

THE STATES OF DELIBERATION
of the
ISLAND OF GUERNSEY

23rd November, 2022

Proposition No. P.2022/90

Policy & Resources Committee and States' Trading Supervisory Board

Alderney Airport Runway Rehabilitation

AMENDMENT

Proposed by: Deputy C Blin

Seconded by: Deputy C P Meerveld

To delete both Propositions and insert in their place:

1. To agree that Option A remains the preferred baseline approach as resolved in 2019 to provide refurbishment and maintain the proportionate infrastructure at Alderney Airport with the minimum works required to support ongoing Code B aircraft operations including Dornier 228 and Britten Norman Islander with some safeguarding for a future extension where there is little or no impact on cost; and direct the States' Trading Supervisory Board to progress the proposals.
2. To agree that it is pragmatic and proportionate to enhance Alderney Airport through additional work to include thicker pavement construction and minor amendments to taxiway alignments and apron extents to safeguard for future Code C aircraft with security arrangements to be enhanced to meet minimum aviation security regulatory requirements through the provision of a modular building as set out in Option B; and direct the Policy & Resources Committee to update the capital portfolio accordingly and the States' Trading Supervisory Board to progress the proposals.
3. To direct the Policy & Resources Committee on behalf of the States of Guernsey to negotiate with the Policy & Finance Committee of the States of Alderney in order to secure capital funding for the modular building; and if a reasonable and robust agreement cannot be reached, to direct that the Policy & Resources Committee reverts to the States of Guernsey for further consideration of options to secure funding for Option B.

Rule 4(1) Information

- a) The Propositions contribute to the States' objectives and policy plans by maintaining their contribution to the maintenance of the airfield in Alderney as set out as an objective in the Government Work Plan for this term while not increasing the cost of the provision of the service by upgrading to a Code C airport.
- b) In preparing the Propositions, consultation has been undertaken with both sponsoring Committees.
- c) The Propositions have been submitted to His Majesty's Procureur for advice on any legal or constitutional implications.
- d) There are no financial implications to the States of carrying the proposal set out in Proposition 1 into effect as the States have already approved the proposal and set funding aside. The financial implications to the States of carrying into effect the proposal set out in Proposition 2 are established in the Policy Letter as c£1.3m. Proposition 2 directs the necessary update to the capital portfolio in order that the Policy & Resources Committee has the necessary delegated authority to fund the enhanced project.

Explanatory note

It is the opinion of the proposer and seconder to this Amendment that the proposals presented in this Policy Letter exceed the intent of the requirements on the States of Guernsey and are seeking support only to invest such that a Code B airport is maintained.

This Amendment removes Option C+, construction of a new larger airport to accommodate Code C aircraft and replaces it with two alternative Propositions which enable States Members to reaffirm the previous decision to comprehensively repair the existing runway and, if they wish, to authorise additional improvements to future-proof facilities.

The first Proposition enables Members to reaffirm the extant Resolution to repair the existing runway comprehensively to facilitate continued utilisation by Code B aircraft like those being used now.

The second Proposition enables Members to support enhancements to the existing facilities to meet minimum aviation security regulatory requirements and improve the taxiway and apron to safeguard for any potential future upgrades to accommodate Code C aircraft.

The third Proposition directs the Policy & Resources Committee to initiate negotiations with the States of Alderney regarding funding the additional facilities if the second Proposition is approved.