

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

15<sup>th</sup> July, 2020

**Proposition No. P. 2020/41**

**COMMITTEE *FOR* EMPLOYMENT & SOCIAL SECURITY**  
**PROPOSALS FOR A NEW DISCRIMINATION ORDINANCE**  
**AMENDMENT**

Proposed by: Deputy J S Merrett

Seconded by: Alderney Representative E A J Snowdon

To insert the following wording at the end of Proposition 17:

“, and specifically to agree:

- a) that the birth registration process in Guernsey:
  - Should be capable of recognising and giving equal treatment to diverse family types, including same-sex couples, unmarried couples and single parents, as well as married opposite-sex couples;
  - Should be consistent with the child welfare principles of the Children (Guernsey) Law, 2008;
  - Should not include the concept of “illegitimacy”; and
  - Should not discriminate between parents on the basis of sex or on any other basis;
- b) that the Policy & Resources Committee, in consultation with the Committee *for* Employment & Social Security and the Committee *for* Health & Social Care, should prioritise work to modernise the existing birth registration legislation, and return to the States with proposals no later than December 2021; and
- c) that the Policy & Resources Committee should consult with the States of Alderney to explore whether they would wish these proposals also to extend to Alderney.”