

THE STATES OF DELIBERATION
of the
ISLAND OF GUERNSEY

25th May, 2022

Proposition No. P.2022/35

Committee for Home Affairs

Justice Framework 2022-2029

AMENDMENT

Proposed by: Deputy L Queripel

Seconded by: Deputy R G Prow

At the end of Proposition 1, add: “subject to inserting in the text of Outcome 3 at page 12 of the Framework, the words “such as mediation” immediately after “the family justice system”.

Rule 4(1) Information

- a) The proposition contributes to the States’ objectives and policy plans to maintain a safe, inclusive and equal community.
- b) In preparing the proposition, consultation has been undertaken with the Committee *for* Home Affairs.
- c) The proposition has been submitted to Her Majesty’s Procureur for advice on any legal or constitutional implications.
- d) There are no financial implications to the States of carrying the proposal into effect.

Explanatory note

The Justice Framework recognises that justice policy is much more than addressing criminal offences and the legal processes that involves. This amendment acknowledges that the concept of justice is challenging as it can mean different things to different

people and it is often informed at the individual level by people's moral views, experiences and beliefs, as well as at the community or government level.

The Framework includes seven outcomes that the States should seek to achieve over the current and next terms of government (2022-2029) delivered through the prioritisation of actions through the Justice Action Plan. Whilst the current wording of the outcomes support a broad interpretation this amendment provides a practical example of one form of alternative dispute resolution i.e. mediation that is an action for consideration under the Justice Action Plan which will follow once the Justice Framework has been approved by the Assembly. This amendment recognises that all actions in the Justice Action Plan will be prioritised and phased according to strategic need and resources in line with the approach set out in the Justice Framework 2022-2029 Policy Letter.