

STATES OF JERSEY



CHANNEL ISLANDS LOTTERY: ALLOCATION OF PROFITS FOR 2012

Lodged au Greffe on 8th February 2013
by the Minister for Economic Development

STATES GREFFE

PROPOSITION

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

to agree, in accordance with the provisions of Regulation 4(5) of the Gambling (Channel Islands Lottery) (Jersey) Regulations 1975, that all monies standing to the credit of the Channel Islands Lottery (Jersey) Fund which have not already been set aside by the Minister (representing 100% of the total Jersey portion of the profits of the Channel Islands Lottery for 2012) should be paid to the Association of Jersey Charities for the benefit of the community and the charitable needs of the Island.

MINISTER FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

REPORT

The decision-making process for allocating funds from the Channel Islands Lottery is that the Minister has responsibility for establishing a reserve, but the States is responsible for the distribution of remaining funds that constitute the lottery's 'profit'. Accordingly the Minister for Economic Development, pursuant to his powers under Regulation 4(5) of the Gambling (Channel Islands Lottery) (Jersey) Regulations 1975 and in consultation with the Association of Jersey Charities, has agreed not to withhold a percentage as a reserve for 2012. Both Economic Development and Treasury are satisfied that the current reserve is sufficient for the purpose it is maintained.

The profit from 2012, according to the provisions of that Regulation, is to be applied "in such manner and for such purposes of public benefit as the States shall from time to time by Act direct". It is the Minister's recommendation to the States that 100% of these funds be granted to the Association of Jersey Charities.

The Association now represents over 280 member charities and undertakes a valuable function by considering and allocating funding to the best prepared and worthy projects put forward by its members. In so doing, the Association continues to fulfil a vital social need.

During 2012, work continued on modernising and improving the Channel Islands Lottery in Jersey. The programme of modernisation will be enhanced in 2013 with the appointment of a partner organisation to take over the day to day operation of the Channel Islands Lottery with the aim of driving increased sales and, therefore, revenue for local good causes.

Financial and manpower implications

Subject to States approval, 100% of the Jersey profits from the Channel Islands Lottery in 2012 will be transferred as soon as is reasonably practicable to the Association of Jersey Charities. There are no manpower implications.