015 – 2018 (P.27/2015): seventh amendment (P.27/2015 Amd.(7)) – amendment. Lodged: 21st April 2015. <i>Council of Ministers.</i>	P.27/2015. Amd.(7) Amd.
Draft Strategic Plan 2015 – 2018 (P.27/2015): eighth amendment. Lodged: 14th April 2015. <i>Deputy L.M.C. Doublet of St. Saviour.</i>	P.27/2015. Amd.(8)
Draft Strategic Plan 2015 – 2018 (P.27/2015): ninth amendment. Lodged: 14th April 2015. <i>Environment, Housing and Technical Services Scrutiny Panel.</i>	P.27/2015. Amd.(9)
Draft Strategic Plan 2015 – 2018 (P.27/2015): ninth amendment (P.27/2015 Amd.(9)) – amendment. Lodged: 21st April 2015. <i>Council of Ministers.</i>	P.27/2015. Amd.(9) Amd.
Draft Strategic Plan 2015 – 2018 (P.27/2015): tenth amendment. Lodged: 14th April 2015. <i>Deputy R. Labey of St. Helier.</i>	P.27/2015. Amd.(10)
Draft Strategic Plan 2015 – 2018 (P.27/2015): eleventh amendment. Lodged: 14th April 2015 <i>Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel.</i>	P.27/2015. Amd.(11)
Draft Strategic Plan 2015 – 2018 (P.27/2015): eleventh amendment (P.27/2015 Amd.(11)) – amendment. Lodged: 21st April 2015. <i>Council of Ministers.</i>	P.27/2015. Amd.(11) Amd.
Draft Strategic Plan 2015 – 2018 (P.27/2015): twelfth amendment. Lodged: 14th April 2015. <i>Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel.</i>	P.27/2015. Amd.(12)
Draft Strategic Plan 2015 – 2018 (P.27/2015): thirteenth amendment. Lodged: 14th April 2015. <i>Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel.</i>	P.27/2015. Amd.(13)
Draft Strategic Plan 2015 – 2018 (P.27/2015): fourteenth amendment. Lodged: 14th April 2015. <i>Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade.</i>	P.27/2015. Amd.(14)



- Deregulation Bill: application of certain provisions to Jersey. P.28/2015.
Lodged: 9th March 2015.
Chief Minister.
- Draft Shipping (Oil Pollution) (Liability and Compensation) (Jersey) Law 201-. P.29/2015.
Lodged: 18th March 2015.
Minister for Economic Development.
(Cannot be debated before 29th April 2015)
- Income Support Medical Appeal Tribunal: appointment of members. P.30/2015.
Lodged: 19th March 2015.
Minister for Social Security.
- Social Security Medical Appeal Tribunal: appointment of members. P.31/2015.
Lodged: 19th March 2015.
Minister for Social Security.
- Gas Tariffs: review by Jersey Competition Regulatory Authority. P.32/2015.
Lodged: 24th March 2015.
Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier.
- Jersey Appointments Commission: appointment of Commissioners. P.33/2015.
Lodged: 30th March 2015.
Chief Minister.

M. ARRANGEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

12th May 2015

- Draft Air and Sea Ports (Incorporation) (Jersey) Law 201-. P.5/2015.
Lodged: 15th January 2015.
Council of Ministers.
- Draft Air and Sea Ports (Incorporation) (Jersey) Law 201- (P.5/2015): amendment. P.5/2015.
Lodged: 16th April 2015. Amd.
Chief Minister.
- Draft Social Security (Reciprocal Agreement with Chile) (Jersey) Act 201-. P.34/2015
Lodged: 31st March 2015. (re-issue).
Minister for External Relations.
- Bus Fares 2015: review. P.35/2015.
Lodged: 1st April 2015.
Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier.
- Commissioners of Appeal for Taxes Office: re-appointment. P.37/2015.
Lodged: 2nd April 2015.
Minister for Treasury and Resources.
- Draft Restriction on Smoking (Motor Vehicles) (Jersey) Regulations 201-. P.36/2015.
Lodged: 1st April 2015.
Minister for Health and Social Services.
(Cannot be debated before 13th May 2015)



2nd June 2015

- Draft Aircraft Registration and Air Navigation (Miscellaneous Provisions) (Jersey) Law 201-. P.38/2015.
Lodged: 8th April 2015.
Minister for Economic Development.
- States Assembly: filming proceedings and the installation of clocks. P.39/2015.
Lodged: 16th April 2015.
Privileges and Procedures Committee.
- Draft Discrimination (Sex and Related Characteristics) (Jersey) Regulations 201-. P.40/2015.
Lodged: 21st April 2015.
Minister for Social Security.
- Draft Employment (Amendment of Law) (Jersey) Regulations 201-. P.41/2015.
Lodged: 21st April 2015.
Minister for Social Security.
- Draft Public Finances (Amendment of Law No. 2) (Jersey) Regulations 201-. P.42/2015.
Lodged: 21st April 2015.
Minister for Treasury and Resources.
- Draft Criminal Procedure (Miscellaneous Amendments) (Jersey) Law 201-. P.43/2015.
Lodged: 21st April 2015.
Chief Minister.

