

# THE STATES assembled on Monday 15th July 2013, at 2.15 p.m. under the Presidency of the Bailiff, Sir Michael Birt.

All members were present at roll call with the exception of –

Senator Paul Francis Routier – en défaut (défaut raised at 2.33 p.m.)

Connetable Daniel Joseph Murphy of Grouville - ill

Connétable Deirdre Wendy Mezbourian of St. Lawrence – excused attendance

Connétable Sadie Anthea Rennard of St. Saviour – excused attendance

Deputy Jacqueline Ann Hilton of St. Helier – excused attendance

Deputy Montfort Tadier of St. Brelade – excused attendance (arrived in the Chamber at 2.46 p.m.)

Deputy Trevor Mark Pitman of St. Helier – en défaut (défaut raised at 2.23 p.m.)

Deputy Stephen George Luce of St. Martin – excused attendance

Prayers read by the Greffier of the States

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#### H.R.H. The Earl of Wessex - visit

The Bailiff advised the Assembly that His Royal Highness the Earl of Wessex would be visiting the Island on 16th and 17th September 2013. There would be a special meeting of the States on 17th September 2013, in order to commemorate the 350th anniversary of the Royal Mace being presented to the Island.

# **Photographer in the Public Gallery**

THE STATES acceded to a request from the Société Jersiaise for a photographer to take archive photographs of the Assembly during the meeting.

### **Communications by the Presiding Officer**

Report of the Investigatory Powers Commissioner for Regulation of Investigatory Powers (Jersey) Law 2005 and Police Procedures and Criminal Evidence (Jersey) Law 2003: 1st January to 31st December 2012.

R.86/2013.

Presented: 15th July 2013.

## Subordinate enactments tabled

The following enactments were tabled, namely –

Alternative Investment Funds (Amendment of Regulations) (Jersey) Order 2013. *Minister for Economic Development.* 

R&O.95/2013.

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Alternative Investment Funds (Jersey) Order 2013.

R&O.96/2013.

Minister for Economic Development.

Financial Services (Amendment of Schedule 2 to Law) (No. 4) (Jersey) Order 2013.

R&O.97/2013.

 ${\it Minister for Economic Development}.$ 

Financial Services (Financial Service Business) (Amendment) (Jersey) Order 2013.

R&O.98/2013.

Minister for Economic Development.

 $Collective\ Investment\ Funds\ (Certified\ Funds-Prospectuses)\ (Amendment)$ 

R&O.99/2013.

(Jersey) Order 2013.

Minister for Economic Development.

Terrorism (Proscribed Organizations) (Amendment No. 6) (Jersey) Order 2013.

R&O.100/2013.

Minister for Home Affairs.

Food Costs Bonus (Jersey) Order 2013.

R&O.101/2013.

Minister for Social Security.

## **Documents presented or laid**

Victoria and George V Cottage Homes (Repeal of General Principles) (P.44/2013):

P.44/2013.

amendment (P.44/2013 Amd.) – comments.

Amd.Com.

Presented: 11th July 2013.

Minister for Housing.

Draft Social Housing (Transfer) (Jersey) Law 201- (P.63/2013): comments.

P.63/2013.

Presented: 15th July 2013.

Com.

Health, Social Security and Housing Scrutiny Panel.

Draft States of Jersey (Amendment No. 7) Law 201- (P.64/2013): amendments

P.64/2013.

(P.64/2013 Amds.) – comments.

Amds.Com.

Presented: 15th July 2013.

Privileges and Procedures Committee.

Public Audit in Jersey.

R.77/2013.

Presented: 4th July 2013.

Comptroller and Auditor General.

Land Transactions under Standing Order 168(3) –

R.78/2013.

- (a) A30A and B Albert Pier lease;
- (b) S13 South Pier variation of lease;
- (c) Eagle House, Colomberie, St. Helier, for the Public to enter into a lease for office accommodation.

Presented: 5th July 2013.

