

Resolutions

IN THE STATES OF THE ISLAND OF GUERNSEY

ON THE 26th DAY OF MAY 2005

(Meeting adjourned from 25th May, 2005)

The States resolved as follows concerning Billet d'État No V
dated 6th May, 2005

ENVIRONMENT DEPARTMENT

**THE FUTURE OF SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL IN GUERNSEY –
RESPONSE TO THE REPORT OF THE PANEL OF INQUIRY**

After consideration of the Report dated 1st April, 2005, of the Environment Department:-

1. To direct the Environment Department, in consultation with the UK Department for Constitutional Affairs, to seek agreement to Duly Motivated Requests submitted to France and Germany for the export of municipal solid waste.
2. To agree not to wait until 2008 to determine a long-term waste management strategy.
3. To agree that the Environment Department shall continue to investigate the potential of working jointly with Jersey as set out in paragraph 11.10 of that Report and report back to the States at the earliest opportunity.
4. To authorise the Environment Department, in liaison with the Treasury and Resources Department, to appoint new independent consultants to carry out waste audits and predict future waste arisings as set out in paragraph 14.5 of that report.
5. To authorise the Environment Department, in liaison with the Treasury and Resources Department, to work with DEFRA's independent consultants as set out in paragraph 15.3 of that Report and report back to the States at the earliest opportunity.
6. To agree that air pollution monitoring should continue at Longue Hougue pending a decision on the long-term waste disposal strategy and that all associated costs and utilities standing charges continue to be raised against the EfW loan facility.
7. To agree that the Environment Department should pursue those interim waste minimisation and recycling initiatives set out in section 14 of that Report, but so as also to include the recycling of plastic PET bottles, but:
 - (a) with the exception of the initiative (set out on page 531) '*In liaison with the Public Services Department and the private sector, pilot the diversion of mixed waste from Mont Cuet to waste sorting facilities for segregation*'; and
 - (b) to direct and authorise, as a matter of the highest urgency:
 - (i) the Environment Department, to identify, in liaison with the Public Services Department and the private sector, the most advantageous site suitable for the sorting of all mixed waste:

- (ii) the Treasury and Resources Department, to approve the issue and acceptance of tenders to set up, provide plant for, and operate such a site for a minimum of 3 years;
 - (iii) the Environment Department, in liaison with the Public Services Department, to take all such other measures as are necessary for all mixed waste to be diverted to such a site, in order to minimise the waste entering Mont Cuet.
- 8. To direct the Treasury and Resources Department to authorise the Department to appoint, on a three year contract, additional resources as set out in paragraph 18.4 of that Report.
- 9. To direct the Treasury and Resources Department to take account of the revenue and additional staff costs, of introducing interim waste minimisation and recycling initiatives, as set out in section 18 of that report and to increase the Department's budget accordingly.
- 10. To direct the Environment Department to report back to the States on those areas of the Waste Management Plan that could be resolved in advance of the decision on the long-term strategy, as set out in paragraph 17.6 of that Report.
- 11. To direct the Environment Department to explore, as a matter of urgency, the procurement and funding options for a green waste composting facility and civic amenity sites and to report back to the States at the earliest opportunity.
- 12. To direct:
 - (a) the Environment Department, by advertisement and other reasonable means, but without delay, to seek from interested waste management and related operators across the globe complete packages of waste management and disposal solutions for Guernsey; and to report back to the States on all such proposed packages by not later than the date on which they report back to the States on their proposed long-term solution to Guernsey's waste problem;
 - (b) the Treasury and Resources Department to allocate adequate funding for the Environment Department to carry out that brief.

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