M.N. DE LA HAYE, O.B.E.
Greffier of the States

23rd April 2015

Note –

In accordance with the meeting dates fixed for 2015 by the Privileges and Procedures Committee, this meeting will continue, if necessary, on Wednesday 29th and Thursday 30th April 2015.



Explanatory Note regarding subordinate legislation tabled at this meeting.

(See Item B)

R&O.43/2015.

This Order uprates, by 10%, the fees payable for parking permits in St. Helier. In respect of the Cheapside, St. Mark's, and St. Thomas' Zones, the fee for a resident's permit is increased to £293. The fee for such a permit in respect of the Richmond Road Zone is increased to £146. The fee for a business parking permit for any one zone is increased to £219.

The increases will take effect from 1st May 2015. The last increase was on 1st May 2014.

The Order was made on 20th April 2015 and comes into force on 1st May 2015.

R&O.44/2015.

This Order –

- (a) makes the Esplanade Car Park Shopper Zone a car park in which a vehicle may be parked for up to 3 hours in any one visit, at a charge of 1 unit per hour (for parking between 8 a.m. and 5 p.m. on any day except Sunday);
- (b) introduces regulation of parking in the St. Ouen Parish Hall Car Park and the St. Ouen Parish Church Car Park as follows –
 - Parking in the St. Ouen Parish Church Car Park is restricted to a maximum of 8 hours in any continuous period of 24 hours. Commercial vehicles with an overall length of 15 feet or more and agricultural vehicles may only be parked with the written permission of the Connétable;
 - Parking in the rear of the St. Ouen Parish Hall Car Park is restricted to a maximum of 6 hours for each visit between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. A parking disc must be displayed. A vehicle cannot return within one hour of leaving. Commercial vehicles with an overall length of 15 feet or more and agricultural tractors may only be parked with the written permission of the Connétable;
 - Parking in the front of the St. Ouen Parish Hall Car Park is restricted to a maximum of 1 hour for each visit. A parking disc must be displayed. A vehicle cannot return within one hour of leaving. Commercial vehicles with an overall length of 15 feet or more and agricultural tractors may only be parked with the written permission of the Connétable.

The Order was made on 20th April 2015 and came into force on 27th April 2015.

R&O.45/2015.

This Order makes provision as to proceedings of the Planning Applications Committee established under Article 9A of the Planning and Building (Jersey) Law 2002 and Standing Order 141A of the States of Jersey. It prescribes (by *Article 1*) the quorum for meetings of that Committee, and (by *Article 2*) provides that where there is equality of votes on any matter before the Committee, the matter shall be determined in the negative.

The Order was made on 20th April 2015 and came into force on 21st April 2015.



WRITTEN QUESTIONS

(See Item I(a))

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

“Will the Minister set out for members a diagram showing the organization of the Children’s and Adult Mental Health Service and explain what personnel changes (resignations, retirements, interdepartmental movements within the health service and the wider States) have taken place over the last year?”

Will he further state –

- (a) how many psychiatrists/psychologists are employed by the department, their qualifications and length of service in these capacities in Jersey and, as a separate figure, elsewhere;
 - (b) the number of locums who have been employed in this area over the last five years and the length of time they stayed in the Island and whether their performance was deemed to be satisfactory by the department?”
2. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy T.A. McDonald of St. Saviour –

“Further to the Minister’s response to question 1240/5(8713) tabled on Tuesday 24th March 2015, will the Minister provide the same information requested in that question in relation to tax receipts raised in 2014?”

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

“In November 2014, following public consultation, the government’s report on same-sex marriage (‘Equal Marriage and Partnership: Options Paper Report – November 2014’ R.170/2015) said that the Council of Ministers was committed to bringing forward a report and proposition to establish a timeline, and States approval for, the introduction same-sex marriage in the first quarter of 2015.

Could the Chief Minister explain why this deadline has been missed and provide an updated timeframe for the introduction of same-sex marriage?”

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

“Could the Minister provide a breakdown of what has been spent on marketing by Andium Homes since its incorporation last year? Specifically, could the Minister outline what has been spent on banners, flags and social media promotional adverts?”

