

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

**7<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

**Proposition No. P.2022/63**

**States' Trading Supervisory Board**

**Future Waste Charges**

**MOTION UNDER ARTICLE 7(1) OF THE REFORM (GUERNSEY) LAW, 1948**

Proposed by: Deputy H J R Soulsby

Seconded by: Deputy D J Mahoney

To suspend the Rules of Procedure to the extent necessary to permit the Proposition set out below to be considered.

**AMENDMENT**

Proposed by: Deputy H J R Soulsby

Seconded by: Deputy D J Mahoney

To insert:—

“1A. To agree that household waste charges should be increased for 2023 as set out below -

- a. 5% to the "pay as you throw" bag charge for general waste; and
- b. £5 to the Waste Disposal Authority's annual waste charge.”

**Rule 4(1) Information**

- a) The Proposition contributes to the States’ objectives and policy plans following recognition in the Government Work Plan 2022 that “the increasing cost of living, [is one of the] most pressing and immediate domestic pressures which the States must tackle.”

- b) The Committee has notified the States' Trading Supervisory Board and the Committee *for the* Environment & Infrastructure that it intends to lodge this Secondary Proposition.
- c) The Proposition has been submitted to Her Majesty's Procureur for advice on any legal or constitutional implications.
- d) Waste charges are generally increased from 1<sup>st</sup> January based on the previous June inflation figure. If the Proposition is successful, the financial implication is a shortfall that would result in additional cost for general revenue that is the same for 2023 as the St Pier/Oliver amendment, and therefore the cost compared to the proposal in STSB's policy letter will be £280k (ongoing).

#### Explanatory note

The Policy & Resources Committee is mindful that the Assembly will consider a Secondary Proposition to cap waste charge increases for the remainder of the political term.

It is of the view that should the States wish to take direct action to influence today's high inflation environment by taking steps with respect to those prices and inflationary inputs which are under their control, there is value in adopting an incremental and thereby responsive approach. This Amendment offers the States choice by adjusting the timeframe to one year such that the States' Trading Supervisory Board will necessarily bring proposals to the States in due course for 2024.