

**IN THE STATES OF THE ISLAND OF GUERNSEY
ON THE 18TH MARCH, 2020**

**The States resolved as follows concerning Billet d'État No VII
dated 5th March, 2020**

SCRUTINY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

TRIBUNAL OF INQUIRY
P.2020/24

- I. After consideration of the Policy Letter entitled 'Tribunal of Inquiry', dated 11 February 2020:
1. TO NEGATIVE THE PROPOSITION to resolve it is expedient that a Tribunal of Inquiry be established in accordance with the Tribunals of Inquiry (Evidence) (Guernsey) Law, 1949, as amended, to inquire into a matter of urgent public importance, namely the establishment of the facts and circumstances surrounding appointment to the post of Head of Curriculum and Standards in accordance with the following Terms of Reference:
 - a) to inquire into the circumstances leading up to and surrounding the appointment of the Head of Curriculum and Standards;
 - b) to examine whether the appointment made conformed to the current policies and procedures of the relevant Committees of the States of Guernsey;
 - c) to examine whether good governance standards were maintained during the appointment process;
 - d) to examine such other associated relevant matters as the Tribunal may think fit; and
 - e) to make such recommendations as the Tribunal considers appropriate.
 2. TO NEGATIVE THE PROPOSITION to direct the Scrutiny Management Committee to request the Royal Court to appoint an individual or individuals to constitute the Tribunal of Inquiry.
 3. TO NEGATIVE THE PROPOSITION to delegate authority to the Policy & Resources Committee to approve expenditure as required up to £150,000 in order that the Tribunal of Inquiry may be established and discharge its functions.
 4. TO NEGATIVE THE PROPOSITION to resolve that the Tribunal of Inquiry should forward its resultant report to the Presiding Officer of the States of Deliberation for publication as an appendix to a Billet d'État.

STATUTORY INSTRUMENTS LAID BEFORE THE STATES

No. 3 of 2020

**THE HEALTH SERVICE (BENEFIT) (LIMITED LIST) (PHARMACEUTICAL BENEFIT)
(AMENDMENT) REGULATIONS, 2020**

In pursuance of sections 10 and 35 of the Health Service (Benefit) (Guernsey) Law, 1990, made by the Committee *for* Employment & Social Security on 21st January, 2020 were laid before the States.

No. 7 of 2020

THE REGISTRATION OF POLITICAL PARTIES (FEES) REGULATIONS, 2020

In pursuance of Article 77C of, the Reform Law (Guernsey) Law, 1948 , and all other powers enabling it in that behalf, “The Registration of Political Parties (Fees) Regulations, 2020” made by the States’ Assembly & Constitution Committee on 30th January, 2020, were laid before the States.

No. 8 of 2020

THE POLLING STATIONS (HOURS OF OPENING) REGULATIONS, 2020

In pursuance of Article 77C of the Reform Law (Guernsey) Law, 1948, and all other powers enabling it in that behalf, “The Polling Stations (Hours of Opening) Regulations, 2020” made by the States’ Assembly & Constitution Committee on 30th January, 2020, were laid before the States.

No. 9 of 2020

THE ELECTIONS (PRESENCE OF CANDIDATES AT COUNT) RULES, 2020

In pursuance of Articles 38A(5) and 78 of the Reform Law (Guernsey) Law, 1948, and all other powers enabling it in that behalf, “The Elections (Presence of Candidates at Count) Rules, 2020” made by the States’ Assembly & Constitution Committee on 30th January, 2020, were laid before the States.

No. 13 of 2020

THE ELECTORAL ROLL (PUBLIC INSPECTION) RULES, 2020

In pursuance of Sections 34(5) and (6), and 78 of the Reform Law (Guernsey) Law, 1948, the Electoral Roll (Public Inspection) Rules, 2020 made by the Committee *for* Home Affairs on 3rd February 2020, was laid before the States.

