# THE STATES OF DELIBERATION of the ISLAND OF GUERNSEY

15<sup>th</sup> November, 2016

### Proposition No. P.2016/48

# AMENDMENT

Proposed by: Deputy G A St Pier Seconded by: Deputy L S Trott

# Policy & Resources Committee

#### The Policy & Resource Plan – Phase One

To insert at the end of the words in Proposition 1:

", but subject to pages 5 and 9 of Appendix 2 being modified as follows:

- (a) by inserting the words "through an appropriate combination of reductions in expenditure and revenue-raising measures" immediately after the italicised words "Identified deficits will be addressed within five years of their appearance" in
  - (i) the second line of the part entitled '4. Clear limitations on acceptable temporary deficits' on page 5, and
  - (ii) in the third bullet point of paragraph 8.2 on page 9;
- (b) by inserting the words "unless an appropriate combination of measures to remedy the deficit has been agreed and is being implemented" immediately after the italicised words "so as not to grow in real terms at the aggregate level" in
  - (i) the sixth line of the part entitled '4. Clear limitations on acceptable temporary deficits' on page 5, and
  - (ii) in the fifth bullet point of paragraph 8.2 on page 9; ".

### Explanatory Note

This amendment revises the Fiscal Framework rules in respect of government deficits to be read as follows:

"Identified deficits will be addressed within five years of their appearance through an appropriate combination of reductions in expenditure and revenue-raising measures"

"During any period of deficit, expenditure on public services must be limited so as not to grow in real terms at the aggregate level **unless an appropriate combination of measures to remedy the deficit has been agreed and is being implemented**"