



THE RULES OF PROCEDURE GUERNSEY YOUTH STATES' ASSEMBLY

Opening of the Meeting

(a) Prayers

1. The States Greffier will recite the Lord's Prayer in French at the start of the Meeting.

(b) Roll Call

2. The States Greffier shall, immediately after the Prayer, call the roll of Members of the Youth States' Assembly (i.e. the register) and Members present when their names are called shall reply: "Présent(e)".

(c) The business of the Meeting

3. The business at the meeting shall be taken in the following order:
 - (i) Communication by the Presiding Officer
 - (ii) Proposals for debate

Rules of debate

(d) Opening debate

4. The debate on the proposals will be taken in numerical order. The debate will be opened by the **Proposer** of a subject giving a speech in support of their proposal. They will be allowed to give a closing speech at the end of the debate.

5. The Presiding Officer will then open the debate to the Assembly.

(e) General debate

6. Any Member who wishes to speak on the proposal shall show this by standing in their place and waiting to be called to speak by the Presiding Officer.

7. When called to speak, the Member should turn their microphone on to speak and turn it off when their speech has finished. No Member may speak more than once on the same proposal.
8. When speaking in the Assembly a Member must always address the Presiding Officer, not another Member e.g. “Sir, I do not agree with the point made by Mr Smith” rather than “I do not agree with what **you** said”.
9. If you think another speaker has made a mistake in the information they are providing, you can stand in your place and say “Point of Correction” and wait for the Presiding Officer to ask you to speak to highlight this mistake. This should be a brief intervention, not a speech.

(f) Closing the debate

10. The Proposer who made the opening speech has the opportunity to reply to the debate i.e. respond to any points made in the debate.

(g) Voting

11. After the debate there will be a vote. The order of voting is the same as the order of the Roll Call (i.e. alphabetical).
12. Each Member of the Assembly will be called to vote on the proposal. A Member must switch their microphone on to vote and immediately switch it off after they have voted.
13. A Member can vote for or against the proposal:
 - Those who are in favour of the proposal will answer “Pour”
 - Those who are against will answer “Contre”
14. The Presiding Officer will announce the result of the vote.

Closing the Meeting

(h) Prayers

15. The States Greffier will say the Grace in French at the close of the Meeting.