# THE STATES OF DELIBERATION Of the ISLAND OF GUERNSEY

24<sup>th</sup> November, 2016

Proposition No. P.2016/49

## **AMENDMENT**

Proposed by: Deputy P R Le Pelley Seconded by: Deputy C P Meerveld

## **Committee for Education, Sport & Culture**

## The Future Structure of Secondary Education in the Bailiwick

To delete all the Propositions and substitute therefor a single Proposition as follows:

1. To rescind Resolution 1 on Billet d'État VII of 2016; to agree that all-ability States' secondary schools shall not be introduced and that instead selection by ability at 11 years shall continue to determine the admission of students to States' secondary schools; and to direct that by no later than June 2017 the Committee for Education, Sport & Culture shall submit a policy letter or policy letters containing proposals for the future use of the education estate, including consideration of the La Mare de Carteret Schools' site and the College of Further Education, and any other proposals or proposals for variations to previous States' Resolutions which the Committee considers necessary for the delivery of selective admission to secondary schools.

#### **Explanatory Note**

This amendment has been submitted in response to the letter of comment dated 16<sup>th</sup> November 2016 (P.2016/49 PRC Lett Com) from the Policy & Resources Committee. It removes references to the dates and focuses the debate purely on the issue of whether to reinstate selection at 11. The Policy and Resources Committee recognises that there will be different resource implications attached to each of the options (i.e. selective, non-selective systems) that will need to be considered by the Assembly once the decision has been made. The education estate will be addressed in the subsequent Policy Letter.

The resolutions below are those of  $15^{th}$  March 2016 made after consideration of the Education Department's policy letter dated  $8^{th}$  January 2016 entitled THE FUTURE

STRUCTURE OF SECONDARY AND POST-16 EDUCATION they are included here for ease of cross referencing to the above amendment.

- 1. To agree that the current selective admission of students to States' secondary schools and the grant-aided Colleges based predominantly on the 11 Plus examination shall be replaced with effect from September 2019 (for new Year 7 students) by non-selective admission to States' secondary schools based predominantly on a feeder system from primary schools and that the States' secondary schools shall set students by ability as appropriate.
- 1A. That 11 to 16 education in the States' sector shall be provided in three schools, ideally of a broadly comparable size but in any event of a size capable of securing equality of opportunity for all students
- 1B. To direct the Committee for Education, Sport & Culture to publish by 2017 a policy for the identification and support of the most able, gifted and talented children in Guernsey and Alderney; and the desired outcomes from such a policy, the measurement of those outcomes and any resources required.
- 1C. To direct the Committee for Education, Sport & Culture to review and publish by December 2017 a policy for managing disruptive behaviour in order that classroom disruption is minimised and those who need extra support to engage in education are accommodated and helped without detriment to the education of others; along with the desired outcomes from such a policy, the measurement of those outcomes and any resources required.
- 2. To direct that as soon as practicable, but in any event during 2016 or 2017, the Committee for Education, Sport & Culture shall submit a policy letter to the States with the capital and revenue implications and recommendations in respect of:
- a) the optimum changes to the education estate which are necessary to give effect to the States' policies contained in Propositions 1 and 1A, provided that the Committee shall first have considered the following options:
  - i) redeveloping a secondary school at La Mare de Carteret; and ceasing 11 to 16 education at Les Varendes and consolidating post-16 education, including sixth form studies and the College of Further Education, at Les Varendes and Les Ozouets; and ii) maintaining 11 to 19 education, i.e. including a sixth form, at Les Varendes; and ceasing 11 to 16 education at La Mare de Carteret.
- b) any changes to the education estate which are considered necessary in relation to the facilities and services other than the secondary school

previously proposed as part of the redevelopment of the site at La Mare de Carteret, e.g. pre-school, primary school, communication and autism centre, enhanced sports facilities and community facilities.

- c) any changes to the education estate not incorporated in a)i) and ii) above which are considered necessary to develop the College of Further Education, the need for which has been recognised by the States on several occasions and is referred to in that Policy Letter.
- d) the role, consistent with Proposition 1, of the grant-aided colleges (Blanchelande College, Elizabeth College and The Ladies' College) in the provision of secondary education and detailed proposals for any new funding arrangements with those grant-aided colleges together with the rationale for the quantum of grant-aid recommended.
- 3. To agree that pending the completion of any capital works approved by the States following their consideration of the policy letter envisaged in Proposition 2, it may be necessary to provide funding both to maintain the existing schools at La Mare de Carteret and to ensure the recruitment and retention of secondary school teachers.
- 4. To delegate authority to the Policy & Resources Committee to provide funding from the Capital Reserve and the Transformation and Transition Fund, as appropriate, to the Committee for Education, Sport & Culture to allow the Committee for Education, Sport & Culture to give effect to Propositions 1, 1A, 2 and 3 and to direct the Policy & Resources Committee to report to the States within six months of any use of this delegated authority.