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# Tourism Product and Customer Experience Strategic Review





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Dear Mr. Hopkins,

In accordance with our Contract (the "Contract") dated 2nd October 2017, we present our Tourism Product and Customer Experience Review (the "Report") to the Committee of Economic Development of the States of Guernsey (the "Client" or "you" or "yours").

Our Report has been prepared solely for the purposes of providing you with feedback from the interviews with stakeholders carried to date and our interim review of the Island's tourism product offering gained through visits and review of data. The report is to help inform your strategic thinking for the prioritization of tourism development and should not be relied upon for any other purpose.

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### Introduction and Executive Summary

### Summary Terms of Reference (ToR)

#### Guernsey's tourism objectives

The Tourism Strategic plan 2015-25 recognised the industry as being a significant contributor to Guernsey's GDP and had an objective to grow visitor numbers by 3% per annum. This was to be supported by several key initiatives:

- Evaluate new and stronger route connections to the Island
- 2. Strengthen the Island's product offering
- 3. Develop an exceptional visitor experience
- 4. Develop a positive environment for growth and investment
- 5. Develop marketing and messaging that is consistent and compelling

#### The issues

Visitor growth targets have **not been achieved**. There have been numerous problems with the **ferry connectivity** including reduced sailing frequencies combined with technical problems with **air connectivity** becoming uncompetitive in terms of schedules, source destinations and pricing. In addition, market research has highlighted that the Island is seen as **expensive** and with **limited attractions and things to do.** 

#### **Summary Terms of Reference**

A separate review is being undertaken on connectivity. The ToR addressed by this Report covers **initiatives 2,3 and 4**. This is to consider Guernsey's target markets and assess whether it has the offering to attract these, how they compare to other relevant destinations and where the gaps and deficiencies are. The review involves consultations with stakeholders across the industry, review of tourism data, site visits and benchmarking. Based on this assessment, recommendations have been provided on **achievable** proposals to **improve the product and visitor experience** with reference to the target markets, investment funding mechanism options and government policy and legislation. (Full details on the ToR are in Appendix 1).

## In preparing this Report, PwC have consulted with a wide range of stakeholders and gathered insights from multiple sources

Interviewed c.28 stakeholders in the tourism sector

Visited key tourism attractions (c.20), hotels and self-catering establishments (15-20)

Analysed internal data provided by the Economic Development Department and gathered external insights and benchmarks

Interviewed selected external and PwC market experts

### Guernsey's tourism situation and overall current product position

#### Tourism success factors, Government role and Guernsey's overall position

Successful tourism requires having clear **market positioning** based on attractors and experiences that address these markets and, most fundamental of all, having **good accessibility** in terms of **frequency and cost**. The optimal role of Government in promoting tourism is primarily to support accessibility, provide **inbound infrastructure** and **fund promotion**. It can also **enable private sector** investment in products though **policies** and **incentives**, and **support the funding** of a country's important heritage and cultural sites.

Guernsey's tourism has **declined over many years**. An already uncompetitive proposition has been exacerbated by its relatively **high cost** and **difficulty of access** particularly in comparison to main competitor destinations such as Jersey and UK South West. The Island relies heavily on repeat, mainly elderly (50+ ABC1) visitors, and those visiting friends and relations, and there appears to be limited new growth other than in some niche pockets.

#### Overall current product and visitor experience position

In our review we have focussed on the Island's tourism products; ranging from heritage and culture, the Bailiwick Islands, activities, events and attractions, and the overall visitor experience. It is noted that Guernsey does not have a stand out, "must visit", anchor attractor that can overcome the very significant accessibility disadvantage; its military heritage and occupation sites and story do not compare to other leading destinations in this niche such as Flanders, Normandy beaches and Auschwitz. The cultural offering is relatively small and the landscape and islands, while scenic, do not have the majesty of other competing coast lines in Cornwall, Dorset, Scotland etc. The outdoor activities are also competitively more limited due to the Island's size. The events held provide interest for locals but will take time to develop into a tourist draw. Of the key enablers, the restaurant offering is good but not internationally noteworthy to be a draw on its own. The accommodation sector has suffered from overall steady decline and underinvestment as the visitor market declines, with only a few examples of new development.

The visitor experience needs significant improvement in order to meet modern tourists' expectations. The logistics of getting around the Island (e.g. taxis, parking, signage) are unsatisfactory. Many heritage attractions look stale and are often untidy with poor signage and limited toilet and disabled access facilities. It is noted that Guernsey does not have a clear unique selling point to help differentiate its brand positioning. It addresses a broad visitor market segment but does not have the marketing budget nor investment (public or private) to achieve much headway, and as such falls short in many areas.

## Guernsey should focus on a strategy for developing its overall visitor 'experience' that better addresses the core 50+ market

#### **Overall Summary for Product and Experience Strategic Focus**

Without a stand out anchor attractor, it would be a mistake to look at individual products in isolation from each other. Rather, it is the overall guest experience or 'journey' that is critical, encompassing numerous product elements to make for a quality and fulfilling holiday / destination.

The accessibility barrier will be the 'new normal' for some time, if always, while debate continues on a runway extension and thus the product strategy needs to adapt to this and be very focused on the markets it sets out to compete for. We advise that for Guernsey to maintain or even grow its visitor base it needs to focus very clearly on the market segments who are least price sensitive and who would more value the overall 'experience' the Island has to offer. This we believe is the younger baby boomer (50-64 ABC1), empty nester, segment which we think is under penetrated today.

Through focused **branding**, supported by **selected developments of heritage and cultural assets**, and **modernisation** across many of the key facilities, Guernsey could start to differentiate itself from Jersey in particular and become part of the core UK and European short break destinations. It is blessed with a visually attractive, quaint but under developed leisure destination in **St Peter Port and the harbour estate**.

We cover in the report our recommendations for the **key target market and the priorities** for how the Island can better position itself to target this market (through the improvement and development of its product offering) and note the range of Government interventions that can both drive the change and support the private sector to invest.

Our recommended next steps include further studies into the feasibility of infrastructure development, assessment of specific policy changes and reviews of structural options within Government for the ownership and management of assets and investment in specific facilities immediately. We do not address the **connectivity strategy** nor specifically the **role of the DMO VisitGuernsey** as these are out of our scope, but again reinforce our view that the success of any product strategy will be almost **wholly dependent** on both.

### Summary conclusions: At-a-glance

Market trends

and core target

for Guernsey

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Guernsey's visitor numbers have suffered a **long term downward** trend while Jersey has seen slight improvements since the arrival of low cost carriers. Though targeting the 50+ segment, the current visitors are mainly more elderly (55+) and repeat. The Island is seen as being too expensive with insufficient things / activities to do. With access costs unlikely to reduce, Guernsey will remain uncompetitive for many younger segments and thus needs to focus its positioning and marketing on the younger baby boomer (50-64), empty nester segment who are less price sensitive. However this segment do expect a high quality overall experience in terms of heritage and culture, accommodation, eating out and activities. The **US** and **European markets** appear to be underpenetrated, and could be better targeted with additional resources. The **cruise** market is expected to continue to grow, and can be targeted to encourage returns

Priority product development recommend-ations

The overall 'experience' and associated products that fit the **50+ baby boomer** segment should be the core focus, while also improving the experience for the more elderly segments. Without a truly compelling tourist attractor, we advise that the Island develops a high quality short break experience more clearly based on the visually attractive and quaint **St Peter Port itself** with the harbour estate as the centrepiece 'attraction'. This will need to be supported by investing in and upscaling much of the core associated **heritage**, **cultural**, **island archipelago**, **activity products and events**. We believe that a Castle Cornet redevelopment including many leisure components such as retail, F&B, and even a boutique hotel would be viable and will enhance the tourist offering. Heritage and culture sites need to be **considerably modernised**, regenerated and better managed to become more compelling attractions, while product propositions based on **Victor Hugo** could be very appealing

Supporting improvement recommendations

A number of **physical improvements are critical** to make the overall **visitor experience** much more fulfilling. These include transport options, parking, toilets, disabled facilities and signage. We were advised of many other areas requiring an upgrade, but saw these as more to improve resident amenity than to improve tourism. We do not advise a major investment in a new attraction or major international event as cannot see this being **economically viable** 

Accommodation and planning policy

There is a wide mix of accommodation on the Island with some good recent development. However, much of the old stock has been **under invested**, with falling occupancy and closures, particularly coastal hotels. The short season and falling visitor numbers within this are making some other coastal properties unviable, while relatively **tight planning laws** are discouraging new investment. We note that despite this there are pinch points in peak season but there is a **lack of flexible 'swing' rooms provided** by offerings such as Airbnb. We recommend **some policy liberation** following a full scenario review of the sector

Funding and structure mechanisms

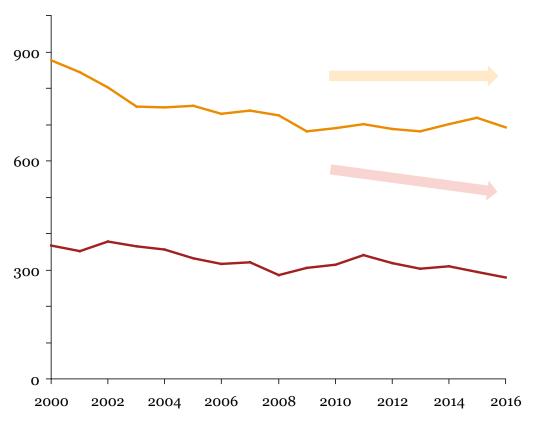
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Our Priority areas of focus will require significant funds, though the business cases for these 'infrastructure' investments will be a combination of business, residential and tourism revenue and GDP value generation. We highlight that there are a number of **public / private funding mechanisms** and alternative operating structures such as charitable foundations that can be applied to share the risks and benefits while promoting more **entrepreneurial** and **sustainable innovation** in the sector



### Guernsey has faced a consistent decline in visitors as its historic core summer holiday market has reduced and not been replaced

#### Historical number of visitors to Jersey\* and Guernsey, in '000 2000-2016



Note: \*The methodology for capturing visitor data in Jersey changed in 2016 and may have an impact on trend Numbers for Guernsey exclude cruise ship passengers and visiting yachtsmen Source: States of Guernsey Information, Visit Jersey, Government of Jersey

	CAGR (70)			
	2000-05	2005-10	2010-16	
<b>—</b> Guernsey	-1.9%	-1.1%	-1.9%	
Jersev	-3.1%	-1.7%	0.0%	

Jersey

CAGR (%)

- Guernsey's visitor numbers have gradually declined as its historic core summer market has been impacted by the growth of lower cost, more attractive destinations for the UK customer. However, Guernsey Visitor Exit Survey shows some improvement in tourist figures between Q3 2016 and Q3 2017
- The current core visitor base to Guernsey is 45+, with a large proportion that is elderly (35% above the age of 65), and the majority are repeat visitors (c.60%)
- Guernsey's visitor feedback is that the Island is too expensive to get to and stay in and there is not enough to do
- Meanwhile, Jersey has managed to reverse a steeper decline since 2000, and has attracted low cost carriers (e.g. EasyJet started flying between London Gatwick and Jersey in 2013)



## Younger higher spending Baby Boomers should be the core market focus, including those in Europe and the US

#### **Summary of travel market trends**

The Baby Boomer and the Swing generation market (50+) represents approximately 44% of the UK outbound travel volume and 48% of the total spend, displaying high growth, especially for the 65+. This demographic is the wealthiest and has low price sensitivity

**Gastronomy**, **culture**, **wellness and activity** holidays are growing trends in the travel market, especially for Baby Boomers

The UK independent holiday market has been growing at a faster rate compared to the traditional packaged holiday market, and is forecast to drive growth in the next few years

The **cruise market** is expected to continue to grow, driven by aging population, penetration into younger segments and increased spending

**US tourists** are one of the largest inbound groups into the UK and are also in the core age range. Many seek two centre holidays combining London with **one other destination** 

The European visitor market appears underexploited, particularly the French market and its connection to Victor Hugo

#### **Implications for Guernsey**

Guernsey can make itself more attractive to the young Baby Boomer segment (50+) seeking short/city breaks, currently a core market for Guernsey, in addition to retaining/growing the 65+ market. These consumers look for high quality experiences and have high expectations for accommodation standards, restaurant and retail offering, and overall service levels. They holiday out of season and are flexible with length of stays

Guernsey could **leverage more of its current assets**, such as the F&B offering, and **enhance its cultural / heritage proposition** to better satisfy this segment

Greater focus required on developing and facilitating the **short stay multi Island** proposition. While fitting consumer requirements, it helps extend the season and avoids exacerbating the capacity issue in peak season

While cruise passengers are day visitors and are **relatively low spend**, return rates for longer stays are increasing. Guernsey could have more active initiatives that expand a **cruise visitor's experience of the Island** and its attractions

Guernsey's historic Victorian/Edwardian aura would **be very attractive** to this segment. With the new film and low exchange rate there is now **a perfect opportunity to tie in with US operators** offering two centre UK holidays

Guernsey has become a **genuinely good value** proposition for the European market. The **French** market in particular could be directly targeted, while feedback from German and Dutch visitors is positive

### Priority product development recommendations

Creating a high quality experience that attracts the **50+ baby boomer** segment should be the strategic focus while improving the proposition for the more elderly customer segments. The Island lacks a truly **compelling tourist anchor attractor** but we advise that the visually distinctive **St Peter Port itself** and harbour estate should be the centrepiece around which the proposition can be strengthened and the Island can be marketed. This should be supported by investing in, quasi privatising, modernising, and upscaling some core associated **military heritage**, **cultural** and **leisure**, **island archipelago and activity products and events** 

Greater activation of Castle Cornet

As the **centrepiece** of the port and the stand out heritage site it is **significantly under activated**. The surrounding area is **poorly** presented and used. Inside, the museums are well curated but are not distinctive enough to be a main tourist draw and are relatively small. As with many other such sites e.g. **Oxford Castle**, the castle can be sympathetically developed to be more 'alive' and distinctive. This could include conversion of buildings with a mix of F&B, tailored retail, hosting of regular events (shows and markets) and potentially a unique boutique hotel

Redevelop the harbour area around attractions A **huge underexploited** space that currently detracts from the town behind. There are many examples globally of ports being successfully regenerated as vibrant leisure and commercial areas. For tourism purposes the focus would be on the area around Castle Cornet. However we recognise this would be part of a **much more substantial masterplan** for the harbour estate upon which the viability will be primarily dependent on the **economic case** for the financial services and other business sectors and the opportunity to lease out a range of real estate components

Military Heritage, Defence & Occupation This is the Island's **main 'story**' and it is relatively unique in retaining most Napoleonic and WW2 fortifications. While **not a sufficiently compelling stand alone attractor**, these need to be much better managed, packaged and presented to impact the overall Island experience. In conjunction with the GLPPS\* film promotion, investment and work is required to create the **cohesive narrative**, improve the signage and accessibility, modernise many sites to meet the need of the modern traveller, and develop some sites into **alternative leisure** use (see section on Accommodation). The display from the **Occupation Museum** needs to be protected.

