

STATES OF DELIBERATION
of the
ISLAND of GUERNSEY

5th June 2018

Proposition No. P2018/45

THE POLICY & RESOURCE PLAN (2017 REVIEW AND 2018 UPDATE)

AMENDMENT

Proposed by: Deputy G. A. St Pier

Seconded by: Deputy L. S. Trott

To insert, new propositions 1. r) and s) as follows:

- “r) the Policy & Resources Committee to
- (a) take steps to ensure accountability between Principal Committees and support services delivered by the Policy & Resources Committee, recognising that:-
- while Committees are independently responsible to the States of Deliberation for exercising the functions conferred on them by resolution of, or legislation approved by, the States of Deliberation, Principal Committees are dependent upon the support available from Policy & Resources in various operational areas, including HR, ICT, Finance, Data Protection, Health and Safety;
 - it is conducive to effective and efficient government that these operational services should be provided centrally;
 - such services need to be clearly defined with mechanisms in place to ensure responsibilities are understood and accountabilities established; and
- (b) request the Chief Executive to provide an update in the annual report of the Chief Executive; and
- s) the States’ Assembly & Constitution Committee to consider after appropriate consultation whether any changes are necessary to The Rules of Procedure of the States of Deliberation and its Committees so to reflect appropriately the relationship between Principal Committees and operational services provided by the Policy & Resources Committee.”

Explanatory Note

The Policy & Resource Plan acknowledges the need to reconcile policy objectives with the allocation of resources. This amendment seeks to ensure that consideration is also given to the operation of support services, acknowledging that the Principal Committees are dependent on those services provided by the Policy & Resources Committee for the discharge of their primary functions. This amendment directs the Policy & Resources Committee to consider the steps possible to ensure responsibilities are understood and accountabilities established.