ORDINANCES LAID BEFORE THE STATES

**THE PLANT HEALTH (ENABLING PROVISIONS) (GUERNSEY) LAW, 2014 (COMMENCEMENT)
(AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE, 2020**

In pursuance of the provisions of the proviso to Article 66A(1) of The Reform (Guernsey) Law, 1948, as amended, “The Plant Health (Enabling Provisions) (Guernsey) Law, 2014 (Commencement) (Amendment) Ordinance, 2020”, made by the Policy & Resources Committee on the 4th February, 2020, was laid before the States.

THE PLANT HEALTH (IMPLEMENTATION) (GUERNSEY) ORDINANCE, 2020

In pursuance of the provisions of the proviso to Article 66A(1) of The Reform (Guernsey) Law, 1948, as amended, “The Plant Health (Implementation) (Guernsey) Ordinance, 2020”, made by the Policy & Resources Committee on the 4th February, 2020, was laid before the States.

STATES’ ASSEMBLY & CONSTITUTION COMMITTEE

**DATES OF STATES’ MEETINGS – 1st SEPTEMBER 2021 to 31st AUGUST 2024
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V: After consideration of the policy letter entitled “Dates of States’ Meetings – 1st September 2021 to 31st August 2024” dated 30th January 2020:-

1. To agree that the Meeting originally scheduled for 7th July, 2021 should be rescheduled to 14th July, 2021.
2. To agree that the dates on which States’ Meetings shall be convened in the period from the 1st September, 2021 to the 31st August, 2024 shall be as set out in Section 4 of this report.
3. To agree that statements under the provisions of Rules 10(4) and (5) shall be made by the Presidents and, in the case of the States of Alderney, the nominated Alderney Representative according to the rota set out in Section 5 of this report.
4. To delete Schedule 1 and Schedule 1a of the Rules of Procedure of the States of Deliberation and their Committees and replace with Schedule 1 as set out in Appendix 1 to this report.

COMMITTEE FOR HOME AFFAIRS

INDEPENDENT MONITORING PANEL:
NOTIFICATION OF RESIGNATION
P.2020/15

VI: After consideration of the Policy Letter dated 3rd February 2020, of the Committee for Home Affairs:

1. To note the resignation of Mr Peter Champion with effect from 22nd January 2020.

COMMITTEE FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

DEVELOPMENT OF COMPETITION LEGISLATION
P.2020/17

VII: After consideration of the Policy Letter dated 30th January 2020:-

1. To agree to amend the definition of 'merger or acquisition' and 'joint venture' as set out in paragraphs 4.1 to 4.5;
2. To agree to repeal the provision that no right, title, or interest shall pass in any property or shares on transactions that have not been notified to the Guernsey Competition and Regulatory Authority (the "GCRA"), and replace it with an ability for the GCRA to impose financial penalties for failure to notify a transaction that attracts mandatory notification, as set out in paragraphs 4.6 to 4.8;
3. To agree to insert an explicit exemption regarding the transactions set out at paragraphs 4.9 to 4.11, relating to financial institutions; and
4. To direct the preparation of such legislation as may be necessary to give effect to the above decisions.

**POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE AND
COMMITTEE FOR EMPLOYMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY**

TRANSFORMING INCOME TAX AND CONTRIBUTIONS SERVICES – THE FINAL PHASE OF THE
REVENUE SERVICE PROGRAMME
P.2020/20

VIII: After consideration of the Policy Letter entitled "Transforming Income Tax and Contributions Services – the Final Phase of the Revenue Service programme", dated 4th February, 2020:-

1. To delegate authority to the Policy & Resources Committee to approve a Capital vote of a maximum of **£12.1m** to fund the next phase of the Revenue Service programme. Funding will be divided between the Capital Reserve and the

Guernsey Insurance Fund in a presumed 2:1 split, with the final split agreed by the Policy & Resources Committee and the Committee *for* Employment & Social Security at the end of the phase. Funding will be released in stages and on approval of the necessary documentation.

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