Minister for Treasury and Resources.

Jersey Gambling Commission: 2012 Annual Report and Accounts.

R.79/2013.

Presented: 9th July 2013.

Minister for Economic Development.

Independent Custody Visitor Report Jersey 2012.

R.80/2013.

Presented: 11th July 2013. *Minister for Home Affairs*.

Land Transactions under Standing Order 168(3) – Grève de Lecq Tower Car Park,

R.81/2013.

Mont de la Grève de Lecq, St. Ouen and Hotel des Pierres – proposed sale of bank.

Presented: 11th July 2013.

Minister for Treasury and Resources.

Jersey Multi-Agency Public Protection Arrangements.

R.82/2013.

Presented: 12th July 2013. *Minister for Home Affairs*.

Code of Conduct for Elected Members: use of the States e-mail system.

R.83/2013.

Presented: 15th July 2013.

Privileges and Procedures Committee.

Jersey Bank Depositors Compensation Board: Annual Report and Audited Financial

R.84.2013.

Statements for the year ended 31st March 2013.

Presented: 15th July 2013.

Minister for Economic Development.

Jersey Appointments Commission: Annual Report for 2012.

R.85/2013.

Presented: 15th July 2013.

Chief Minister.

Meetings of the States in 2014.

R.87/2013.

Presented: 15th July 2013.

Privileges and Procedures Committee.

## **Notification of lodged propositions**

Draft States of Jersey (Amendment No. 7) Law 201- (P.64/2013): second amendment (P.64/2013 Amd.(2)) – amendment. Amd.(2)

Lodged: 8th July 2013.

Amd.

Deputy A.K.F. Green of St. Helier.

Draft Customs and Excise (Amendment No. 7) (Jersey) Law 201-. P.85/2013.

Lodged: 11th July 2013. *Minister for Home Affairs*.

### **Written Questions**

(see Official Report/Hansard)

The Minister for Economic Development tabled an answer to a question asked by Senator A. Breckon regarding monies paid out to growers/glasshouse operators as part of the exit strategy.

The Chairman of the Comité des Connétables tabled an answer to a question asked by Senator A. Breckon regarding the employment of trainees by Parishes.

The Minister for Housing tabled an answer to a question asked by Senator A. Breckon regarding the provision of accounts for the phases of the redevelopment of Le Squez and Le Marais.

The Minister for Transport and Technical Services tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.C.L. Baudains of St. Clement regarding problems with the Energy from Waste plant.

The Minister for Transport and Technical Services tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.C.L. Baudains of St. Clement regarding the deterioration of the former Bouley Bay Hotel site.

The Minister for Home Affairs tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy S.S.P.A. Power of St. Brelade regarding proposed dispatch times for police vehicles from the new Police Headquarters at Green Street.

The Chief Minister tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy S.S.P.A. Power of St. Brelade regarding the future population strategy.

The Minister for Transport and Technical Services tabled an answer to a question asked by the Connétable of St. Helier regarding the use of unspent funds from the Town Park Capital vote.

The Minister for Health and Social Services tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy S. Pitman of St. Helier regarding the treatment of Chronic Fatigue Syndrome patients.

The Minister for Planning and Environment tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy T.M. Pitman of St. Helier regarding the administration of the energy efficiency scheme.

The Chief Minister tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy T.M. Pitman of St. Helier regarding the cost of the Court case against former Senator S. Syvret.

The Minister for Treasury and Resources tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy T.M. Pitman of St. Helier regarding the Budget allocated to Data Protection to fund a recent Court case.

The Minister for Home Affairs tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy T.M. Pitman of St. Helier regarding additional suspects in a child abuse Court case.

The Minister for Education, Sport and Culture tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy T.M. Pitman of St. Helier regarding a recent incident in school involving a starting pistol.

The Minister for Housing tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.C.L. Baudains of St. Clement regarding the relocation of Le Squez Youth Club.

