

## **STATES OF DELIBERATION**

23<sup>rd</sup> February, 2011

**Billet d'État No. I**

**Article No. 7**

### **SURIS**

Proposed by: Deputy S L Langlois

Seconded by: Deputy M H Dorey

### **Public Services Department** **Guernsey Airport – Pavements Rehabilitation Project**

To sursis the Article, and direct the Public Services Department to report back to the States (jointly with the Environment Department, if and to the extent considered necessary or appropriate) with details relating to the planning issues as soon as practicable after one of the following conditions has been met:

Either

- (a) an unqualified policy gateway has been clearly identified that would allow the Environment Department to grant planning permission for major forms of essential development on Land Parcel A (as set out in the Report) and on the fields between Land Parcel A and La Mare Road, even if such development would be in conflict with the primary or general objectives of the Rural Area Plan (Review No. 1);

Or

- (b) the Rural Area Plan has been amended to accommodate major forms of essential development on Land Parcel A and on the fields between Land Parcel A and La Mare Road.

### **Explanatory Note**

In the Policy Context of Chapter 7 of the Rural Area Plan (Review No. 1) (Essential development & infrastructure), the policy principles for essential development and infrastructure include that “*essential and minor forms of physical infrastructure should be accommodated within the rural area insofar as this is compatible with the primary objectives of the Plan*”. In section 7.1 (Essential Development) the preamble to Policy RD1 states: “*This Plan does not make provision for proposals that are clearly demonstrated to be essential to the well-being of the Island community but are of such a scale or nature as to be in conflict with the primary and general objectives of the Plan. Such proposals would require the formal amendment of the Plan.*” Until

clarity is provided on the lawfulness of the development required to proceed with Option C, it is premature to take resolutions on the compulsory purchase land and road closure associated with that Option.