Other Heritage and Culture The Island is blessed with having connections to an international **literary icon** in **Victor Hugo**. However, this though is not given **sufficient prominence** or exploited. The Island needs to own its VH story with investment in more events associated with the author, more exposure given to key sites on the Island to project its Anglo French heritage. This has **proven appeal** to the French market and will be of interest to the UK and US markets

<sup>\*</sup>The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society

### Additional improvement recommendations

A number of the other products, while having a lower impact, could nonetheless be significantly enhanced to make the overall visitor experience much more fulfilling. We do not advise a major investment in a new attraction or major international event as cannot see this being economically viable. We do recommend some urgent improvement to the physical infrastructure supporting tourism and the visitor experience such as transport, parking, amenities such as toilets, disabled access and signage

Bailiwick Islands

These are an **attractive and potentially differentiated**, but underexploited, proposition for visitors. Issues with Sark will take a long time to resolve and detract from its appeal today. Opportunities exist to better activate the **sea aspect** with more **day cruises**, **dolphin and bird spotting** etc. Visitor **transit experience is poor**, in particular the parking arrangements which are highly restrictive

Activity/ Wellness **None** of the Island's activity offerings are **a stand alone tourist draw** relative to better options in UK, though can form an attractive part of an overall 'health and wellness' package. The most important is **walking**, which is unchallenging but offers pleasant scenery and could be much better leveraged including more events (e.g. challenges) and much better signage. To attract the main **wellness** market will require more spa and indoor activity options which need to be provided by hotels and will depend upon their own business cases

**Events** 

The majority of the current events **appear well received**, though mainly attract residents to date. However these may not yet be sufficiently differentiated and it can take many years for an event to become established as a tourist draw. We do **not recommend looking at sports** events to attract tourists as can be expensive to host with limited legacy. We have noted that there is a potential base of **Art & Sculpture** on the Island and plans put forward to exploit this. Art has proven successful with the core market in other destinations and should be assessed

Other Products

We noted other existing and potential new products for development. Given their **limited scale and positioning** we advise that they are out of scope for attracting tourists, being more local amenities with tangential visitor benefit. We also do not see a feasible case for any large scale 'theme park / family entertainment' type attraction on the Island, as this would need to be underpinned by local use which would be insufficient to support anything notable of scale

Visitor Experiences Other than those noted above, we believe there are **many improvements** to the visitor experience. While the Bus service is good, this is unlikely to be attractive to the target segment who will prefer cars or taxis. Taxi service appears relatively inflexible and a hailing app could be very beneficial. **Parking in St Peter Port is very poor for day visitors** and the lack of an all day parking facility is an issue. **Signage**, particularly for tourist activities, is weak or non existent on the Island. Marketing appears weak, with limited product bundling and limited opening hours out of season

### Accommodation and planning policy

There is a wide mix of accommodation on the Island with some good recent development. However much of the old stock has been under invested, with falling occupancy and closures, particularly of coastal hotels. The short season, and falling numbers within this, is making many more coastal properties unviable, while tight planning laws are discouraging new investment. We note that despite this there are pinch points in peak season but there is a lack of flexible 'swing' rooms enabled by offerings such as Airbnb

**Performance** 

Guernsey's accommodation performance is **overall weak**, with declining number of beds and stagnating occupancy rates. Capacity is claimed to be constrained during a few peak months particularly for charters, which is problematic given the current **limited swing flexibility** that would have historically been offered by guest houses and B&Bs, of which there are few

Range & Quality

While the mix of hotels and self catering by star rating **appears appropriate** and similar to other destinations, this can be **misleading as not a good judge of quality** and feedback. Our own observation is that many of the hotels are not of a quality to meet the target markets' more modern expectations. We also note the restrictions placed on Airbnb type letting which we think should be relaxed. This will provide more flexibility as well as being attractive to all market segments including the 50+ segment

Future offering

The Island would need more **high quality boutique hotels** as well as **quality budget** hotels. An attractive angle for the target market are 'heritage hotels' which provide an immersive and unique experience and a revenue source on unused assets. The wellness offering with Spas and fitness classes is under developed and we encourage hotels to better leverage activities on the Island such as walking in 'health & wellness' packages

Liberating planning

We recognise the concern over reforming the Change of Use rules leading to a rapid decline in bed stock. We do though believe that this needs a detailed study of options before allowing market forces to be allowed to play out to ensure that there is a reorientation of stock volume and quality to enable viability in the current market. Accommodation will need to be attractive to both businesses and upmarket tourists to extend the season. We also think that a number of the State's assets could be successfully redeveloped into a hospitality offering as seen in other markets including Jersey

### Funding and structure mechanisms

Our Priority areas will require significant funds, though the business cases for these 'infrastructure' investments will be underpinned by the leasing of real estate components supporting the broader business and residential economies. We highlight that there are a number of **public/private funding mechanisms** and **operating and management structures** for State assets that can be applied to share the risks and benefits and promote more **entrepreneurial innovation** in the sector. We recommend a review of the planning processes and the population management policies

#### Large Infrastructure

Developing the **harbour estate and Castle Cornet** into more fully serviced income generating leisure facilities will require **multi million** funding. Port and Heritage site development and regeneration has been **successfully achieved** in other places such as Plymouth and Portsmouth with **PPP** (partnerships between public authorities, who own/lease the sites, and private developers, financiers and operators)

### Heritage and Museums

Similar PPP models can be applied for **the potential redevelopment of the States' heritage properties** into hospitality businesses. E.g. conversion of towers into small living units, restaurants, coffee shops. We agree with many commentators that Government is **not always the best operator** of leisure assets. We believe there is an opportunity to both inspire more innovation in presentation and use of assets and **unlock domestic donations** through the creation of a **'charitable foundation'** to include a number of key assets. This has been used in the UK with the successful creation of **Historic Royal Palaces**, including the Tower of London

#### Supporting Entrepreneurs

We note that much of the gap in the visitor experience is **the lack of small hospitality and leisure enterprises** providing interesting activities; being off the beach, at sea or within the Island. This could be due to the difficulty of getting planning, funding and business support. Other countries have created **public funds** specifically designed to provide low cost funding and support to entrepreneurs which could be adopted by the State.

#### **Policy**

We have noted the issues with **planning and change of use** and recommend a detailed study **into the economics** of the accommodation sector today in order to develop impact scenarios. There may be options to **secure undertakings** from developers to either contribute 'value' for change of use or to redevelop accommodation elsewhere. We also advise a review of the impact of **population management** policies on the sector to better understand whether it is the policies or exchange rate causing more harm to the sector

### Recommended next steps

Prioritised product offering	Recommended initiative	Recommended next steps	Proposed investment mechanisms
Castle Cornet	Activate Castle Cornet through converting the building into a mix of restaurants, tailored retail, and potentially a unique boutique hotel	<ul> <li>Research option to create a Heritage Foundation (to include other heritage assets)</li> <li>Commission a feasibility study for development (mainly to be done in conjunction with the review of St. Peter Port Harbour)</li> </ul>	Charitable foundation Public-private-partnership
St Peter Port Harbour	Activation of the harbour area around key attractions	Commission feasibility and master planning studies	Public-private-partnership
Military Sites and Museums	Enhance the overall historical military and occupation offering	<ul> <li>Review State owned heritage sites portfolio and consider feasibility to convert some sites into accommodation / other uses</li> <li>Modernise offering / experience (e.g. modern technology, enhancing ancillary offering etc.)</li> <li>Create a better visitor journey through more material and signage and make sites more presentable to meet the need of the modern traveller</li> </ul>	Charitable foundation Public-private-partnership
Other Heritage and Culture	Invest in more events associated with Victor Hugo, while maintaining the ongoing support for current events (e.g. The Heritage Festival, food festivals)	<ul> <li>Develop a plan to create a Victor Hugo Based event, with or potentially without the partnership with Paris</li> <li>Give more exposure to non-Paris Victor Hugo estate owned attractions</li> </ul>	State in collaboration with Private sector
Visitor experience	Improve signage at attractions, improve transportation and accessibility, parking, toilets, disability access	<ul> <li>Improve signage at attractions including walking trails</li> <li>Encourage longer opening times for attractions</li> <li>Consider providing all day paid parking for visitors, and provide parking sites for buses near attractions</li> <li>Improve disability access where possible and provide toilet facilities at key attractions</li> <li>Consider creating a hailing app to improve taxi transportation</li> </ul>	State
Accommodation policy	Assess the impact of the policy on the industry	<ul> <li>Commission a detailed assessment of the accommodation offering and look into planning and change of use</li> <li>Input into people management policies to enable hospitality friendly legislation</li> </ul>	State

Note: \*Indicative and based on international benchmarks. Actual investment will vary significantly depending on the masterplan and scale of development. \*\*Based on select heritage regeneration benchmarks and assuming the regeneration of 50% of the BUA of Castle Cornet

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# Travel market trends and Guernsey's target markets

## Macro market trends make the higher spending younger Baby boomer the most attractive target segment for Guernsey

While Guernsey acknowledges that its core target market should be the 50+ year old baby boomer and swing generation segments, it needs to consider the key trends in these segments when considering how to evolve its product offering

Guernsey Market Guernsey's visitor numbers have been **declining** for the past 5 years, mainly through the decline in tourists arriving **by sea**. The Island relies principally on repeat business from the **UK**, with an age profile **of 45+**, travelling as **couples** and staying 4 to 5 nights

Target Market The core target market remains **the 50+ baby boomers**. This market representing 44% of UK outbound travel volume and 48% of the total spend, displays high growth especially for the 65+ age range. Future trends in travel spending are positive with the segment being the **most affluent** and having **lower price** sensitivity. Recent pension reforms provide greater ability for retirees to spend on travel and leisure

Market trends

**Gastronomy** and **cultural** discovery are important holiday requirements, especially for Baby Boomers. In addition this aging population segment is seeking health and fitness, leading to a fast growth in **wellness** and **activities** based holidays

**Other Trends** 

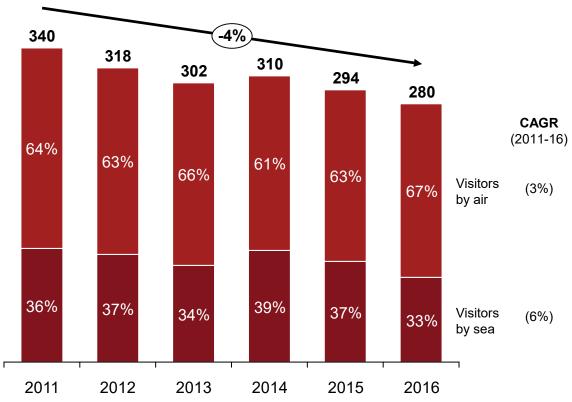
**Dynamic/bespoke** packages are the fastest growing element of the overall flat UK packaged holiday market which plays to short breaks and multiple destinations. The **Cruise** market is expected to grow driven by aging population, increased vessel capacity and penetration of younger segments. Guernsey has a good foundation in this market which also plays well to its core demographic

Other Source markets

The **US market** feels under penetrated given relative performance in other UK locations and their love of quaint English heritage. The **French market** could also be better exploited given the cultural ties to Guernsey, especially though the Victor Hugo connection, while **low exchange rates** provide a short term attractiveness for other European source markets

## Guernsey's visitor numbers have been declining in the past 5 years, mainly driven by a decline in tourists arriving by sea

#### Guernsey's volume of visits by mode of travel, 2011-2016 (000's)\*



### The decline in the number of visitors travelling by sea has been driven by:

- Technical and operational issues related to Condor Ferries (e.g. delays, cancellations) which have affected consumer confidence in this mode of transport
- The launch of a single new high speed ferry by Condor, replacing two high speed crafts which has significantly impacted inter-island and day visit volumes

#### Visitors by air have been static, although Guernsey has suffered due to a perceived lack of competitive fares to the Island, especially compared with low cost carrier fares to Jersey

 A roundtrip flight between the UK and Jersey during the peak summer months is on average 50% cheaper compared to a roundtrip flight between the UK and Guernsey\*\*

Note: \*Numbers exclude cruise ship passengers and visiting yachtsmen. \*\*Information retrieved 1st Nov 2017 for direct, return flights departing from the UK on a Friday during August 2018 and returning to the UK on Sunday

Source: Government Information. Skyscanner.com, PwC analysis

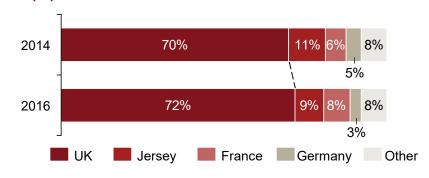
### The main source market is principally repeat business from the UK

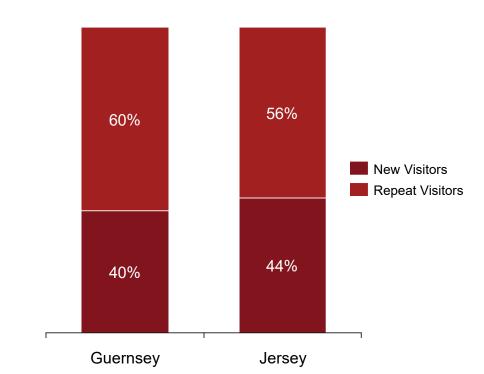
Guernsey's source markets are similar to Jersey, although Jersey has been successful in diversifying its UK visitor base over the past few years

Jersey is able to attract a larger proportion of new visitors compared to Guernsey

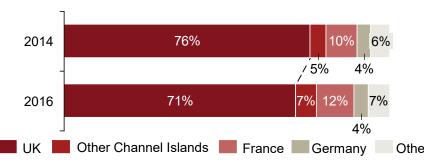
Guernsey's volume of visits by source country, 2014-2016 (%)\*

New vs. repeat visits, 2016 (%)



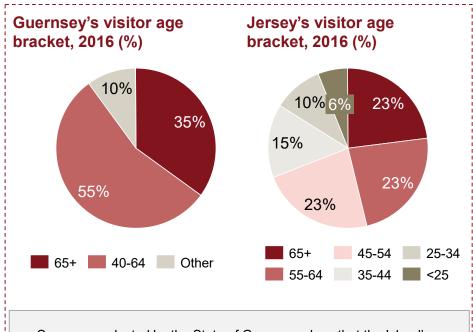


Jersey's volume of staying leisure visits by source country, 2014-2016 (%)

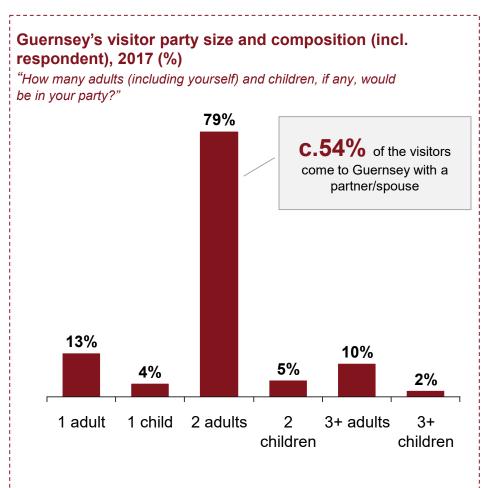


Note: \*Numbers for Guernsey only exclude cruise ship passengers and visiting yachtsmen
Source: Government Information, Visit Guernsey Online Visitor Survey, Profile Form Report 2017, Visit Jersey Annual Report 2016, Visit Jersey Destination Plan 2015

# The typical visitor has an age profile of 50+ travelling as a part of a couple; Guernsey has an older visitor demographic compared to Jersey



- Surveys conducted by the State of Guernsey show that the Island's main market has an age profile of 50+ with a socio-demographic (ACORN) profile of ABC1.
- This market is likely to be affluent, active, cultured, empty nesters with a propensity to take a number of short breaks and holidays each year
- Compared to Jersey, Guernsey has an older visitor demographic (i.e. larger proportion of 65+)