The Minister for Education, Sport and Culture tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.C.L. Baudains of St. Clement regarding the future use of the present Le Squez Youth Club premises.

The Minister for Planning and Environment tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.C.L. Baudains of St. Clement regarding planning applications for the redevelopment of Le Squez.

The Chief Minister tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the report entitled 'The Value of Jersey to Britain'.

The Chief Minister tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the accuracy of the figures contained in the report 'The Value of Jersey to Britain'.

The Chief Minister tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding Jersey managed wealth and U.K. taxes.

The Chief Minister tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the credibility of the report entitled 'The Value of Jersey to Britain'.

The Chief Minister tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding clarification of recent agreements with the U.K. Prime Minister regarding taxes.

H.M. Attorney General tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy J.H. Young of St. Brelade regarding access to the transcript of the Inspector's public hearing into the Plémont development.

The Minister for Planning and Environment tabled an answer to a question asked by Deputy J.H. Young of St. Brelade regarding the preservation of the historic sea wall on the Esplanade.

### **Oral Questions**

(see Official Report/Hansard)

Senator S.C. Ferguson asked a question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources regarding the creation of a monopoly in fibre routers by JT.

The Connétable of St. Mary asked a question of the Minister for Transport and Technical Services regarding the introduction of a penalty points system for minor traffic offences.

Deputy S. Pitman of St. Helier asked a question of the Minister for Health and Social Services regarding the treatment available to ME/Chronic Fatigue sufferers within the Health and Social Services Department.

Deputy S.S.P.A. Power of St. Brelade asked a question of the Chief Minister regarding the Minister for Treasury and Resources' recent comments on the work of other Ministers and Departments.

Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier asked a question of the Chief Minister regarding the mechanisms by which tax 'leakage' occurred through Jersey from U.K. tax revenues.

The Connétable of St. Brelade asked a question of the Minister for Education, Sport and Culture regarding the status of his Department's draft IT Skills Strategy.

Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade asked a question of the Assistant Minister for Education, Sport and Culture regarding the decision to remove the children's play area at Les Quennevais Playing Fields.

Deputy R.G. Le Hérissier of St. Saviour asked a question of the Minister for Planning and Environment regarding nitrate levels in the water supply.

Deputy J.A. Martin of St. Helier asked a question of the Assistant Chief Minister regarding changes to the rental market range under the Control of Housing and Work (Residential and Employment Status) (Jersey) Regulations 2013.

Deputy T.M. Pitman of St. Helier asked a question of the Chairman of the Privileges and Procedures Committee regarding amendments to Option B to create greater parity of weight of vote for St. Helier in comparison to other parishes.

Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier asked a question of the Chief Minister regarding tax avoidance structures.

Deputy S. Pitman of St. Helier asked a question of the Minister for Social Security regarding the number of claimants of Income support and other benefits by people with ME/Chronic Fatigue Syndrome.

Deputy T.M. Pitman of St. Helier asked a question of the Chairman of the Privileges and Procedures Committee regarding an investigation into an alleged breach of the Members' Code of Conduct by the Assistant Minister with responsibility for External Affairs.

Deputy R.G. Le Hérissier of St. Saviour asked a question of the Assistant Chief Minister regarding the introduction of work permits.

The Connétable of St. Mary asked a question of the Chief Minister regarding compliance with the requirements of Control of Housing and Work cards.

## **Oral Questions without notice**

(see Official Report/Hansard)

The Minister for Housing answered questions without notice from members.

The Minister for Planning and Environment answered questions without notice from members.

#### **Personal statement**

(see Official Report/Hansard)

Senator Sir Philip Bailhache made a personal statement in response to allegations concerning confidential papers read in public view.

## Adjournment

THE STATES adjourned, having agreed to reconvene on Tuesday 16th July 2013 to consider public business.

THE STATES rose at 4.57 p.m.

M.N. DE LA HAYE

Greffier of the States