# of the ISLAND OF GUERNSEY

23<sup>rd</sup> November 2022

Proposition No. P.2022/74

### **Committee for Health & Social Care**

# **Review of the Children Law and Outcomes**

## **AMENDMENT**

Proposed by: Deputy A H Brouard Seconded by: Deputy M P Leadbeater

- 1. To delete Proposition 10c and substitute therefor:
  - "c. Restrict the Children's Convenor, on being notified, from undertaking any investigation or action in relation to a case subject to a court application, with the exception of matters unrelated to the substantive application.

#### Rule 4(1) Information

- a) The Proposition contributes to the delivery of the States' objectives as set out in the Government Work Plan, which includes the 'Review Children Law and Outcomes' action.
- b) Consultation has been undertaken with the Children & Young People's Board.
- c) The Proposition has been submitted to His Majesty's Procureur for advice on any legal or constitutional implications.
- d) It is not considered that there will be any significant financial implications of carrying this proposal into effect.

### **Explanatory Note**

It is important that when a case moves to the court forum that court proceedings are given precedence over any paused or continuing Tribunal proceedings and that concurrent proceedings are avoided wherever possible.

This Amendment seeks to make clear what the role of the Children's Convenor is when a case previously before the Tribunal or which has been referred to the Children's Convenor proceeds to court by way of a substantive application such as Community Parenting Order.