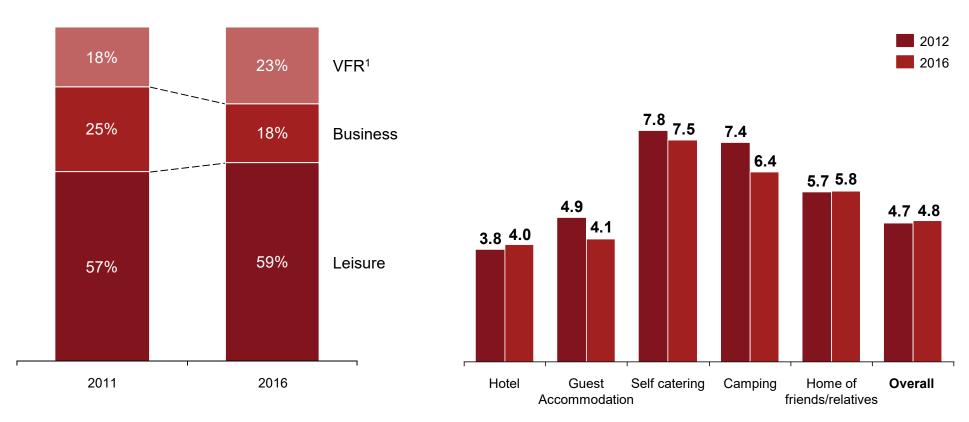


Source: Government Information, Visit Guernsey Online Visitor Survey, Profile Form Report 2017, Visit Jersey Annual Report 2016

## A majority are staying leisure visitors who usually spend 4 to 5 nights on the Island

Guernsey's volume of visits by purpose, 2016 (%)

Average length of stay in Guernsey by type of accommodation, 2013-2016 (# nights)

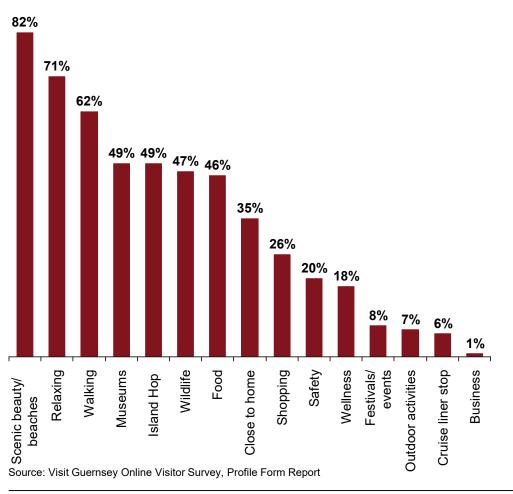


Note: Numbers exclude cruise ship passengers and visiting yachtsmen. 1. Visiting friends or relatives Source: Government Information

## Surveyed visitors to Guernsey highlight scenery, relaxation and walking as the key activities and reasons for choosing the Island

### Reasons for travelling to Guernsey, 2016

"What activities or reasons have inspired you to consider Guernsey?"

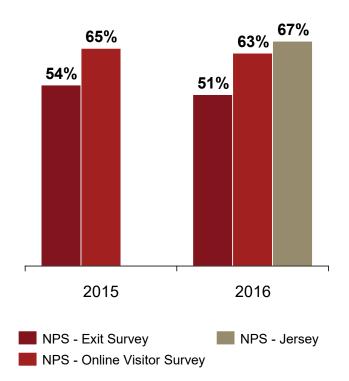




## Guernsey's NPS score has declined, with feedback raised by visitors around signage, attractions, information and connectivity

Guernsey's NPS Score (how likely visitors would be to recommend Guernsey) has declined over the past two years

**Guernsey NPS Score**, 2014-2016 (%)



Key feedback points raised by visitors are around signage, attractions, information availability and connectivity

#### Signage

"A few more signposts for walkers round the Island (would be useful)"

#### **Attractions**

"Ensure that all the visitor attractions are presentable, good value for money, and not closed for various reasons during the 'holiday season'"

#### Information centre

"Improve the Information Centre in St Peters Port. The staff were not helpful and weren't able to give sufficient advice or suggestions. We specifically enquired about public transport to travel around the Island"

#### Information on eating out

"Providing a list of restaurants i.e: what type of food is on the menu and their location so that visitors can make their choice"

#### **Disability awareness**

"Deaf awareness is somewhat lacking in some places and wheelchair accessibility especially the museums, etc."

#### **Transport**

"Better air connections - more reliable flights and cheaper fares"

"Cheaper travel to the Island would be a benefit and some cheaper hotels or B&B's"

Source: Guernsey Exit Surveys Q4 2014, Q4 2015, Q4 2016, Online Visitor Survey 2016, Visit Jersey Annual Report 2016

### Baby Boomers and the Swing generation still represent the best segments that could be much better targeted by the Island

#### **Key customer segments**

#### **Millennials**





#### **Generation X**

- Age 30-49
- · Families, most likely with children under 16
- Age 50-64 Couples (Empty-nesters),
  - **Families** Less price sensitive

Prime target market

**Baby Boomers** 

- Higher preference for
- rural/ countryside based holidays, but also beach holidays and city breaks
  - More likely to take offseason holidays/outside of school holidays
  - Value good F&B offering, walking, trekking and eco-tourism
  - Higher-end hotels
  - Self-catering (especially when travelling with family or as part of a small group)

#### Existing core market

#### Swing Generation / WWII



- Age 65+
- Couples (Emptynesters)
- Preference for escorted tours and cruises
- Beach and rural holidays
- More likely to take offseason holidays/outside of school holidays
- Preference for packaged holidavs
- Hotels

Description

Holiday

preferences

- Age 15-29
- · Price sensitive increase use of online channels to identify potential deals
- · Preference for multidestination holidays including beach holidays and city breaks
- More likely to take holidays during school holidays and peak summer months

Preference for cheaper

hotel options and

Airbnb

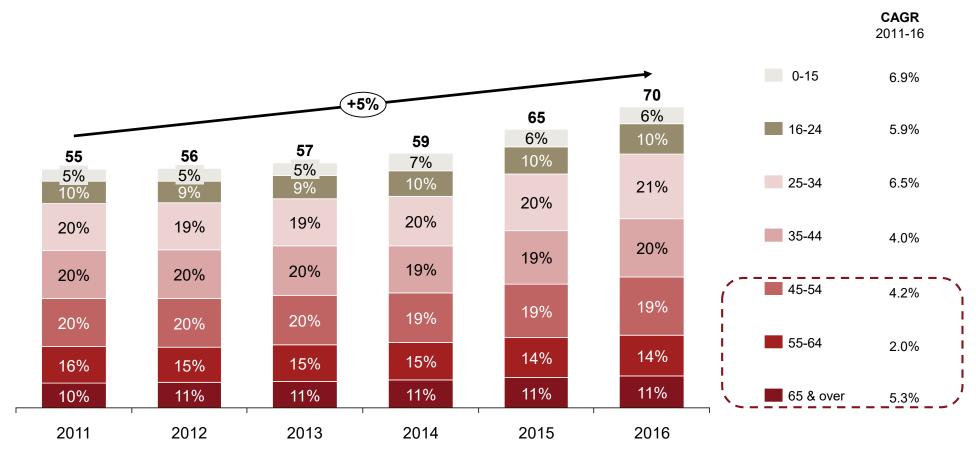
- c.40% of the Generation X individuals will take one type of holiday every year, most likely a family holiday
- More likely to take holidays during school holidays and peak summer months
- Beach destinations are amongst the most popular choices
- Longer stay (4+ nights) holidavs
- · Most likely to prefer selfcatering options

Accommodation preferences

Source: Mintel. ABTA

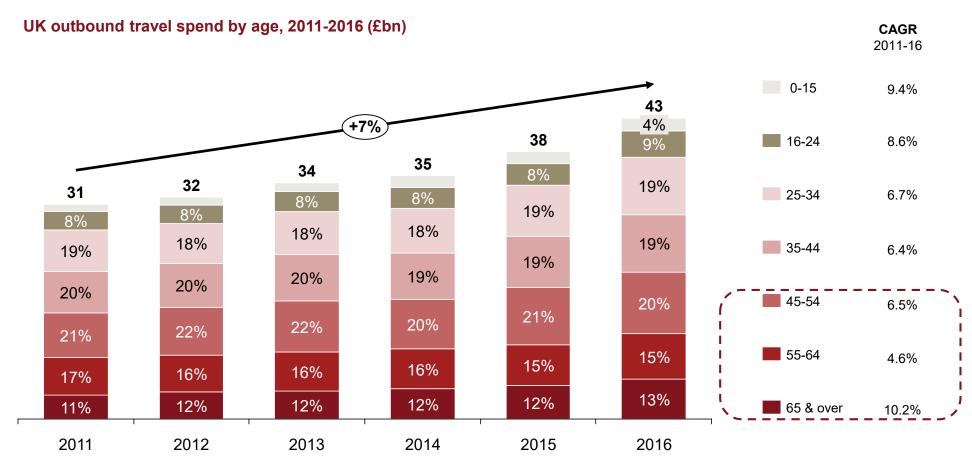
## The 50+ market accounts for 44% of the UK outbound travel volume...

UK outbound visits by traveller 's by age, 2011-2016 (m visits)



Note: Numbers include Business, VFR and Holiday visits outside of the UK. The 45-54 age group contains the highest proportion of Baby Boomers Source: IPS

## ... and represents 48% of the total spend, with highest growth in the 65+ segment



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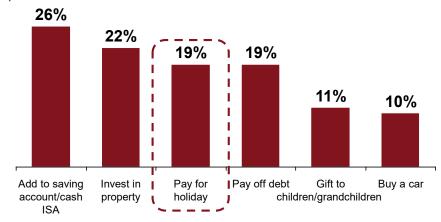
## This is largely driven by pension reforms, enabling retirees to access their funds earlier and plan to spend more on holidays

### Recent pension reforms allow more flexibility in pension withdrawals....

- Historically, individuals were restricted in how they could access their pensions during retirement and were charged 55% tax if they withdrew the entire amount in one instalment
- Since April 2015, individuals over the age of 55 have been able to choose how they receive their pension, including the ability to withdraw their entire pension upfront at the normal rate of income tax (rather than 55%)

#### ...which is likely to benefit the travel market

"Which of the following things, if any, do you plan to do with the withdrawn pension?"

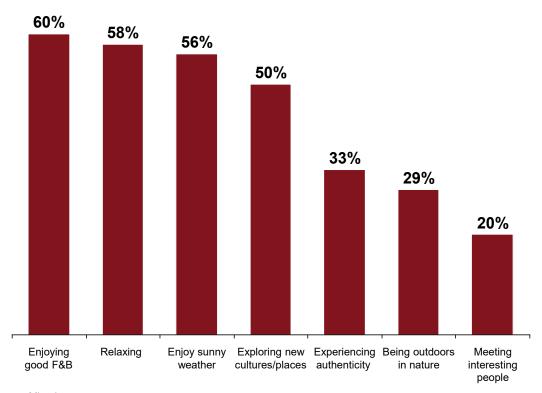


- Increased flexibility around how individuals can access their pension is likely to benefit the travel market, given the retired demographic is an important segment of the outbound travel market
- If more people choose to withdraw a larger proportion of their pension at an earlier age (when they are still active and healthy), then this is likely to increase the propensity / ability of people to go on more holidays

## Baby Boomers most value gastronomy while cultural discovery is also very important

#### Most important factors for Baby Boomers, 2015 (% of respondents)

"Typically which of the following are the most important to you when you are going on holiday? Please select up to 5 answers"



## F&B and exploration of new cultures are amongst the most important holiday features for Baby Boomers

- According to Mintel research, Baby Boomers value good F&B and cultural discovery more than the average individual
- Over 55s are the largest group of gastrotourists and are likely to spend a high proportion of their budget on "wining and dining"
- Given their relatively high value for authenticity, the holiday rental market also appeals to them for creating strong connections with the local community, local food produce and, in some cases, ecotourism, as it allows them to purchase and prepare food themselves
- There is an opportunity in the market for gastronomy holidays, with more providers offering packaged tasting / cooking tours

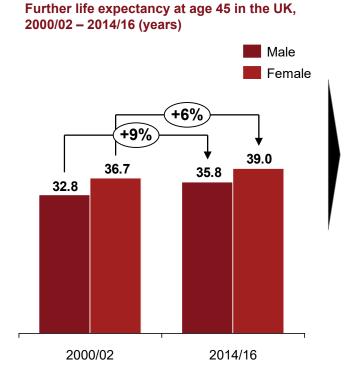
Source: Mintel

## With aging populations and increasing focus on health, wellness based tourism has become a fast growing market

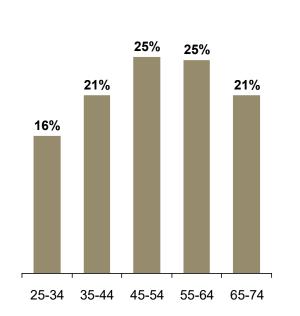
Life expectancy has been increasing rapidly in the UK...

...and on average the elderly population is less healthy...

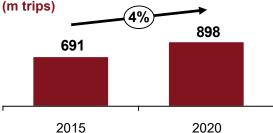
...driving growth in the wellness market and creating additional opportunities



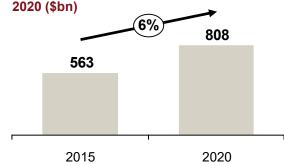
BMI overweight proportion of UK population by age, 2014 (%)



Global wellness tourists, 2015-2020



Global wellness tourism market value, 2015-



Source: ONS, Eurostat, Global Wellness Institute, Mintel

## Wellness tourism covers both spa and recreation as well as more comprehensive location based experiences

#### Wellness tourism

#### "Standard" experience

• Consist mainly of standard offerings such as day spas, wellness cruises, beauty centres, etc.

#### Illustrative examples



#### Day spa/beauty centers

Mostly found at most 4 and 5-star hotels and as stand-alone centres



#### **UnCruise Adventures**

Hawaii

UnCruise Adventures is a ship company operating cruises in Hawaii and Alaska, focusing on wellness and providing special programs centered around fitness, nutrition and overall wellbeing

#### "Authentic location-based" experience

• Consist mainly of experiences in unique locations/settings with services such as spiritual/yoga retreats, ashrams, resort-themed spas, etc.

#### Illustrative examples



### Asclepios Wellness & Healing Retreat Costa Rica

Asclepios offers its visitors wellness services in a unique setting: Weight Management, Meditation, Acupuncture, Floral Therapy, Homeopathy, Yoga, Pilates, etc.



#### **Dead Sea Wellness resorts & spas** Dead Sea, Jordan

Jordan has several resorts renowned for their wellness and spa offering, leveraging their unique location in proximity to the Dead Sea

Source: Company websites, PwC analysis

## In line with wellness, activity based holidays are an increasingly important trend particularly walking

Walking/trekking and cycling are the most popular holiday activities and are expected to maintain their position over next 5 years...

### UK consumer past experience and future interest in adventure travel, 2015

"Which of these activities would you like to form a significant part of a holiday in the future? Which of these were a significant part of your previous holiday?"

