

## Access to Public Information Response

November 13<sup>th</sup> 2017

### REQUEST UNDER THE CODE OF PRACTICE FOR ACCESS TO PUBLIC INFORMATION

#### Request sent on November 13<sup>th</sup> 2017:

In accordance with the above Code of Practice I would welcome a copy of the review Deputy refers to in the Guernsey Press report of 26th October 2017 - [Only Gatwick Makes a Profit](#):

“Board president Charles Parkinson said it had commissioned a review into the profitability of every route that Aurigny operates.

‘The only profitable route is London Gatwick,’ he added. ‘All of the others are either in small losses or are treading water.’”

#### States of Guernsey response sent on November 22<sup>nd</sup> 2017:

Further to your request made under the Code of Practice on Access to Public Information, please see below a response from the States Trading Supervisory Board.

The review to which Deputy Parkinson referred is an internal piece of work that the States Trading Supervisory Board asked Aurigny to undertake to assist both parties in determining a policy response to the recommendations arising from the Strategic Review of Aurigny that was previously commissioned by the Policy & Resources Committee. It explored a large number of different policy scenarios/options for the airline and the impact on its financial performance arising from possible changes to its route network and fleet mix. Accordingly, the review included a range of commercially sensitive information relating to route revenues, operating costs, overheads, aircraft and crewing arrangements which would be of interest to Aurigny’s competitors. If published, this information would could harm the competitive position of Aurigny and, as such, could also prejudice the commercial and financial interests of both the States and the airline. It was provided to the STSB by Aurigny in confidence.

The Code of Practice on Access to Public Information sets out exceptions to the presumption of disclosure of information, which include disclosures which could:

- Harm the financial interests of the States of Guernsey (section 2.2 of the Code);
- Prejudice the economic or commercial interests of any person (section 2.2)
- Prejudice the commercial interests of the States of Guernsey (section 2.3);
- Harm the competitive position of a third party (section 2.13).

Section 2.4 of the Code also sets out an exception to the presumption of disclosure where doing so would harm the frankness and candour of internal discussion, including analysis of alternative policy options and information related to rejected policy options.

These exceptions apply to that information. Therefore, the Board is not able to provide you with access to the results of the review carried out by Aurigny.