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

“Could the Minister provide an update on what progress, if any, has been made towards fulfilling the commitments the States agreed to in P.123/2014, ‘Freedom for Life Ministries: grant from Criminal Offences Confiscation Fund’?”



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

“Could the Minister provide information on how many evictions were carried out by the Housing Department, per year, in the 5 years leading up to the incorporation of Andium Homes, and how many evictions have been carried out since Andium Homes was incorporated?”

7. The Chief Minister will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy T.A. McDonald of St. Saviour –

“Will the Chief Minister advise –

1. Whether he has, over the past 12 to 24 months, personally received several individual complaints from members of the public in writing and in person, and also from States members, past and present, in meetings with the Chief Executive, regarding alleged harassment, misconduct, and numerous *ultra vires* actions against these individuals by States of Jersey employees and Executive Officers based within the Environment Department;
 2. Whether, given the number of complaints received, and that they are in the same context, of the same nature, and do not appear to be individual grievances, it was appropriate for these complaints to be passed on to the individuals that they may have been about, or to the person who is responsible for the alleged action;
 3. Whether, in view of concerns raised by former States members with reference to the Committee of Enquiry in 2011, the Chief Minister believes that he is conflicted on the current issues, given his chairmanship of the States Employment Board?”
8. The Chief Minister will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier –

“Further to the Chief Minister’s responses to questions relating to expenditure on e-government, which have revealed that, in addition to the £1.8 million in 2014, a further £4.9 million has been allocated to e-government in 2015, will the Chief Minister indicate what further sums have been estimated in the new Medium Term Financial Plan for the years 2016, 2017 and 2018 and what savings, in which departments, are expected to result from this expenditure over those years?”

Will the Chief Minister further state how many posts, at what grades, if any, will be lost through this process, and whether the current post-holders will be offered opportunities for redeployment or redundancy, either voluntary or compulsory?

Will he also inform members when it is anticipated that the savings produced by this “spend to save” initiative will exceed expenditure?”

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

“The figures released in response to written question 8734, tabled on 14th April 2015, reveal little change in the pattern of tax revenues from non-financial businesses compared with those previously given for the year 2009. Both, however, are dominated (almost 60% of revenue) by two sectors – “other business services” and “other community services”. In order to better help members understand the Jersey economy, can the Minister provide a breakdown what types of business these two large categories include?”



Will he further inform members what contribution each sub-sector within these broad sectors makes to the £30m of tax revenues produced, and, if not, why not?

The response also states that “the table above includes income tax assessed in respect of the legal and accountancy professions” and then overleaf that only two of the five subsectors of the finance sector, banking and trust and company administration, will pay tax at 10%, the remainder would be taxed at 0%. How much tax is paid by the fund management, legal and accountancy sub-sectors of the financial services sector?

Will the Minister further explain what role is played by income tax on partnerships and sole traders on tax revenues in the finance sector?”

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

“Given that the figures for income tax paid by the 11 sub-sectors of the non-finance sector, totalling £51.4 million and detailed in the Minister’s answer to question 8734 tabled on 14th April 2015, can only be charged as income tax on dividends and other payments paid to Jersey resident beneficial owners, does the Minister have figures on what proportion of each sub-sector is non-locally owned and therefore paying zero tax and, if not, why not?”

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

“The Chief Minister stated in his answer to question 8745 from Deputy A.D. Lewis of St. Helier, asked on 14th April 2015, that the new Transfer of Public Sector Employees (T.O.P.S.E.) agreement to protect the terms and conditions of States employees, which applied in the case of the incorporation of Andium Homes and will apply to the Ports incorporation, did not apply to the formation of the public-private partnership “Visit Jersey” to replace the Tourism department and under which “it was anticipated that the majority of current staff would transfer”. Can the Chief Minister give a detailed explanation of why he believes that the protection of T.O.P.S.E. should not have applied in this case?

Will he further assure members that, in the case of any further public-private partnership formations to reduce the numbers in public sector employment, T.O.P.S.E. protection will apply, and if not, why not?”

12. The Minister for Transport and Technical Services will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier –

“Will the Minister set out for members a chronology of all correspondence, from 2007 to the present day, between the department and the States of Guernsey and its departments regarding the burning of Guernsey’s waste in Jersey’s Energy from Waste Plant?”

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

“Will the Chief Minister advise members how many individuals and/or organizations have met with, or corresponded with, him complaining about the actions of the Department of Environment’s enforcement officers and detail what action, if any, he intends to take to address those complaints?”



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

“Will the Chief Minister advise members how many people applied for registration cards under the Control of Housing and Work (Jersey) Law 2012 during the period 1st January 2015 to 31st March 2015, breaking down the numbers into the nationality and country of origin of applicants?”