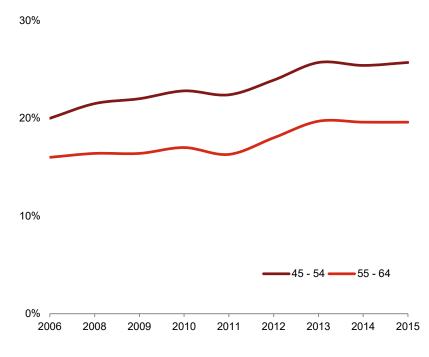
32% Walking/trekking 15% Cycling Water sports 8% Mountaineering Soft activities/adventures are Snowsports more popular than hard 5% activities/adventure Expedition across especially for Baby Boomers remote areas 5% 13% Rafting 6% 6% Running

■ Future interest

■Past 5 years

...supported by a positive trend in active lifestyles, especially amongst the 45+

Percentage of people taking part in sport/ recreational activities 3+ times a week, 2006 – 2015



Source: Mintel, HSCIS, Sport England, PwC Analysis

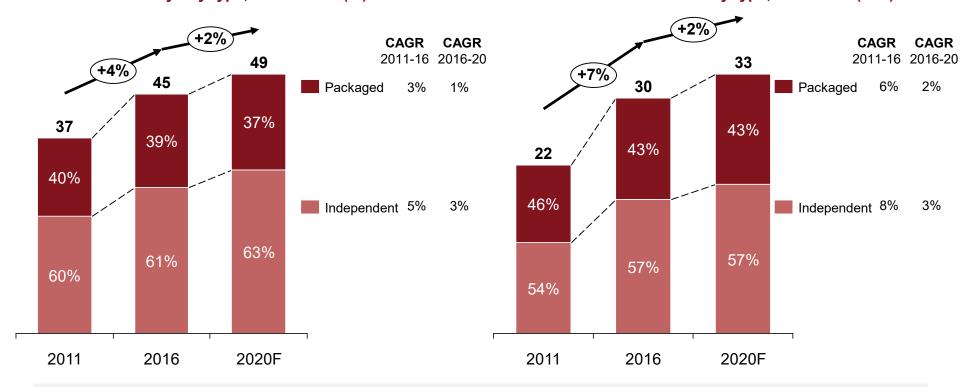
4%

Horse-riding

## While the UK packaged holiday market has stabilised, the mix is changing with fast growth of bespoke/dynamic packages

#### UK overseas holidays by type, 2011-2020F (m)

#### UK outbound value market by type, 2011-2016 (£bn)



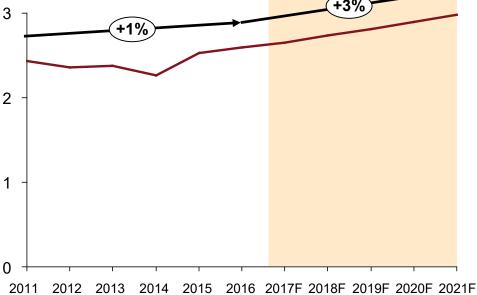
Packaged holidays include return fares and accommodation, and are usually purchased from one provider for a single price. Bespoke/dynamic packages (in which customers have multiple accommodation and travel options at different prices) are likely to become more popular in the next few years, driven by increased consumer confidence and tour operator developments using new technology

Source: IPS. Mintel

## The cruise market is expected to grow driven by aging population, growing vessel capacity and a widening target market

Value of UK sea cruise market, 2011-2021F (£bn)





### Key growth drivers for the UK cruise market

#### 1. Aging population

The UK population is aging, with the number of people above the age of 65 expected to constitute c.21% of the population by 2026 (vs. 18% in 2016). This will positively impact the demand for cruise trips given that this segment has a high preference for escorted tours and cruises

#### 2. Growing vessel capacity

The cruise capacity is expected to grow, with the big four cruise operators (Carnival, Royal Caribbean Cruises, Norwegian Cruise Line Holdings, MSC Cruises) forecasting 15% growth in capacity by 2019

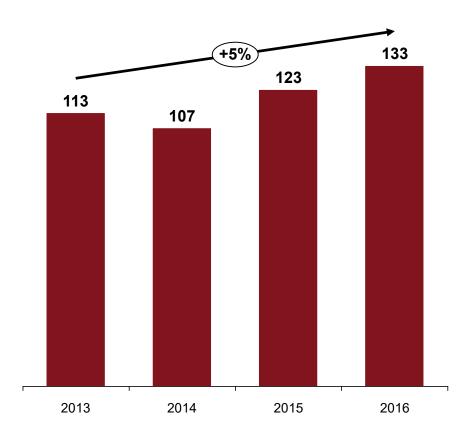
#### 3. Widening target market

The average age of the cruise passenger demographic has been decreasing over the last few years, with younger people showing an interest in cruise travel (e.g. 48% of Millennials, 35% of 35-44 and 44% of the Baby Boomers interested in cruising)

Source: ONS, CLIA UK & Ireland, Mintel

## In Guernsey, the cruise market has been performing well, driven by tax advantages and better harbour infrastructure compared to Jersey

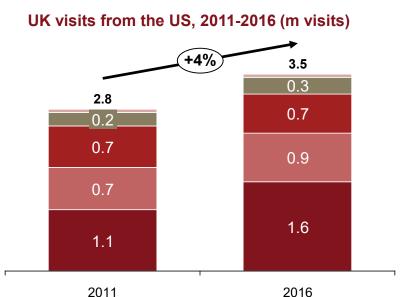
Cruise visits to Guernsey, 2013-2016 (000's)



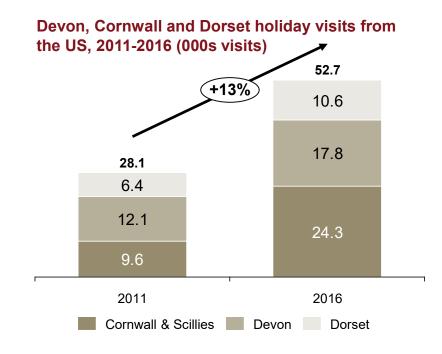
- Guernsey currently attracts more than 133,000 annual cruise visitors and is considered one of Europe's largest cruise liner tender ports
- The Island appeals to cruise liners as it offers VAT advantages and has a better port infrastructure compared to Jersey
- Cruises provide a good marketing opportunity for the Island as c.2.5% of cruise passengers revisit the Island for a short break or a longer holiday
- However, the cruise liner opportunity is not fully exploited, with issues around the arrival and departure experience for cruise passengers, poor transportation around the Island and lack of flexibility in opening times from shops and attractions
- Moreover, given that Guernsey is a tender port, weather plays an important role in how many cruise passengers land (e.g. 2017 saw a record number of vessel dock cancellations, with a majority being due to unfavourable weather) and makes this market volatile

Source: Government Information, PwC Analysis, Stakeholder interviews, IGR

### The US market feels under penetrated given relative performance in other UK locations



Study Miscellaneous Business VFR Holiday



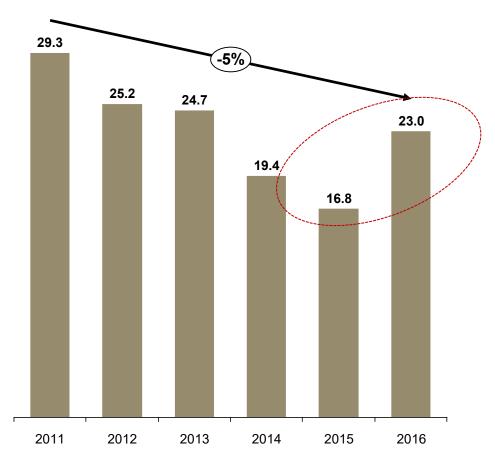


- US is #1 source market by value for the UK and #2 source market by number of visits, with £3.4bn spend and 3.5m visits in 2016.
- Many US travellers often seek **two trips**, combining London with one other destination including the South coast
- Guernsey may constitute an attractive proposition for them as they are very sensitive to safety
- With the new film ("The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society") and low exchange rates, there is now a perfect opportunity to tie in with US operators offering two centre UK holidays

Source: Visit Britain, IPS

## The French market could also be better exploited given the cultural ties to Guernsey, especially though the Victor Hugo connection

#### Visits to Guernsey from France, 2011-2016 (000s visits)



Source: Government Information

#### Festival to celebrate Victor Hugo's Guernsey exile.

Tickets are now available for events at the first Victor Hugo in Guernsey Festival which takes place on the Channel Island of Guernsey from 2 to 10 April.

Travel Daily UK, February 2016

- The number of visits to Guernsey from France has been historically decreasing; however, in 2016, there was an increase in the number of French visitors
- In 2016, Guernsey hosted a number of events, including celebrations around the
   150th anniversary of the publication of Victor Hugo's "Toilers of the Sea"
- Victor Hugo is considered to be one of the greatest and best-known French writers. Other than his former house and his statue in Candie Gardens, there is little to commemorate him in Guernsey
- There are opportunities for Guernsey to generate a higher proportion of French tourists through exploiting the Victor Hugo connection by showcasing it across the Islands (e.g. events, festivals, exhibitions etc)

### Stakeholder perspectives

### Context and key questions addressed

Context

We conducted interviews with key stakeholders in the tourism sector ranging from government departments, accommodation providers, transport providers, attraction owners and tour operators to gauge their views / perspectives on the tourism industry in Guernsey.

The objective of each interview was to primarily focus on the product offering (e.g. heritage sites, annual events, activities, trekking/cycling, Bailiwick Islands, business events, hotels etc.) rather than the transport and connectivity issue which is being covered in a separate study.

#### 1. Discussion on the tourism industry in Guernsey, mainly around:

- Overall observations on the tourism sector in Guernsey, how it has changed over time and what has driven this
- Views on the comparison with competing destinations such as Jersey and other UK destinations, and lessons learnt
- Views on the quality and breadth of the existing product offering and what could be enhanced or is missing
- Views on the tourist segments that Guernsey should be targeting and potential trends the Island could better exploit
- Insights on visitor experience and feedback received. How has this changed? What is Guernsey doing well and where is improvement required?
- Views on the other enablers supporting tourism such as the Food and Beverage offering, retail offering and the transport infrastructure
- 2. Potential opportunities to enhance product offering/visitor experience. Where should the focus be going forwards?
- 3. What are the plans for the interviewee's own business? Are there ambitions for further investment and what is required to support this?
- 4. Perceived challenges / barriers to delivery; e.g. infrastructure, government policy, human capital. How can the States of Guernsey best support the growth of the sector (e.g. through policy and regulatory changes, direct investment etc.)?

## Tourism stakeholders acknowledge that Guernsey is facing a significant challenge largely solvable by forces within its control



Connectivity

The current position is **highly detrimental** and fundamentally the tourism sector cannot grow without a change. The reducing schedules, increasing fares (particularly versus Jersey), lack of connections to Jersey and inconsistent service (ferries) have hit tourism hard. Without a resolution of this situation, it is **unlikely that tourism growth** can be restored and can flourish



Product offering and customer experience

It was generally acknowledged that the Island has **no stand out offering** compared to competing destinations. Most believe that it is now the Island's beauty and 'quaintness' that is its key asset combined with being safe, good for walking and eating out. Much of the offering has become **stale**, **shabby** and **out of date**. **Military Heritage**, both pre war and Occupation, should be a better draw, but is under exploited and under invested. **Bailiwick Island** archipelago is under marketed. General agreement that the **harbour** needs redevelopment



**Accommodation** 

The current accommodation offering has **significant weaknesses**, particularly in the high end boutique and good quality mid scale range. There remain too many under invested 3\* properties and disincentives to invest (change of use rules and general planning restrictions and weak market). Hotels in St Peter Port better placed as benefit from Business travel. The restrictions on home rentals (e.g. on the Airbnb platform) could be relaxed to provide flexibility and meet modern market needs. Staff retention is reaching a crisis point given weak exchange rate and new Population Management policies



Government strategy, Policy & Regulation

Consistent views expressed about the **lack of strategy and ambition** by the States leading to inertia, indecision and protectiveness. Of particular note are the **current planning and change of use** rules making the hospitality sector not investible. People Management policies are putting pressure on maintaining staff though biggest issue is in fact devalued sterling. A number queried the many layers of bureaucracy and number of departments involved leading to the complexity in getting decisions made. Many questioned whether the States is best placed to manage the tourism assets they do

### Key feedback from stakeholder interviews (1/4)

### The value of tourism to Guernsey and key issues



- There were mixed views on the **overall value** of tourism for Guernsey, but general agreement that it is important to the Island as it supports the hospitality sector which is itself vital for the long term attractiveness of the Island for the financial services sector in particular ("Symbiotic relationship")
- While many are nostalgic for the Island's heyday, there is general recognition that the world has changed and Guernsey needs to adapt if it wants to grow its tourism and access new markets
- The Island has **fallen substantially behind Jersey** in its focus on, and investment in, tourism and products to support it.

### Transportation and connectivity



- There were a wide range of views on **connectivity** depending upon interviewee though universal agreement that the situation now is **highly detrimental to the Island**. Views around the air links range from enabling full open skies policy to encourage competition (on the basis that Aurigny is not delivering) to full protection of all routes for Aurigny to be able to manage pricing and scheduling. Consistent comment that the **sea link situation**, with reduced and inconsistent services, between UK and the Island, and between the Channel Islands themselves, **has hit tourism hard**.
- The Island has become too expensive and too difficult to visit for many visitor segments.
- However, the airlines comment that **air fares are reasonable** (for commercial viability) and that demand is weak, other than in peak summer months, due to lack of a compelling product offering.
- There were mixed views on the **runway extension**, though most recognise that on its own this will not be the panacea to solve tourism decline and that low cost carriers will need to be much more certain that there is the volume that can be generated from lower fares before entering the market.

### Key feedback from stakeholder interviews (2/4)

availability of high end and mid-scale quality. It was noted that a number of hotels are not good enough and the overall choice is too limited to attract the type of guests who could afford Guernsey and who have higher product expectations (e.g. spa)
Hoteliers and self-catering providers themselves raised issues with their performance outside of the core

General view that the accommodation offering has significant weaknesses, particularly in the

- season (July- September) with **very low occupancy** leading to concerns over committing further investment
- However tour operators **noted difficulty in getting rooms in peak season**, as hotels are not able, or are reluctant to offer block booking due to taking short term stays via online travel agents (OTA).
- Those with an interest in hotel development say that the sector is not attractive to invest in while the current change of use rules are imposed (see Policy and Regulation note below). Many commentated that the market should be fully liberalised and that market forces should be allowed to dictate the volume and type of accommodation. Other stakeholders recognised that there are some risks associated with removing the restrictions completely, and that this needs to be considered carefully to ensure that any transition is managed
- A number of interviewees suggested that the **Airbnb platform and holiday homes** should be more encouraged to meet market expectations and provide flexibility. A view was offered that an ability to own and rent holiday homes would make Guernsey more competitive with equivalent UK high end summer destinations such as Rock, Salcombe, Abersoch etc.
- However, accommodation providers themselves showed some concern with regards to the management and regulation of Airbnb, and the difficulty around enforcing regulation (e.g. 8 week policy for local properties that were not designated Tourism Use Class) and wanted the State to ensure a level playing field (though it was noted that some actually marketed their property through Airbnb as well). It became apparent however that a number of those that expressed concern were not aware of the 8 week policy, or that permits had to be awarded to offer Airbnb accommodation
- Accommodation and food & beverage providers commented on the issues of retaining and recruiting staff. There is a very high reliance on an immigrant workforce and new regulations on residency periods and the weak exchange rates (hard to disentangle which is having the greatest impact) are discouraging staff from coming and pushing many places to crisis point

**Accommodation** 



### Key feedback from stakeholder interviews (3/4)

**Product Offering** 



- The most recurring theme on Guernsey's key products are that it is 'an Island' and is part of an archipelago. It has outstanding natural beauty, is safe, and good for a wide range of activities such as Island hopping, walking, cycling and sailing. Heritage, in particular 'Occupation sites', are interesting but underexploited and, other than Castle Cornet, generally agreed not to be stand out attractions. Other areas mentioned were Guernsey's floral offering and eco-friendly environment being an attractive proposition to showcase. It was noted that interviewees who were not Islanders felt that the Island generally **over estimated** the attraction of its tourism offering.
- As such, a number concede that Guernsey has no stand out offering or hook that can attract new
  visitors which many of the competing destinations now have. Successful UK destinations such as
  St Ives (Art) and Padstow (Food) were quoted as places that have developed a differentiated
  proposition.
- The **Food & Beverage** offering is generally described as good quality, with a wide variety of restaurants available compared to other destinations, but to be a tourist draw, the offering could benefit from having internationally recognised chefs / brands.
- Events (e.g. Sea Front Sundays) were **viewed positively** but not seen as main tourism drivers. Generally recognised that global sports events such as the **Triathlon staged in Jersey** would not be viable in Guernsey.
- The opportunity with **Cruise ships** was considered underexploited. Issues ranged from poor disembarkation facilities and poor transportation around the Island to lack of flexibility in opening times from shops and attractions.
- Many recognise that more inter-Island (Guernsey and Jersey) cooperation would be beneficial to both and tour operators noted that two Island holidays are a growing proposition with short break opportunities on both Islands.
- Most agreed that some regeneration of the Harbour was essential. Using the space for free
  parking was not the most sensible use and it was generally agreed that a sympathetic development
  would enhance many aspects of the Island's proposition (accommodation, retail, F&B, events,
  Cruise ship disembarkation etc.)

