

THE STATES OF DELIBERATION
of the
ISLAND OF GUERNSEY

7th November, 2023

Proposition No. P.2023/114

Policy & Resources Committee

The States of Guernsey Annual Budget for 2024

AMENDMENT

Proposed by: Deputy G St Pier

Seconded by: Deputy C Meerveld

To insert a new proposition as follows:

“To direct that the Policy & Resources Committee shall be permitted to use delegated authorities only to approve further expenditure in relation to capital projects approved by the resolutions made by the States on 20th October 2023 and not in respect of any other projects (other than essential minor capital expenditure in respect of de-funded projects), unless the States have first approved proposals from the Committee to demonstrate affordability including, for example, commensurate reductions in other capital projects or increases in revenue sufficient to service the interest and repay the capital of any additional debt required.”

Rule 4(1) Information

- a. The proposition contributes to the States’ objectives and policy plans by improving equity within the tax system.
- b. Regrettably it has not been possible prior to the filing deadline to consult with the Policy & Resources Committee.
- c. The proposition has been submitted to His Majesty’s Procureur for advice on any legal or constitutional implications.
- d. There are no additional funding costs associated with the amendment.

Explanatory note

This is a belt-and-braces amendment to put beyond doubt that it is only those capital projects approved as a result of the resolutions following the Financing & Investment Plan debate that may proceed. Other than essential minor capital expenditure in respect of de-

funded projects, if the Committee wishes to proceed with any other essential projects, for example, delivery of the Transforming Education Project, it will be necessary to return to the States for further authority to demonstrate that such projects are affordable and within the States' means including, for example, either by reducing other capital projects or increasing revenue to pay for any debt required to deliver the proposed project.