

THE STATES OF DELIBERATION
of the
ISLAND OF GUERNSEY

5th November, 2019

Proposition No. P.2019/104

Policy & Resources Committee

The States of Guernsey Annual Budget for 2020

AMENDMENT

Proposed by: Deputy B L Brehaut

Seconded by: Deputy M H Dorey

To add a new Proposition 29A:

To direct the Policy & Resources Committee to make available a maximum of £100,000 from the 2020 Budget Reserve to enable the Committee *for the* Environment & Infrastructure to further develop the Biodiversity Strategy and define the appropriate model and ongoing funding requirement for its delivery.

Explanatory note

This amendment would enable further work to be carried out to protect and enhance Guernsey's biodiversity, including work to determine the appropriate model and ongoing funding requirement for matters relating to the Biodiversity Strategy. There are a number of key areas that require further development, investigation, data and analysis, including bird populations, sour fig, pesticides and the tree & woodland strategy.

The £100k would be utilised in 2020 undertake valuable work in these areas, primarily through informed data analysis and working in an expanded way with strategic biodiversity partners. The funding would also be used for strategy development and prioritisation of actions in order for an informed and evidenced proposal to be included as a service development request as part of the Committee's 2021 budget submission, setting out ongoing funding requirements.

The Committee is seeking to fund as much of this work as possible within existing resources by reprioritising use of its budget.