### Key feedback from stakeholder interviews (4/4)

The Role of the State and Policy and Regulation



- Consistent views that lack of strategy and direction from the State is harmful leading to
  numerous friction points or inertia, and that policies can be inconsistent and overly protective
  which constrains the sector (examples cited include lack of coordination between Committees,
  lack of clarity over responsibilities, burdensome property planning rules, tightening population
  management).
- There were a number of views expressed about the **lack of risk taking and investment** the States has made in its own assets and it appears to have encouraged a managed decline of many.
- Current planning process and change of use rules are making the accommodation sector in particular 'uninvestable' as developers do not want to expose themselves to the risk of being trapped in a failing venture with no other options.
- To unlock the market it was suggested that the State should consider receiving some 'value' for allowing change of use (payment or development of another site) with any payments placed in a State infrastructure fund for reinvestment by converting other tourism based assets. There was also a suggestion that closed privately owned assets that have an iconic status should be compulsorily purchased by the States to enable redevelopment
- Interviewees who have a desire to support **new 'product development'** were very disappointed with the **lack of response** and general apathy to their schemes. Of most note were a proposed permanent Art exhibition and the restoration of Saumarez Park.
- It was noted that the general promotion of the Guernsey is too limited and that Jersey commits significantly more to its marketing than Guernsey.
- Hospitality operators are very concerned about **staff availability and costs**. Many rely on low cost immigrant labour. A combination of new residency rules and weak exchange rate is significantly constraining supply, leading to service quality issues and a reduction in profitability. Many noted this is reaching crisis point **with forced closure** a likelihood for some.

# Assessment of Guernsey's tourism product offering

## We assessed Guernsey's tourism product offering based on site visits, benchmarks and stakeholder interviews...

### We visited c.20 attractions in Guernsey ...

#### **Example of key attractions visited:**

- Guernsey Museum
- Guernsey Tapestry
- Castle Cornet
- The Military Museum
- The Aquarium
- Sausmarez Walled Garden
- Neolithic caves and sculptures
- Little Chapel
- Martyn Guille clock shop
- The Occupation Museum
- The Underground Hospital
- Sausmarez Manor
- National Trust Properties (Les Caches Old Barn)
- Bruce Russell
- Herm
- La Valette Bathing Pools
- Oatlands

### ...and assessed them based on several criteria

### Product offering assessment criteria:

- Relevance to target market
- Quality of curation
- Engagement / interactivity
- Facility upkeep / presentation
- Average dwell time
- Value for money
- Signage
- Disability access
- Availability of parking
- Information availability and quality

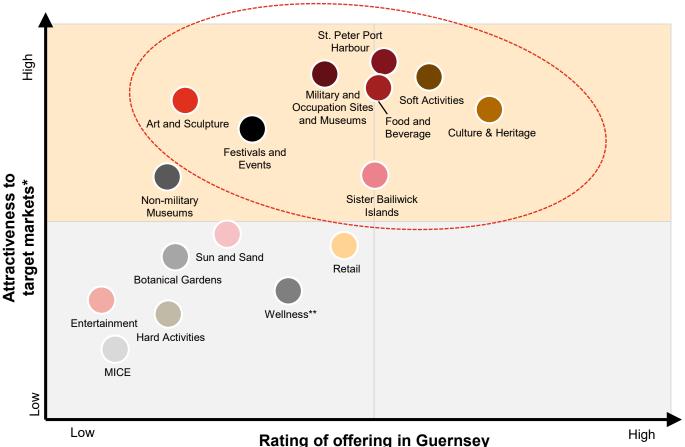
## We also gathered information from other sources which informed the prioritisation of initiatives

### Additional Sources of information:

- Stakeholder interviews
- External insights and benchmarks
- Interviews with selected market and PwC experts
- Visitor surveys conducted by the States of Guernsey

### ....and have prioritised a number of product offerings to improve the visitor experience with reference to the target markets

#### Tourism product offering



We note that without a **stand out attractor**, individual products do not drive tourism; rather it is the **overall guest experience** and **'journey'** that is critical, encompassing numerous elements to make for a quality and fulfilling holiday/**destination**.

Through much clearer **branding**, and **selective development and improvement** across much of the key product base, Guernsey could start to differentiate itself from Jersey in particular and become a core UK and European short break destination.

Other important enablers include:

- Transportation to and on the Island
- Accommodation options and quality
- Marketing
- Information availability, including signage

Note: \*Rating is assigned in the context of the product's appeal to the target tourist and as a tourism offering. \*\* Wellness covers SPAs and resort type retreats. Walking is covered under Soft Activities

### Priority product development recommendations

Creating a high quality experience that attracts the **50+ baby boomer** segment should be the strategic focus while improving the proposition for the more elderly customer segments. The Island lacks a truly **compelling tourist anchor attractor** but we advise that the visually distinctive **St Peter Port itself** and harbour estate should be the centrepiece around which the proposition can be strengthened and the Island can be marketed. This should be supported by investing in, quasi privatising, modernising, and upscaling some core associated **military heritage**, **cultural** and **leisure**, **island archipelago and activity products and events** 

Greater activation of Castle Cornet

As the **centrepiece** of the port and the stand out heritage site it is **significantly under activated**. The surrounding area is **poorly** presented and used. Inside, the museums are well curated but are not distinctive enough to be a main tourist draw and are relatively small. As with many other such sites e.g. **Oxford Castle**, the castle can be sympathetically developed to be more 'alive' and distinctive. This could include conversion of buildings with a mix of F&B, tailored retail, hosting of regular events (shows and markets) and potentially a unique boutique hotel

Redevelop the harbour area around attractions A **huge underexploited** space that currently detracts from the town behind. There are many examples globally of ports being successfully regenerated as vibrant leisure and commercial areas. For tourism purposes the focus would be on the area around Castle Cornet. However we recognise this would be part of a **much more substantial masterplan** for the harbour estate upon which the viability will be primarily dependent on the **economic case** for the financial services and other business sectors and the opportunity to lease out a range of real estate components

Military Heritage, Defence & Occupation This is the Island's main 'story' and it is relatively unique in retaining most Napoleonic and WW2 fortifications. While not a sufficiently compelling stand alone attractor, these need to be much better managed, packaged and presented to impact the overall Island experience. In conjunction with the GLPPS\* film promotion, investment and work is required to create the cohesive narrative, improve the signage and accessibility, modernise many sites to meet the need of the modern traveller, and develop some sites into alternative leisure use (see section on Accommodation). The display from the Occupation Museum needs to be protected.

Other Heritage and Culture The Island is blessed with having connections to an international **literary icon** in **Victor Hugo**. However, this though is not given **sufficient prominence** or exploited. The Island needs to own its VH story with investment in more events associated with the author, more exposure given to key sites on the Island to project its Anglo French heritage. This has **proven appeal** to the French market and will be of interest to the UK and US markets

<sup>\*</sup>The Guernsey Literary and Potato Peel Pie Society

### Additional improvement recommendations

A number of the other products, while having a lower impact, could nonetheless be significantly enhanced to make the overall visitor experience much more fulfilling. We do not advise a major investment in a new attraction or major international event as cannot see this being economically viable. We do recommend some urgent improvement to the physical infrastructure supporting tourism and the visitor experience such as transport, parking, amenities such as toilets, disabled access and signage

Bailiwick Islands

These are an **attractive and potentially differentiated**, but underexploited, proposition for visitors. Issues with Sark will take a long time to resolve and detract from its appeal today. Opportunities exist to better activate the **sea aspect** with more **day cruises**, **dolphin and bird spotting** etc. Visitor **transit experience is poor**, in particular the parking arrangements which are highly restrictive

Activity/ Wellness **None** of the Island's activity offerings are **a stand alone tourist draw** relative to better options in UK, though can form an attractive part of an overall 'health and wellness' package. The most important is **walking**, which is unchallenging but offers pleasant scenery and could be much better leveraged including more events (e.g. challenges) and much better signage. To attract the main **wellness** market will require more spa and indoor activity options which need to be provided by hotels and will depend upon their own business cases

**Events** 

The majority of the current events **appear well received**, though mainly attract residents to date. However these may not yet be sufficiently differentiated and it can take many years for an event to become established as a tourist draw. We do **not recommend looking at sports** events to attract tourists as can be expensive to host with limited legacy. We have noted that there is a potential base of **Art & Sculpture** on the Island and plans put forward to exploit this. Art has proven successful with the core market in other destinations and should be assessed

Other Products

We noted other existing and potential new products for development. Given their **limited scale and positioning** we advise that they are out of scope for attracting tourists, being more local amenities with tangential visitor benefit. We also do not see a feasible case for any large scale 'theme park / family entertainment' type attraction on the Island, as this would need to be underpinned by local use which would be insufficient to support anything notable of scale

Visitor Experiences Other than those noted above, we believe there are **many improvements** to the visitor experience. While the Bus service is good, this is unlikely to be attractive to the target segment who will prefer cars or taxis. Taxi service appears relatively inflexible and a hailing app could be very beneficial. **Parking in St Peter Port is very poor for day visitors** and the lack of an all day parking facility is an issue. **Signage**, particularly for tourist activities, is weak or non existent on the Island. Marketing appears weak, with limited product bundling and limited opening hours out of season

### Recommended next steps

Prioritised product offering	Recommended initiative	Recommended next steps	Proposed investment mechanisms
Castle Cornet	Activate Castle Cornet through converting the building into a mix of restaurants, tailored retail, and potentially a unique boutique hotel	<ul> <li>Research option to create a Heritage Foundation (to include other heritage assets)</li> <li>Commission a feasibility study for development (mainly to be done in conjunction with the review of St. Peter Port Harbour)</li> </ul>	Charitable foundation Public-private-partnership
St Peter Port Harbour	Activation of the harbour area around key attractions	Commission feasibility and master planning studies	Public-private-partnership
Military Sites and Museums	Enhance the overall historical military and occupation offering	<ul> <li>Review State owned heritage sites portfolio and consider feasibility to convert some sites into accommodation / other uses</li> <li>Modernise offering / experience (e.g. modern technology, enhancing ancillary offering etc.)</li> <li>Create a better visitor journey through more material and signage and make sites more presentable to meet the need of the modern traveller</li> </ul>	Charitable foundation Public-private-partnership
Other Heritage and Culture	Invest in more events associated with Victor Hugo, while maintaining the ongoing support for current events (e.g. The Heritage Festival, food festivals)	<ul> <li>Develop a plan to create a Victor Hugo Based event, with or potentially without the partnership with Paris</li> <li>Give more exposure to non-Paris Victor Hugo estate owned attractions</li> </ul>	State in collaboration with Private sector
Visitor experience	Improve signage at attractions, improve transportation and accessibility, parking, toilets, disability access	<ul> <li>Improve signage at attractions including walking trails</li> <li>Encourage longer opening times for attractions</li> <li>Consider providing all day paid parking for visitors, and provide parking sites for buses near attractions</li> <li>Improve disability access where possible and provide toilet facilities at key attractions</li> <li>Consider creating a hailing app to improve taxi transportation</li> </ul>	State
Accommodation policy	Assess the impact of the policy on the industry	Commission a detailed assessment of the accommodation offering and look into planning and change of use     Input into people management policies to enable hospitality friendly legislation	State

Note: \*Indicative and based on international benchmarks. Actual investment will vary significantly depending on the masterplan and scale of development. \*\*Based on select heritage regeneration benchmarks and assuming the regeneration of 50% of the BUA of Castle Cornet

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### Summary of prioritised tourism product offerings (1/2)

Product Offering	Examples in Guernsey	Relevance to target market	Rating of offering in Guernsey*	Development priority	Rationale
Architecture / Infrastructure	St Peter Port Harbour	3	2	4	The harbour is a differentiated feature of the Island, currently substantially underexploited and could enhance many of the tourism products (e.g. cruise, retail, F&B, heritage)
Culture & Heritage	Castle Cornet, Victor Hugo, The Little Chapel	2	3	4	Guernsey has a rich heritage offering, in particular Castle Cornet, which can be better exploited
Military and Occupation Sites and Museums	Fort Grey, German Military Underground Hospital , Occupation Towers, Military Museum, The Occupation Museum	3	/2	3	Military sites and museums are not well exploited today but are an important feature of the overall Island package
Sister Bailiwick Islands	Lihou, Herm, Sark, Alderney	2	2	3	The Bailiwick Archipelago is an attractive offering, but underexploited and under marketed
Art & Sculpture	Guernsey Museum at Candie, Sculpture Park at Sausmarez Manor	3	1	2	Modest Art and Sculpture proposition but there is potential for the base of art on the Island to be exploited
Soft activities	Walking, trekking, cycling	3	2	2	Guernsey has the foundations of a decent walking destination but only as part of an overall Island package
Festivals and events	Island celebrations, sporting events	$oldsymbol{3}$ (in case of major events)	1	2	Currently well received but mainly targeting residents. Not seen as becoming main tourist drivers but still important with regards to the overall visitor experience
Food and Beverage	Restaurants, Cafes, Pubs, Bars, Kiosks	3	2	2	An overall good offering and important to the overall visitor experience, but does not have a cuisine with international recognition

### Summary of prioritised tourism product offerings (2/2)

Product Offering	Examples in Guernsey	Relevance to target market	Rating of offering in Guernsey*	Development priority	Rationale
Sun and Sand	27 beaches (e.g. Cobo Beach, Vazon Bay, Grandes Rocques Bay, Fermaine Bay)	2	1	1	The offering is highly seasonal and uncompetitive compared to Mediterranean destinations
Non-military Museums	Guernsey Museum at Candie, The Guernsey Tapestry	3	1	1	Not well differentiated and lacking key standout attractors
Botanical gardens & parks	Victorian Walled Garden, Candie Gardens	2	1	1	Guernsey does not has sufficient uniqueness to stand out in this market
Hard activities	Sailing, surfing, triathlon	1	1	1	Offering does not appeal to the target demographic and is a more niche offering for experienced people
Retail	Shops, markets	2	2	1	Offering is adequate for current target market, but struggles to compete with major shopping destinations
Wellness	Spas, wellness retreats	1	2	1	Aspects of wellness are partially covered by the enhancement of soft activities. Spas will be subject to the accommodation sector investing in the proposition
Entertainment	Cinema, Theatre, Family Entertainment Centres (e.g. Oatlands)	1	1	1	The offering primarily serves the resident population
MICE	Conference and Meeting rooms	1	1	1	Guernsey's opportunities to become a strong MICE destination are limited, given connectivity issues and lack of exhibition space

