

**IN THE STATES OF THE ISLAND OF GUERNSEY
ON THE 19TH MARCH, 2020**

Adjourned from 18th March

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

POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE

**ESTABLISHMENT OF THE SOCIAL INVESTMENT FUND
P.2020/21**

IX: After consideration of the policy letter entitled 'Establishment of the Social Investment Fund':-

1. To note that the Social Investment Fund will be established in 2020 as a Company Limited by Guarantee.
- 1A. To direct the Policy & Resources Committee to set the funding criteria for the Social Investment Fund in a way that respects, and seeks to preserve, the autonomy, creativity and political independence of charities which are eligible for funding, recognising that:
 - a strong voluntary sector – capable of addressing the needs of our community in ways that are not prioritised by the public sector, and able to challenge government policy and practice without fear or favour – is an essential pillar of any flourishing democracy; and therefore,
 - the role of charities in addressing unmet social needs, and in challenging harmful government policies and practices, should be valued equally with their ability to assist the States in achieving its own policy priorities
2. To rescind Resolutions 1, 2 and 4 of Article XIII, Billet d'État XX 2014 ('Culture and Leisure Department – Channel Islands Lottery – Administration Arrangements, Forfeited Prize Account and 2011-2013 Reports and Accounts).
3. To replace Resolution 3 of Article XIII, Billet d'État XX 2014 ('Culture and Leisure Department – Channel Islands Lottery – Administration Arrangements, Forfeited Prize Account and 2011-2013 Reports and Accounts) with "To direct that any Channel Island Lottery proceeds are to be retained in the Channel Islands Lottery (Guernsey) Fund Appropriation Account and to delegate authority to the Policy & Resources Committee to approve their use for:
 - (i) Funding initiatives designed to help and support individuals experiencing gambling problems locally;

- (ii) Providing a ring-fenced annual grant to the Committee *for* Education, Sport & Culture specifically for funding Beau Sejour Leisure Centre; and
 - (iii) Transferring to the Social Investment Fund.
4. To agree that a ring-fenced annual grant of a maximum of £700,000 per annum for the three years 2021 – 2023 be provided from the Channel Islands Lottery (Guernsey) Fund Appropriation Account to the Committee *for* Education, Sport & Culture specifically for funding Beau Sejour Leisure Centre.
 5. To note that the grant arrangement set out in proposition 4 will be reviewed by no later than December 2022 and proposals for any change made by the Policy & Resources Committee, following consultation with the Committee *for* Education, Sport & Culture, in the appropriate Budget Report.
 6. To approve the transfer of the uncommitted balance of the Channel Islands Lottery (Guernsey) Fund Appropriation Account as at 31 December 2019 to the Social Investment Fund.
 7. To agree that any balance of the Channel Islands Lottery (Guernsey) Fund Appropriation Account from 2020 onwards be transferred to the Social Investment Fund.

COMMITTEE FOR EMPLOYMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY

SCHEME FOR THE FUNDING OF MEDICAL TREATMENT FOR GUERNSEY AND ALDERNEY RESIDENTS TRAVELLING IN THE UK P.2020/22

- X: After consideration of the Policy Letter entitled ‘Scheme for the funding of medical treatment for Guernsey and Alderney residents travelling in the UK’, dated 10th February 2020:-
1. To agree that a scheme for the funding of medical treatment for Guernsey and Alderney residents travelling in the UK, as outlined in section 4 of that policy letter, should be implemented as soon as possible after the period of six months from the lifting of restrictions and warnings on off-island travel in relation to the COVID-19 pandemic and to agree that:
 - a) the scheme will only be available to those individuals who can demonstrate, in the manner and with the evidence required by the Committee *for* Employment & Social Security, their inability to obtain medical insurance for travel to the UK, either at all, or at a reasonable cost;
 - b) individuals who are approved, under the terms of the scheme set out by the Committee *for* Employment & Social Security, will be issued with documentation that can be provided to a UK hospital, should they require proof of ability to pay for NHS secondary care;

- c) individuals will be required to pay the first £250 towards their medical costs, should they require NHS secondary care, that is compliant with the terms of the scheme, as set out by the Committee *for* Employment & Social Security;
 - d) States expenditure shall be limited to a maximum of £250,000 per incident for an individual's medical treatment under the scheme;
 - e) the scheme will include the cost of repatriating a person, who was approved as being covered by the scheme, by medevac transport, should a medical professional confirm this as a necessary means of transport, and if it would be more cost effective for the States to continue, or complete, the patient's treatment in Guernsey, than it would for them to remain in the UK.
2. To direct the Committee *for* Employment & Social Security and the Committee *for* Health & Social Care to agree the practical arrangements for the implementation of the scheme set out in section 4 of that policy letter.
 3. To note that it remains the responsibility of the Policy & Resources Committee to pursue the negotiation of a Reciprocal Health Agreement between Guernsey and the United Kingdom.

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