

**IN THE STATES OF THE ISLAND OF GUERNSEY
ON THE 22nd DAY OF JULY, 2020**

**The States resolved as follows concerning Billet d'État No XV
dated 6TH July, 2020**

COMMITTEE FOR HOME AFFAIRS

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IX. To sursis the Propositions until the work set out in this Sursis Motivé has been completed, and to direct that:

1. The Committee *for* Home Affairs shall prepare evidence-based proposals for, and return to the States no later than December 2022 with, a **Justice Framework** which includes (but need not be limited to) recommendations in respect of:
 - Minimising the harm done to our community by crime,
 - Prioritising measures to address financial crime, border security and cybercrime,
 - Preventing the criminalisation of vulnerable people,
 - Promoting diversion from the criminal justice system, and from formal criminal justice measures, wherever appropriate alternatives exist,
 - Rehabilitating offenders and restoring the harm done by their actions,
 - Reviewing sentencing law and outcomes, with a commitment to reform of the law governing appeals, in particular against criminal convictions,
 - Reviewing the operation and oversight of the criminal justice system, and
 - Establishing a “whole Island” approach to justice and the prevention of crime,in accordance with the findings of the “Guernsey Justice Review: Final Report” report appended to the policy letter and summarised in the supporting report to this Sursis Motivé;
2. The Committee *for* Health & Social Care shall complete and present to the States, at the earliest possible opportunity, the **Combined Substance Use Strategy**; and
3. The Committee *for* Health & Social Care and the Committee *for* Home Affairs, informed by the results of the Combined Substance Use Strategy and no later than six months after it has been considered by the States, shall report back to the States with **options for alternative and non-punitive approaches to the possession and use of small quantities of illegal drugs** (including, but not limited, to cannabis), which take into account:

- (i) the need to promote the health, wellbeing and safety of people who use drugs, and of the wider community;
- (ii) the strategic principles of the Combined Substance Use Strategy and any evidence collected in its development, including the commissioned Independent Report on the Review of the interaction of health and justice system in relation to the possession of drugs for personal use;
- (iii) the potential for moving from a regime governed by the criminal law towards a partly or wholly regulatory approach to all aspects of personal drug use; and
- (iv) the results of consultation with the community and key stakeholders in respect of such alternative options.

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