## St Peter Port Harbour is a differentiating feature of the Island, and offers opportunities for much better use

Tourism Product Offering: Architecture / Infrastructure (St Peter Port Harbour)						
Examples of offering in Guernsey	Relevance to target market					
St Peter Port Harbour	Appeals to a wide demographic and visitor segments, including					
Assessment of product offering in Guernsey	business, leisure, VFRs and visitors from cruise ships					
St Peter Port Harbour is one of the stand out features of the Island. St Peter Port town along with its cobbled streets and local	Development priority					
shops creates an attractive and interesting offering to visitors, along with major attractions such as <b>Castle Cornet</b> and <b>Victor Hugo's</b> house which are within a walking distance from the harbour	We understand that there is much debate upon the merits of a redevelopment. We would <b>endorse</b> the view that there is a significant opportunity that will <b>enhance the overall infrastructu</b> .					
However, a significant portion of the harbour is currently being used as a space for free parking and industrial units which affects the						
overall aesthetics. Relative to other harbours that have been regenerated, it is substantially under exploited. Many of the stakeholders interviewed agreed that a sympathetic development would enhance many aspects of the Island's proposition	<ul> <li>Initiatives proposed include a privately funded, 59k sqft mixed-use development, with a cinema offering, prime commercial space, retail and F&amp;B</li> </ul>					
(accommodation, retail, F&B, cruise ship disembarkation) with a much wider GDP benefit beyond just tourism	<ul> <li>Also proposed is creation of an iconic art venue on the harbour similar to other cities with successful art venues / galleries (e.g. Marseille, Bordeaux)</li> </ul>					
<ul> <li>Visitor experience, particularly for cruise ships, can be significantly enhanced. Currently, there are issues around arrival facilities, poor transportation around the Island and often a lack of flexibility in opening times from shops and attractions</li> </ul>	Other harbours also contain a mix of hotels, some high end residential, with space for restaurants, bespoke retail and commercial offices					

### Ports have historically been industrial areas, but many have been successfully developed into key residential and tourist destinations

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	Belfast Harbour Belfast, N. Ireland	Gunwharf Quays Portsmouth, UK	Chatham Dockyard Kent, UK	Salford Quays Manchester, UK	Conenhagen	<b>Ibiza Port</b> <i>Ibiza, Spain</i>
Overview	Successful regeneration around Titanic shipyard	Regenerated ex-naval base with strong community impact	Successful harbour front with adjacent ongoing redevelopment	Public-private funded regeneration of Manchester Docks	17 <sup>th</sup> century canal and long-time tourist hotspot	Bustling island port city in Mediterranean
Key Attraction	Titanic shipyard	Spinnaker Tower (observation tower)	Chatham Historic Dockyard	Imperial War Museum	Historic townhouses and ships	Nightlife
Events	Variety of events including sport events and exhibitions	Hosts international sailing events	Upcoming exhibition and event space (EventCity)	Lowry Centre	Open-air events (market-style)	Events hosted in the numerous high profile nightclubs
Lodging	Premier Inn, Marriott (upcoming), Boutique Hotels	Holiday Inn Express, Boutique Hotels	Travelodge, Boutique Hotels	Marriott, Travelodge, Holiday Inn, Ibis, Premier Inn, Copthorne	Best Western, Boutique Hotels	Hilton, Playasol, THB, Boutique Hotels, Private Villas
Other Components	Retail, Leisure, F&B, Heritage, Commercial, Residential	Retail, Leisure, F&B, Heritage, Commercial, Residential	Retail, F&B, Heritage, Commercial, Residential	Retail, Leisure, F&B, Heritage, Commercial, Residential	Retail, Leisure, F&B, Heritage	Retail, Leisure, F&B, Heritage
Key Success Factors	<ul> <li>£2bn of Gross Development Value (1992-2011)</li> <li>c.150,000 cruise visitors per year</li> <li>15,000 office jobs in City Quays upon completion (estimated)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>£27m rent revenue and £200m+ valuation for Gunwharf Quays shopping complex in 2017</li> <li>5m visitors to shopping complex during first year of opening (2001)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>3,500 new jobs expected upon completion in 2023</li> <li>Aims to create 900m of new waterfront, 400,000 sqft of commercial space, 125,000 sqft of retail and leisure</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Unemployment fell from 8.7% to 4.5% between 1996 and 2006</li> <li>718 businesses employing c.21,600 people in 2017</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Aesthetically attractive</li> <li>Popular appeal to residents and visitors of Copenhagen</li> </ul>	Attracts top-end entertainment and music industry icons, with a unique entertainment proposition
Investment	£500m – £1bn	c.£500m	c.£650m - £1bn	c.£900m - £1bn	N/A	N/A

Source: Public Information, PwC Analysis

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## Successful harbour redevelopment projects are well-planned and well-funded mixed-use developments

#### Mix-use developments

 Successful harbour / waterfront developments tend to have multiple components in close proximity to each other, such as leisure attractions, hotels, retail, F&B and cultural attractions

#### **Economic and Social Balance**

- Large scale redevelopment projects need to be well planned in order to meet the needs of the resident community as well as the tourist segment
- The successful development is both economic and socially balanced

#### **Government support and policy**

 Large scale redevelopment projects tend to have government support through funding and /or favourable policies



#### **Residential Component**

 Residential components ensure the development is activated all year round, and tend to enhance its the commercial viability (e.g. upfront cashflow from the off-plan sales)

#### **Coherent Master Plan**

- Successful harbour projects tend to be phased and based on a long term development plan which supports regeneration
- Phased developments progressively activate and expand the area

#### Public-private Partnership (PPP)

 The majority of successful harbour redevelopment projects have been funded through a PPP framework which is based on risk-cost-andreward-sharing

Source: Public Information, PwC Analysis

### We propose activating the harbour area around Castle Cornet to create a tourist destination

Illustrative

#### What makes a destination?

- A destination includes multiple components in close proximity to each other, such as leisure attractions, hotels, and cultural attractions
- Destinations are more appealing than standalone attractions, as they attract a larger number of visits (multiplier effect) and increase average dwell time and spend per visit

#### **Multiplier Effect**

Having multiple leisure components in close proximity increases footfall to each individual component



Longer Stays per Tourist

Encouraged by a wide range of leisure activities and accommodation available



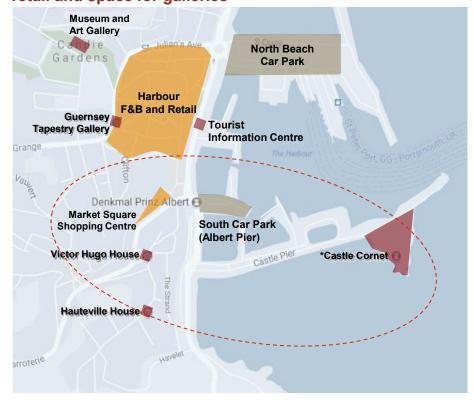
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Opportunity to gain revenue from ancillary offering e.g. retail, food and beverage

**Complimentary Revenue Sources** 



Initial phase of harbour regeneration could focus on the area around Castle Cornet but can be significantly expanded across much of the industrial and parking spaces. Development could contain a mix of hotels, some high end residential, with space for restaurants, bespoke retail and space for galleries



Source: World Bank, UN World Tourism Organisation, Las Vegas Conventions and Visits Authority, PwC Analysis

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## Castle Cornet is the key standout attraction on the Island and is significantly under activated

Tourism Product Offering: Culture & Heritage (Castle Cornet)						
Examples of offering in Guernsey		Relevance to target market				
Castle Cornet  Assessment of product offering in Guernsey		<ul> <li>Culture and heritage is one of the key attractors for Baby Boomer and the Swing Generation</li> <li>Around 50% of Baby Boomers rank "Exploration of new cultures" one of the top 5 things they look for in a holiday</li> </ul>				
		<ul> <li>Castle Cornet is the second most popular attraction on the Island with more than a third of the travellers visiting, according to the Online Visitor Survey 2016</li> </ul>				
<ul> <li>Castle Cornet is the centrepiece of the harbour and St Peter Port, and the stand out heritage site on the Island</li> </ul>		Development priority				
<ul> <li>While the attraction is well kept overall and holds a well curated collection across its three museums, it is not fully exploited/activated when compared to global benchmarks (e.g. Windsor Castle, Alnwick Castle), which have more extensive ancillary offerings (e.g. F&amp;B, retail, events, and in some cases</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Most successful global heritage destinations are well-supported by tourism facilities such as food and beverage, retail and in many cases lodging (e.g. heritage hotels). Such features encourage lon dwell time by tourists and turn a heritage site into a destination, rather than a single attraction</li> </ul>				
<ul> <li>lodging) and are more 'alive' and distinctive</li> <li>Additionally, the Castle is closed from November to Mar the low season which affects overall visitor experience on</li> </ul>	more events/shows to bring the place to life, especially during the					
<ul> <li>Overall visitor experience could be improved. The surrous use affects the overall experience of getting to the castle a aesthetics of the attraction (e.g. sailing dinghies occupying parking, large area occupied by the model sailing pool). Pa too time limited if dwell time is to be increased beyond 2 h</li> </ul>	and g the arking is	<ul> <li>low season</li> <li>Activating the Castle will also enhance other initiatives, such as the overall St Peter Port Harbour development and the improvement the cruise proposition</li> </ul>				

## Most successful global heritage destinations are well-supported by tourism facilities such as food & beverage, retail and events

	Castle Cornet	Alnwick Castle	Windsor Castle	Göreme Open Air Museum	Plimoth Plantation
Known For	Role in 1338 French Invasion, English Civil War	Featured as Hogwarts in Harry Potter films	World's oldest and longest occupied castle	Complex of ancient cave churches	Recreation of English Colonists in America
Annual Visitors	65,000	250,000	1,356,000	950,000	500,000
Entrance Fee	Adults £10.50 Concession £3	Adults £26.10 Concession £22.20	Adults £19.20 Concession £17.50	£7	£20
On-Site Facilities and activities	<ul> <li>Limited F&amp;B and retail offering</li> <li>Some organised events including weddings, but no regular events</li> </ul>	Good F&B, retail and Events offering     Wide range of family-friendly activities and a regular schedule of events     Extensive venue hire opportunities with bespoke catering, especially for weddings	<ul> <li>Extensive retail         offering and good F&amp;B</li> <li>Family activities and         events every         Saturday and in         school holidays</li> <li>Self-guided audio tour         and children's audio         tour</li> <li>A variety of interactive         experiences</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Heritage cave hotels</li> <li>Exploratory</li> <li>experience</li> <li>Private tours</li> </ul>	Permanent exhibits enhanced with special events, public programs and workshops Engaging and experiential outdoor and indoor learning environment

Successful heritage sites benchmarked offer more extensive F&B, retail and organised experiences compared to Castle Cornet Such features encourage longer dwell time by tourists and turn a heritage site into a destination, rather than a single attraction

Source: Market Representatives, Government Statistics Centres, VisitBritain, PwC Analysis

## The average cost for select heritage regeneration projects in the UK ranges from £1,100 to £3,600 per square meter

Heritage site	Project Period	Built up area (m²)	Cost	2017 Cost per m <sup>2</sup>	Funding mechanism	Previous Owner	Previous Use	New Owner	New Use
Oxford Castle (Oxford)	2001- 2006	40,469	£44.5m	£1,765	Private: £34.2m Public: £10.3m	Home Office	Jail	Oxford County Council	Mixed-use development
Portrush Town Hall (N. Ireland)	2004- 2006	2,175	£1.6m	£1,104	Private: £0.6m Public: £1m	Coleraine Borough Council	Town Hall	Hearth Revolving Fund	Leased to Coleraine Borough Council for events
Castlemilk Stables (Glasgow)	2005- 2007	3,767	£4.2m	£1,621	Public and Private (23 sources)	Glasgow City Council	Vacant	Cassiltoun Trust	Community Centre
Tower Mill (Hawick)	2001- 2007	4,161	£9.4m	£3,627	Public only	Charitable Trust	Spinning Mill & Mill Shop	Scottish Borders Council	Heritage hub, theatre, cinema, coffee shop and offices

Source: The Prince's Regeneration Trust, PwC Analysis

## Victor Hugo is not given sufficient prominence nor fully exploited, and would appeal to both French and Anglo visitors

Examples of offering in Guernsey		R	elevance to target market	
Hauteville House (Victor Hugo), Little Chapel		•	Culture and heritage are one of the key attractors for Baby and the Swing Generation	Boomers
Assessment of product offering in Guernsey		•	Around 50% of Baby Boomers rank "Exploration of new cultone of the top 5 things they look for in a holiday	tures" as
<ul> <li>Hauteville House is the only residence that Victor Hugo o lived in for 15 years, making it an important attraction</li> </ul>	nuteville House is the only residence that Victor Hugo owned and ed in for 15 years, making it an <b>important attraction</b>			
<ul> <li>Though with visitor number restrictions, the house is well open to the public, but is not as exploited as Victor Hug apartment in Paris, where many third party exhibitions, wand events are held to keep the place alive (e.g. Museum talks, workshops for young visitors, VIP viewing, photoshofilming, seminars, conferences, venue hire)</li> <li>Other Victor Hugo sites on the Island are largely unmarked.</li> <li>As the Hauteville House will be closed for renovation for a months, it is important for the Island to showcase Victor Hother ways and through other attractions</li> <li>The Little Chapel is another well visited and unique attraction the Island, despite not being of a scale large enough to be stand alone tourist draw</li> </ul>	yo's rented vorkshops n-organised oots, ed c.18 Hugo in		The Island is blessed with having connections to an internal literary icon in Victor Hugo. This though is not given suffice prominence or activated  The Island needs to own the story with investment in more associated with Victor Hugo, give more exposure to key so make it a front piece to project the Island's Anglo French in We can envisage successful larger scale performance are and drama) events/festival being based around Victor Hugo other writers and dramatists, using the Castle for a Son et Lusing music from Les Miserables for example	events sites and neritage ts (literal

## Military and occupations sites and museums are not well exploited today but are an important feature of the overall Island package

Tourism Product Offering: Military & occupation sites and museums						
Examples of offering in Guernsey	Relevance to target market					
Fort Grey, German Military Underground Hospital, Occupation museum	Military sites and museums could be important features that appeal to the target market as an attractive option for their visit, though underexploited today					
Assessment of product offering in Guernsey	The German Occupation Museum is one of the Top 5 Attractions on the Island according to the Online Visitor Survey 2016					
While there are numerous structures, the attraction to tourists is diminished as there was no major battle field event or tragic human	Development priority					
event (e.g. holocaust) upon which to develop a compelling narrative.  The structure is thus not a sufficiently compelling stand alone draw compared to other locations (e.g. D Day landings, WW1 trenches)	There needs to be more coordination and consistency in presenting and marketing the offering. We expect that more innovation and enthusiasm can be generated locally if managed					
However, there is still an interesting social and visual history thread which will be significantly supported by the film "Guernsey Literary"	<ul> <li>outside of the Government directly (See Funding Mechanisms)</li> <li>The majority of occupation sites/attractions are privately owned, with</li> </ul>					
and Potato Peel Pie Society"	the owners often running the facilities themselves. Many of these					
<ul> <li>The sites are interesting but underexploited and often poorly kept/presented, with little marketing literature and connectivity</li> </ul>	assets are under at <b>risk.</b> It is therefore important for the States to protect.					
The majority of privately owned occupation attractions are often dated, too static, with weak signage and limited dedicated parking, and generally do not offer the interactive engagement modern consumers now expect	As for the State owned military assets, many of these are currently unused (e.g. coastal towers) and can be regenerated/converted into successful tourist destinations (e.g. self catering, alfresco dining venue, mixed use venue, art gallery)					
Overall, visitor experience around military sites and museums is weak and disjointed as the sites are not connected nor bundled/marketed together as one offering						