15. The Minister for Home Affairs will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier –

“Will the Minister advise members of the number of work permits that have been issued in Jersey since 1st September 2014 and give further information regarding the nationality of each person granted a permit, their profession or skills, the sector in which they intend to work and the duration of the permit?”

16. The Minister for Home Affairs will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M.R. Higgins of St. Helier –

“With regard to criminal record checks, will the Minister:

- (a) advise members which countries routinely share and do not share information with the States of Jersey Police and what steps are being taken to obtain information from those who do not share information;
- (b) advise members whether it is the case that Jersey-born persons with spent convictions, or convictions which are not spent but of a historical nature (other than sexual offences), can be denied employment, whereas people from countries which do not supply criminal records information could be employed even though they may have committed very serious offences in their home country?”

17. The Minister for Planning and Environment will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade –

“Does the Minister consider that a ‘polluter pays’ policy could be a viable way of reducing the amount of nitrates that are applied to fields, which subsequently find their way into the water table? If not, why not, and if so, what does the Minister think a workable scheme would look like?”

18. The Minister for Planning and Environment will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade –

“Could the Minister provide a breakdown of the 4 categories of potato fields in terms of Potato Cyst Nematode (P.C.N.) levels; explain how those levels compare with acceptable and ideal P.C.N. established benchmark levels elsewhere, and what steps the Minister is taking, if any, to reduce the number of fields with high P.C.N.?”

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

“Will the Minister advise how many complaints, if any, have been made by prison inmates or staff with regard to breathing in second-hand smoke on the premises of H.M. Prison La Moye in the past 5 years, when the complaints were made, how they were dealt with and if there are any plans to make the prison a smoke-free environment, as is the case on all hospital premises?”



20. The Minister for Transport and Technical Services will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade –

“Will the Minister outline to what extent, if any, the presence of glass in general refuse presents a problem to the running of the Energy from Waste Plant?”

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

“Are there any plans to introduce a disability strategy for Jersey? If not, why not, and if so, what would this entail, and what would the expected timescale be for its introduction?”

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

“Can the Minister account for the prevalence of zero-hours jobs in Jersey, which now accounts for 10% of employment, compared to around 2% in the UK, and, if not, why not?”

23. The Minister for Planning and Environment will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy T.A. McDonald of St. Saviour –

“The Royal Court Judgement in the case of ‘Manning v Minister for Planning and Environment’, ([2015]JRC013 dated 15th January 2015) states: “It is absolutely critical that those charged with the administration of this legislation act in a transparently fair and even handed way. Very regrettably this has not been the case here.”.

Is it the department’s procedure, in the first instance, for the Chief Executive Officer and possibly other departmental directors, to examine and respond to complaints regarding the department or staff acting under the officer’s responsibility, and, if so, would the Minister advise whether officers or directors will continue to investigate allegations of misconduct, alleged intentional underhandedness, or alleged negligence, which could be made against themselves or officers acting under their direction and responsibility, whilst representing the Minister?”

24. H.M. Acting Attorney General will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy T.A. McDonald of St. Saviour –

“Will H.M. Acting Attorney General advise members what actions he would expect States of Jersey departments and/or agencies to take in the event that they had provided the Family Court with reports that contained inaccurate and/or misleading information which may have led to the court taking a particular action or reaching a particular judgment, which may or may not have prejudiced one of the parties, or to documents remaining on file which may be accessed by other parties in the future who were not aware of the inaccurate or misleading information?”

25. The Minister for Planning and Environment will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy T.A. McDonald of St. Saviour –

“Will the Minister –

1. Provide a list of all cases the department has recommended for prosecution from January 2008 to April 2015, and in which court (Magistrate’s Court or Royal Court), they were presented;



2. Detail the alleged breach of which statutory provision/enactment in each case;
3. Provide the result of each case (withdrawn, dismissed, or resulting in conviction);
4. State whether, given the resources and cost of pursuing and resolving each case, the department believes that each case was sufficiently justified and in the public interest;
5. State whether the department has any reason to believe that there are cases that it has been recommended to pursue by investigation, which are questionable with regards to the lawful procedures and probity in connection with why and how they were pursued and actions taken;
6. Notify the Assembly if the department has any reason to believe that there are cases where investigative officers may have exceeded their duties and taken a non-departmental approach with regards to exercising non-existent rights under the Regulation of Investigatory Powers (Jersey) Law 2005, the Data Protection (Jersey) Law 2005, Criminal Justice (Evidence and Procedure) (Jersey) Law 1998 and the Police and Criminal Evidence (Jersey) Law 2003?"



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