

**THE STATES OF DELIBERATION**  
**of the**  
**ISLAND OF GUERNSEY**

**26<sup>th</sup> February, 2020**

**Proposition No. P.2020/14**

**REQUÊTE**

**Determining the Best Model for Secondary Education**

**AMENDMENT**

Proposed by: Deputy M J Fallaize

Seconded by: Deputy R H Graham

To delete the Propositions and substitute therefor:

- "1. To note that in 2018 and 2019 the States directed that secondary education in the mainstream sector shall in future be organised in two 11-18 colleges operating as a single school as the optimum model in terms of educational benefits, equality of opportunity, high quality facilities for all students and making the best use of the funds which the States are prepared to invest in education annually.
2. To note that in September 2019 the States approved the capital investment necessary to establish two 11-18 colleges (de Saumarez College at Les Beaucamps and Victor Hugo College at Baubigny) operating as a single school (Lisia School) and also in relation to the co-location of health and care facilities at those colleges, the integration of further and on-island higher education in one institution (The Guernsey Institute) in new purpose-built facilities (at Les Ozouets), the redevelopment of La Mare de Carteret Primary School and improvements in digital infrastructure and services at schools and colleges.
3. a) To note that the reforms to secondary education are already well under way in a transition period which started in 2018 and will conclude in 2023;  
  
b) To note that in October 2018 parents were advised where their children will be at school in every year of the transition period and thereafter and that these arrangements for students cannot be maintained unless the development of the 11-18 colleges proceeds according to the current timetable and that no

credible or reliable alternative transition model for students could be put into effect without certainty about the future model of secondary education;

c) To note that the number of students in the colleges will increase gradually until there are year groups in all seven years at both colleges in the academic year 2023/24 and that the operation of the school and its colleges (including, for example, arrangements for lunch and enrichment activities and the future staff structure) is being developed iteratively and remains subject to further discussion between the Committee, the Office of the Committee, school and college leaders and teachers and support staff; and

d) To direct the Committee to ensure that decisions about the operation of the school and its colleges shall follow an improved process of consultation with teachers and support staff and that such consultation shall proceed in a way which secures the maximum possible confidence of key stakeholders.

4. a) To note that the space standards at the 11-18 colleges upon which the Committee's plans are based are the result of a rigorous independent external review of the space necessary which was commissioned by the Committee *for* Education, Sport & Culture and the Policy & Resources Committee and not insubstantial additional space which the Committee *for* Education, Sport & Culture considers to be desirable for the benefit of students and staff;

b) To note that stopping the reforms to secondary education approved in 2018 and 2019 would cause new and unnecessary uncertainty and disruption to many hundreds of students and deny them the benefits associated with the reforms – including broadening their curriculum offer, equality of opportunity, access to high quality facilities for all and enhanced provision for students with special educational needs and students with communication challenges – and would maintain, possibly for a lengthy period and certainly for an unidentified period, the numerous inadequacies of the current arrangements and invariably cost many millions of pounds which, if they are to be spent, would be better spent investing in educational facilities and services; and

c) To direct that as soon as possible, and after further consultation with school and college leaders and teachers and support staff, the Committee *for* Education, Sport & Culture shall submit to the States a Policy Letter, together with any Propositions considered necessary, in which it shall set out its opinion on whether further building space should be added at the 11-18 colleges for the time when they have year groups in all seven years and in order to provide the best possible facilities which the States are prepared to fund, and in doing so the Committee shall consider space for, *inter alia*, recreation and social times, sport (in the case of Victor Hugo College including for students at Le Murier School), libraries and sixth forms."