## Various locations around Europe have a stronger WWII heritage compared to Guernsey upon which to base a compelling narrative







**Anne Frank House** 



Auschwitz-Birkenau Memorial and Muesum

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Location	Normandy, France	Amsterdam, Netherlands	Oświęcim, Poland
Historical	The largest seaborne invasion in history	The building preserves the hiding place of Anne Frank when she was trying to	The largest of the German Nazi
signification/ importance  • The operation began the liberation of German-occupied Europe and contributed to the Allied victory on the Western Front	<ul> <li>All the rooms in the house have been preserved to their original style and decor from the hiding period</li> </ul>	concentration camps and extermination centres, in which over 1.1 million men, women and children lost their lives	
Description	<ul> <li>Vast area with a series of beaches with strong historical significance</li> <li>Includes several museums and attractions such as Merville Battery, Musee du Mur de l'Atlantique Le Bunker, Musee America-Gold Beach etc.</li> <li>Events, circuits, festivals and activities organised on a regular basis in the region</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Biographical museum dedicated to Jewish wartime diarist Anne Frank</li> <li>Has a few permanent exhibitions and regular temporary exhibitions</li> <li>Engaging experience with films in which people that knew Anne Frank talk about her</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The authentic Memorial consists of two parts of the former camp: Auschwitz and Birkenau</li> <li>Free admissions but different types of guided tours are offered to visitors</li> <li>Permanent and temporary exhibitions</li> <li>Dwelling time: c.3.5h</li> </ul>

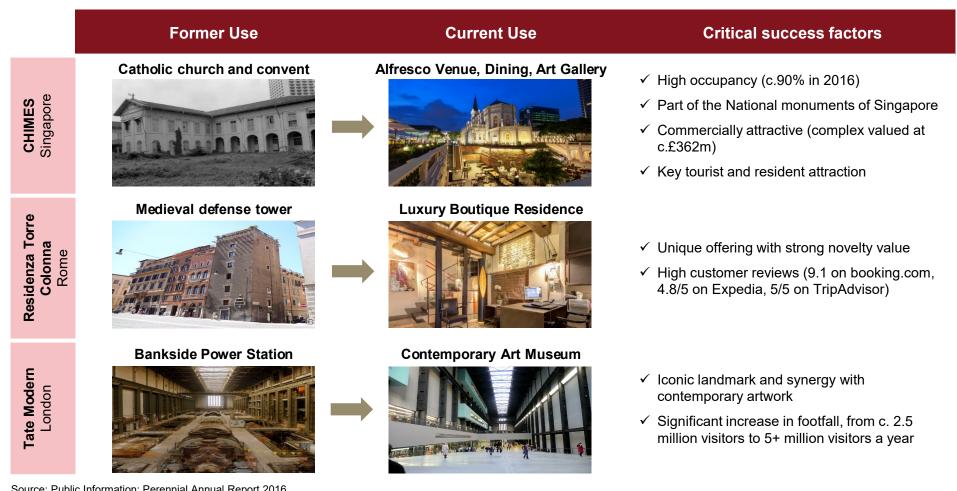
Annual Visitors N/A ~1.2m ~1.7m

Source: Publicly available sources

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## The State owns many unused heritage assets that can be regenerated/converted into successful tourist destinations

#### **Examples of successful regeneration/conversion of historic sites**



Source: Public Information; Perennial Annual Report 2016

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## The Bailiwick archipelago is an attractive offering that will appeal to the target market but could be better exploited

Tourism Product Offering: Sister Bailiwick Islands					
Examples of offering in Guernsey	Relevance to target market				
Trips/excursions to Herm, Sark, Alderney, Lihou	<ul> <li>Island hopping is an attractive offering for the current target market</li> <li>Almost 50% of visitors in 2017 mentioned Island hopping as one of</li> </ul>				
Assessment of product offering in Guernsey	the main reasons they considered Guernsey as a destination (probably including Jersey)				
The Bailiwick Islands is a <b>differentiating proposition</b> as each of the Islands provides an alternative experience for the visitor (e.g.	Development priority				
<ul> <li>occupation in Alderney, no cars in Sark and Herm, Dark Sky in Sark)</li> <li>Guernsey is the only <b>hub</b> from which visitors can access the other Bailiwick Islands (with the exception of Alderney which can be accessed from the UK)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The Bailiwick experience is a differentiated offering which is attractive to the target market and could be better exploited. We believe the priority is with Herm and Sark as Alderney is too far for a viable day trip</li> </ul>				
<ul> <li>The current trip/excursion proposition is quite limited with only a few transport options, and it is relatively inconvenient for visitors who have cars given the limited parking space in St. Peter's Port. More than 50% of the visitors to the Island (54.7%) have not taken any excursions to other Islands whilst in Guernsey, according to the Online Visitor Survey 2016</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Feedback from the Profile Form Report suggests visitors would like more information about the actual Islands in the Guernsey marketing material. Island hopping experience could be enhanced through better packaging and marketing, more transport choices, and more things to do on the Islands and around their coasts. However, this will rely on more entrepreneurial private development of activities</li> </ul>				
Packages with Sark are currently severely constrained following the closure of 4 hotels on the Island	A current initiative to introduce <b>sea-planes</b> could be exploited to create bespoke and unique trips over and onto the Islands. In				
There is also an opportunity to create more activities that bring the Islands together, both in terms of overnight stays and day trips	addition more <b>yacht and motorboat</b> cruises around the Islands would be an attractive proposition				

### Guernsey's current art and sculpture proposition is modest, however there is a potential base of art on the Island to be exploited

Tourism Product Offering: Art & Sculpture			
Examples of offering in Guernsey	Relevance to target market		
Guernsey Museum at Candie, Sculpture Park at Sausmarez Manor, Neolithic sculptures and passages/caves	Art tourism is a growing area and particularly appeals to the higher wealth segments		
Assessment of product offering in Guernsey	St Ives for example has achieved international recognition for its partnership with the Tate, while coastal sculptures attract attention		
<ul> <li>The current art and sculpture proposition in Guernsey is not well differentiated and is lacking key standout attractors</li> </ul>	Development priority		
<ul> <li>Guernsey Museum at Candie is the only key attraction on the Island with a well curated art collection, despite being small compared to other major global museums. Moreover, the museum is located on a steep hill, with no dedicated bus stop and parking, making it difficult to visit, especially for elderly cruise passengers.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Art has proven successful with the core market and we advise that this could be a successful focus on which to create short term recognition and longer term visitation</li> <li>We note ideas put forward to exploit the art owned by many residents on the Island to create a permanent art exhibition</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Feedback from the Profile Form Report 2016 shows a lack of disability friendly facilities in museums</li> </ul>	venue. If the intent can be further substantiated, the art proposition on the Island can be significantly enhanced through a form of		
Stakeholders have indicated that there are large privately held art collections on the Island that could be exploited to create an iconic art location in the same vein as St Ives in Cornwall	<ul> <li>public private partnership</li> <li>Other initiatives include partnering with other museums and galleries and hosting international exhibitions that showcase</li> </ul>		
<ul> <li>Guernsey's Neolithic sculptures and heritage is dispersed on the Island, with limited information displayed on the artifacts and relatively limited marketing. We see these as being of very niche interest</li> </ul>	and expand the current art and sculpture proposition		
The privately owned sculpture collection in the Sculpture Park is not well curated and acts as retail/commercial initiative for the owner rather than a tourist attraction. Furthermore feedback from the Profile Form Report 2016 suggests the adjacent offering there is of low quality service.  The Product and Output Exercises Strategies.			

Strategy&

## Various locations around the UK became tourist attractions by leveraging modern and peculiar art pieces









	Crosby Beach, Liverpool	Aldeburgh, Suffolk	St Ives, Cornwall	Gateshead, Tyne and Wear
Attractions	Another Place Statue	Scallop Shell	Tate St Ives Gallery, Barbara Hepworth Museum and Sculpture Garden	The Angel of the North
Artist	Antony Gormley	Maggi Hambling	Various	Antony Gormley
Description	<ul> <li>The 100 cast iron figures have been exhibited in several locations around Europe before being permanently installed at Crosby Beach</li> <li>The naked statues initially raised controversy, though they became an important tourist attraction in the region</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The 15ft high sculpture is a controversial piece of art situated on the beach</li> <li>The piece is constructed of two giant stainless steel scallop shells which interlock</li> <li>The controversial nature of the art created a landmark for the region and became one of the biggest attractions on the beach</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>The town hosts a variety of art pieces including the Tate iconic gallery situated in proximity to the seafront, overlooking Porthmeor Beach</li> <li>The Tate gallery is currently being redeveloped to accommodate additional space for art, events and activities</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Sculpture of an angel 66ft tall with wings measuring 177ft, slightly leaning forward to create a sense of embrace</li> <li>Project funded mostly by the National Lottery</li> <li>One of the most famous sculptures in the UK</li> <li>Visited by approx.150,000 people every year</li> </ul>

Source: Publicly available sources, Visit Britain, Visit England, Gateshead Council

## Guernsey has the foundations of a decent walking destination but only as part of an overall Island package

Tourism Product Offering: Soft Activities				
Examples of offering in Guernsey		Relevance to target market		
Walking, Trekking, Cycling		Walking/trekking is one of the most popular adventure holiday activity for the Baby Boomers and is expected to grow in the next 5 years (20% vs 32% participation rate)		
Assessment of product offering in Guernsey		<ul> <li>According to the Profile Form Report 2016 62% of the peop mentioned walking was one of the reasons that inspired the consider Guernsey</li> </ul>		
None of the Island's activity offerings are a stand alone tourist draw relative to better options in UK, though can form an attractive part of an overall 'health and wellness' package  The most important is walking, which, while unchallenging and cannot compete with many UK walking areas, offers pleasant scenery and views and could be much better leveraged including more events and much better signage  There is a lack of branding which has previously been a successful marketing feature for other UK destinations (e.g. The Jurassic coast, The Ridgeway etc.) and may help with differentiation  There are insufficient open spaces and roads are too narrow with traffic to fully push cycling as a genuine mass activity for serious cyclist visitors to Guernsey		Pevelopment priority  Given the potential for differentiation and the growing trend in the travel market, enhancing the walking proposition should be given priority  Guernsey's offering could be further developed to become more appealing to the current demographic and attract new visitors. Better signage, information and packaging is needed to transform the product into a high quality walking offering  Future initiatives may focus on branding and events/challenges (such as Active Challenge's series of Ultra Challenge walks) to attract new visitors to the Island		

## The Island's current events appear well received but mainly target residents and are not seen as becoming main tourist drivers

#### **Tourism Product Offering: Festivals and Events** Examples of offering in Guernsey Relevance to target market Island celebrations, sporting events, food festivals (e.g. Tennerfest), Events and festivals have potential to attract high number of visitors. Sark Folk Festival, Sea Front Sundays, literary events, The Heritage If tailored around Baby Boomers' interests and marketed Festival appropriately they could become an appealing proposition but they take time to develop and gain traction Assessment of product offering in Guernsey There is a wide range of events and festivals on the Island, however, **Development priority** most these are of a relatively **small scale** and primarily cater to the local population. Only 22% of the visitors strongly agree that Guernsey could identify one or two key events which are well Guernsey is an Island of festivals according to the Online Visitor differentiated and appeal to the target markets. As such we do not Survey 2016 recommend looking at sports events to attract tourists It can take many years for an event to become established as a Future initiatives may leverage more cultural heritage and tourist draw and if trying to develop one from scratch it needs to be traditions (such as exploiting the Victor Hugo connection), and may viable with local attendance use innovative ways to reach scale (such as bringing a celebrity During the Heritage Festival, the one week long initiative around chef). We note some events (e.g. Sea Front Sundays, The Food Victor Hugo (e.g. 150th anniversary of the publication of Victor Festival) might be important for the Cruise market, and should be Hugo's "Toilers of the Sea") seemed to gain traction. Similar maintained initiatives may attract French tourists, and could be further exploited Should the Arts & sculpture proposition be taken forward, it could Examples of successful events that attract tourists (e.g. Oktoberfest, be tied to events and could be successfully developed and marketed La Tomatina) leverage local culture and heritage to create an to the international market unique experience

## Successful events take a long time to be established and to attract tourists, and tend to be tied to local culture and heritage











	Oktoberfest	La Tomatina	<b>Notting Hill Carnival</b>	Palio di Siena	San Fermin Festival
Location	Munich, Germany	Valencia, Spain	London, UK	Siena, Italy	Pamplona, Spain
Duration (Date)	16-18 days (Mid September – Early October)	c. 1h (Last Wednesday of August)	2 days (August bank holiday Monday and preceding Sunday)	~4 days (90s race) (2 <sup>nd</sup> of July and 16 <sup>th</sup> of August)	1 week (6-14 <sup>th</sup> July)
Known For	Beer	Tomato fights	Music and costumes	Bareback horse races	Running of the Bulls
Description	<ul> <li>Annual folk festival showcasing Bavarian culture; first held in 1810 for the marriage of King Ludwig I</li> <li>Includes amusement rides, a wide variety of traditional food, games and costume parades</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Fight held annually since 1945 when during a public event the crowd started a fight with tomatoes in absence of other weapons</li> <li>Multiple parties are held during the day, including a boat party</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Led by members of the British West Indian community, the event promotes cultural unity and was first held as a response to racial issues in 1959</li> <li>Features multiple types of music, different shows and a wide food and beverage offering</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Races were first held in the Medieval ages and soon became tied to religious events</li> <li>Includes parties, rehearsal dinners, a variety of rituals and a historical costume parade</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Celebration of San         Fermin who is said to         have died being         dragged through the         streets with angry         bulls running after him</li> <li>Comprises of folkloric         events and parties,         rural Basque sports         (stone lifting, wood         cutting etc.) and bull         fighting</li> </ul>
Annual Visitors	~ 6m visitors (~15% foreign)	~20,000 visitors	~ 1m visitors (~40-50% from outside London)	~50,000 visitors to each event	~1m visitors

## The F&B offering in Guernsey is of a good standard, but does not have international recognition

Tourism Product Offering: F&B				
Examples of offering in Guernsey		Relevance to target market		
Restaurants, Cafes, Pubs, Bars, Kiosks		F&B is an important factor for a successful holiday and gastronomical tours are generally gaining momentum in the travel market		
		60% of the Baby Boomers mention enjoying good F&B is an important factor when going on holidays		
Assessment of product offering in Guernsey		Dining out is the most popular activity on the Island according to the Online Visitor Survey 2016		
<ul> <li>There is a good range of restaurants on the Island and in general they are of a good standard, with multiple boutique/family-run businesses rather than food chains</li> <li>The proposition is mainly tailored for residents and business visitors and lacks the scale to become a major tourist attraction, especially given the relatively high-standard expectations of the target market</li> <li>Guernsey's F&amp;B offering and cuisine does not have the international recognition necessary for the Island to become a gastronomical destination and the events organised (The Taste Guernsey Food Festival and Tennerfest) are mainly attracting residents</li> </ul>		Development priority		
		<ul> <li>A large amount of effort and industry coordination is required for Guernsey to become a main gastronomical destination, however there are ways in which the visitor experience could be improved</li> <li>There is a need for a stand-out element and better branding to significantly differentiate Guernsey from other destinations (e.g. celebrity chef, seafood focus)</li> </ul>		
		Overall, the current proposition is good, and will not disa visitors but will not be the main draw	appoint	seasonal proposition (festivals, events etc.). It could also do more to highlight its fresh seafood offering in particular crab

