

STATES OF DELIBERATION

6th November 2018

Proposition No. P2018/108

AMENDMENT

Proposed by: Deputy G A St Pier

Seconded by: Deputy L S Trott

POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE

THE STATES OF GUERNSEY ANNUAL BUDGET FOR 2019

To insert, immediately after Proposition 50, the following Proposition –

“51. To direct the Committee *for* Health & Social Care, when reporting back to the States in 2019 with proposals for projects over the next five years to deliver on the aims of the Drug & Alcohol Strategy, to include (i) policy proposals for future increases in the rate of excise duty on alcohol and (ii) consideration of any additional requirements for support for Islanders who experience problems with alcohol misuse and any associated requirements for funding

Explanatory Note

THE POLICY & RESOURCES COMMITTEE INTENDS TO SUPPORT THIS AMENDMENT

This amendment is based on that submitted by Deputies Soulsby and Tooley (numbered 19) but seeks to ensure that the States make an informed and evidence based policy decision on future increases in the rate of excise duty for alcohol which help support the aims of the Drug & Alcohol Strategy as part of the policy letter intended on this subject in 2019.

The amendment also requires that, at that time, the States consider the appropriate level of support for Islanders who experience problems with alcohol misuse and what additional funding might be required to support this in addition to the funding already committed for this purpose. Such support could be provided by the Health Improvement Commission. Funding can then be prioritised and considered as part of the 2020 Budget.