## Guernsey's sun & sand offering is not competitive compared to more attractive destinations that have become accessible and cheaper

#### **Tourism Product Offering: Sun and Sand** Examples of offering in Guernsey Relevance to target market 27 beaches (e.g. Cobo Beach, Vazon Bay, Grandes Rocques Bay. While beach holidays are popular amongst Baby Boomers, the short Fermaine Bay) beach season in Guernsey coupled with cheaper and more attractive beach destinations in Europe and the Mediterranean, make the sun Assessment of product offering in Guernsey and sand offering in Guernsey much less appealing to this market Guernsey (and the other Bailiwick Islands) have several unspoiled Development priority beaches, many of which are sandy and attractive to visitors seeking a sun and sand holiday (80% of surveyed visitors to Guernsey agree Guernsey's historic traditional core beach market relies principally on that the Island has good beaches) repeat business from the UK. While some families consistently visit However, the beach season in Guernsey is short with c.9 months this is not regenerating and this core beach market will decline / during the year with an average temperature below 15 degrees plateau as new consumers unfamiliar with Guernsey have a much Celsius wider range of more attractive, lower cost opportunities in the UK, Europe, and even Jersey (due to lower air fares) Public beach facilities (e.g. toilets, sun beds, umbrellas) are very **limited** and not all of them have kiosks / small restaurants which In light of the high cost of getting to Guernsey, the sun and sand service the public. The sun and sand offering can be significantly offering should take a lower priority in the Government's plans enhanced through offering more public facilities / amenities compared to other more attractive product offerings

# The non-military museum offering in Guernsey is not well differentiated and lacks key standout attractors

#### **Tourism Product Offering: Non-Military Museums** Examples of offering in Guernsey Relevance to target market Guernsey Museum at Candie, The Tapestry Museums are often important tourist attractions but they need to be distinctive with unique collections if they are to be a main draw Assessment of product offering in Guernsey Generally, the **State owned museums** are pleasantly kept, well **Development priority** curated and are operated more professionally than the privately owned museums The museum offering in Guernsey is not well differentiated as it However, several State owned museums (e.g. Guernsey Museum, lacks standout attractors (e.g. iconic content, iconic architecture, Castle Cornet museums) close during the autumn and winter, modern technology, highly interactive offering) and is thus not likely which significantly impacts the visitor experience during these to become a main draw for the target market months when many outdoor activities and attractions are The current museums do provide additional day time activities as inaccessible part of the Island package but without securing a leading **Privately owned museums** have large collections, but content is collection we do not advise this area as being a development not well curated, and availability and quality of information is in some priority cases poor (e.g. hand written signage) However there are actions that could be taken to modernise the **Digitization is lacking/poor** (e.g. voice buttons, old TV screens) visitor experience in line with other museums- such as more and could be enhanced to provide the visitor with a more interactivity and VR (this applies also to the Military museums modern/experiential activity covered in the previous page) Sales channels are weak as many of the museums only sell tickets at the door, and the Discovery Pass for State owned attractions is not well marketed

# Museums in Guernsey can enhance the visitor experience and dwell time by incorporating technology such as virtual reality

Technology Examples

Virtual Reality Headsets



Small Wonders: The VR Experience The Met, New York

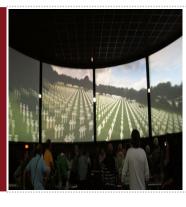
- Visitors explore the detailing on artefacts by moving through, around, and within them
- 3D rendered items include 16th century Gothic prayer beads and rare boxwood carvings



### TheBlu Natural History Museum, Los Angeles

- Visitors can use HTC Vive VR headsets; Hand controller acts as a virtual flashlight
- Provides the visitor with a sea life experience (e.g. meet an 80-foot blue whale, stop on a coral reef, dive into an abyss)

Audiovisual Elements



### Arromanches 360 Circular Cinema Normandy

- A film is played across nine large screens covering the theatre's circumference
- Immersion is augmented by highquality soundtracks and mixing images from archives with contemporary images



### The Pink Floyd Exhibition *V&A*, *London*

- V&A's most successful music exhibition ever, popular across audience types
- Combines authentic staging and quality sound
- Integrates actual equipment, stage props, posters, and artwork used by the band

Source: Public Information

# Botanical gardens and parks in Guernsey do not have sufficient uniqueness to stand out as a key tourist attractor

Tourism Product Offering: Botanical Gardens and Parks					
Examples of offering in Guernsey	Relevance to target market				
Victorian Walled Garden, Candie Gardens, Sausmarez Manor Sub- tropical Garden	While horticulture is popular for a segment of the UK tourist market (e.g. 50+ enthusiasts, members of RHS), it does not stand out as a major trend in tourism				
Assessment of product offering in Guernsey	Even though 47% of the people mentioned the Wildlife/Flora/Fauna inspired them to come to Guernsey, this is not one of the most important factors				
Guernsey's gardens and park are not of a scale or uniqueness to be a major visitor attraction	Development priority				
We recognise <b>Guernsey's floral heritage</b> and that some climatic advantages over the UK enable a wider range of flora and fauna. However, it is not sufficiently different from other destinations	<ul> <li>Guernsey's floral offering is not sufficiently unique to stand out as a key tourist attractor</li> <li>Available initiatives which deal with improvement of parks and</li> </ul>				
<ul> <li>Even though there has been extensive work in this area done by volunteers, the product offering is limited with not enough outstanding species. The gardens and parks currently lack a</li> </ul>	enhancement of current product offering are mostly targeting, and will have a greater impact on, the local/resident population rather than on tourists				
differentiating factor and a story/outstanding characteristic	While we do not think Guernsey has sufficient uniqueness to stand				
<ul> <li>Presentation of current attractions is modest, with not enough available information and signage</li> </ul>	out in this market, the ideas for regenerating Saumaurez Park need consideration				
Packaging of multiple attractions or points of interest for flora lovers is relatively modest and often inconvenient given no available parking					
Overall Guernsey does not have sufficient uniqueness to stand out in this market					

### Guernsey's hard activity offering does not appeal to the target demographic and is a more niche offering for experienced people

Tourism Product Offering: Hard Activities						
Examples of offering in Guernsey		Relevance to target market				
Surfing, Sailing		Hard activities are primarily appealing to a much younger demographic than Guernsey's target market				
Assessment of product offering in Guernsey		<ul> <li>Only 7% of the people were inspired by the sports/outdoor activities when coming to Guernsey according to the Profile Form Report 2016</li> </ul>				
1		Development priority				
<ul> <li>scale and more an adjunct to a visitor's stay rather than being the draw for visitors to the Island</li> <li>The current sailing proposition is limited to experienced sailors because the waters around the Island are challenging and relatively treacherous</li> <li>Surfing is highly dependent on weather conditions and waves are too inconsistent to attract a high number of enthusiasts compared to other destinations (e.g. Newquay for surf)</li> </ul>		<ul> <li>Regattas and organised sailing activities are unlikely to attract the average UK sailor and so would likely be sub scale</li> <li>Guernsey was once part of global power boat circuits. Even though there are some attractions in hosting such an event in terms of media coverage and awareness, the timing will usually be poor (during the peak season) and the actual audience is niche</li> <li>Events such as Triathalons, Tough Mudder, Spartan etc. are expensive to stage and have high breakeven points in terms of customer numbers (we estimate c.5000 for some events). They rely on high participation from residents and Guernsey may find it challenging to economically sustain such events, while adjacent economic benefits are likely to be small</li> </ul>				

### Guernsey's retail offering is adequate for the current target market

7	Tourism Product Offering: Retail						
E	Examples of offering in Guernsey		Relevance to target market				
•	Local shops, markets		•	<ul> <li>Retail is in general an important offering for visitors, especially for cruise passengers</li> </ul>			
A	Assessment of product offering in Guernsey		•	<b>63%</b> of the cruise passengers mention they have been showhilst in Guernsey	opping		
•	Overall the <b>retail offering is good</b> with a variety of boutiq especially for jewellery and arts and crafts, and a few interbrands such as M&S and Superdry	•	L	Development priority			
	The retail proposition is adequate for cruise passengers good number of shops situated around the harbour are	adequate for cruise passengers, with a		<ul> <li>Guernsey does not have the scale to compete with major shopping destinations in the UK (eg Gun Wharf Quays)</li> <li>Generally a strong and sustainable retail offering is supported by</li> </ul>			
•	The <b>favourable VAT</b> environment makes the Guernsey retail proposition relatively attractive compared to other destinations, nowever the offering could be further improved as there is a <b>limited</b>			the local demand and, given Guernsey's relative small population and high seasonality in visitor numbers, it is unlikely to be economic to become a major attraction			
•	number of luxury brands present on the Island Limitations in the retail offering are mainly around opening some of the shops, especially around the harbour are not during weekends. Only 34% of the visitors went shopping Guernsey (vs. 82% that dined out)	ng times, as ot open		We note that any <b>future harbour development</b> is likely to retail element which provides an opportunity to broaden th			
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# The wellness offering is not prominent enough to become an attraction and developments sit mainly with the private sector

Tourism Product Offering: Wellness				
Examples of offering in Guernsey	Relevance to target market			
Spas, wellness retreats (Bella Luce, OGH etc.)	Whilst the population is ageing and the demand for wellness services is increasing, Guernsey's offering is too limited to compete with major wellness destinations			
Assessment of product offering in Guernsey	Only 18% of the people were inspired by the wellness proposition when coming to Guernsey according to the Profile Form Report 2016			
<ul> <li>Guernsey's wellness proposition is adequate for the current target market, however it is not one of the main offerings on the Island</li> </ul>	Development priority			
<ul> <li>The number of spa retreats is relatively small and most of the wellness services are packaged as the adjacent rather than main offering of the accommodation provider</li> </ul>	The wellness proposition development is subject to the accommodation sector assessing the feasibility and investing in the offering. In this context government intervention would most			
<ul> <li>The wellness package proposition is limited with a few hotels (e.g. OGH, St Pier Park) trying to tap into the market</li> </ul>	likely be around change of use policy and planning rules, covered elsewhere in this report			
The investment in facilities is <b>sub-scale</b> at the moment and lacks both the facilities and the breadth of services to make Guernsey a <b>wellness destination</b>	Aspects of wellness are partially covered by the enhancement of soft activities such as walking			

# The entertainment offering in Guernsey is very limited and primarily serves the resident population

Tourism Product Offering: Entertainment						
Examples of offering in Guernsey		Relevance to target market				
Cinema, Theatre, FECs (e.g. Oatlands, ST Pier Park Golf	Range)	Entertainment is an important offering for peak season family holidays. However, it is not the primary offering that appeals to Baby				
Assessment of product offering in Guernsey		Boomer market and needs to be of a significant scale to be the ma attractor (e.g. theme park, world class casino)				
small scale family entertainment centres which mainly tai	The current proposition is limited to 2 cinema venues, 2 theatres and small scale family entertainment centres which <b>mainly target</b>		Development priority			
residents  Guernsey does not have a large scale entertainment venue such as a theme park, casino, large night club etc.  A family entertainment center is being built in a mixed use development (Oatlands), which will be a good addition to the things to do in Guernsey, but does not seem to be sufficient scale to attract tourists as a standalone offering		<ul> <li>In order to enhance the entertainment proposition in a way that would significantly impact tourism trends (e.g. a big amusement park), there is a requirement for big investment and effort (e.g. revising planning regulations). The current infrastructure and population in Guernsey would not be able to support an initiative of this scale</li> <li>Creating more entertainment venues alone in the harbour, though it will activate the area and transform the development into a mix-use location, is unlikely to constitute a main visitor attraction without other supporting components</li> <li>Other developments should be encouraged, but they will primarily be dependent on resident demand</li> </ul>				

# Guernsey's opportunities to become a strong MICE destination are limited, given connectivity issues and lack of space

Tourism Product Offering: MICE				
Examples of offering in Guernsey		Relevance to target market		
Facilities within Hotels, Stand-alone conference and exhibition centers  Assessment of product offering in Guernsey		MICE is a relevant offering to the business market, and not Guernsey's target market (50+ leisure segments)		

# Assessment of tourist accommodation offering

### Accommodation and planning policy

There is a wide mix of accommodation on the Island with some good recent development. However much of the old stock has been under invested, with falling occupancy and closures, particularly of coastal hotels. The short season, and falling numbers within this, is making many more coastal properties unviable, while tight planning laws are discouraging new investment. We note that despite this there are pinch points in peak season but there is a lack of flexible 'swing' rooms enabled by offerings such as Airbnb

**Performance** 

Guernsey's accommodation performance is **overall weak**, with declining number of beds and stagnating occupancy rates. Capacity is claimed to be constrained during a few peak months particularly for charters, which is problematic given the current **limited swing flexibility** that would have historically been offered by guest houses and B&Bs, of which there are few

Range & Quality

While the mix of hotels and self catering by star rating **appears appropriate** and similar to other destinations, this can be **misleading as not a good judge of quality** and feedback. Our own observation is that many of the hotels are not of a quality to meet the target markets' more modern expectations. We also note the restrictions placed on Airbnb type letting which we think should be relaxed. This will provide more flexibility as well as being attractive to all market segments including the 50+ segment

Future offering

The Island would need more **high quality boutique hotels** as well as **quality budget** hotels. An attractive angle for the target market are 'heritage hotels' which provide an immersive and unique experience and a revenue source on unused assets. The wellness offering with Spas and fitness classes is under developed and we encourage hotels to better leverage activities on the Island such as walking in 'health & wellness' packages

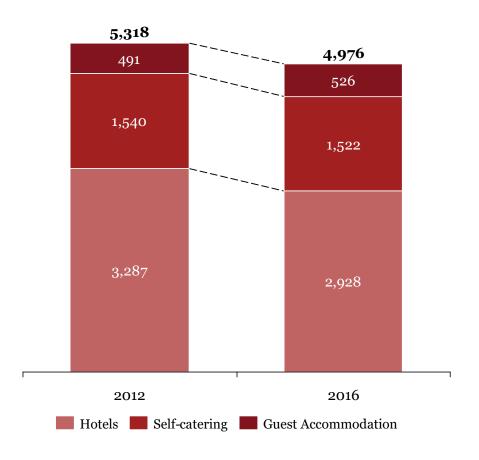
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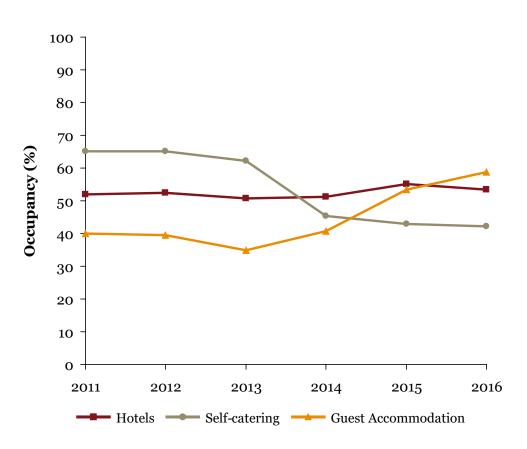
We recognise the concern over reforming the Change of Use rules leading to a rapid decline in bed stock. We do though believe that this needs a detailed study of options before allowing market forces to be allowed to play out to ensure that there is a reorientation of stock volume and quality to enable viability in the current market. Accommodation will need to be attractive to both businesses and upmarket tourists to extend the season. We also think that a number of the States' assets could be successfully redeveloped into a hospitality offering as seen in other markets including Jersey

# Guernsey has been faced with a declining number of beds and stagnating occupancy rates

Guernsey's accommodation stock<sup>1</sup>, 2012/2016 (# beds)

Average occupancy rate in Guernsey by type of accommodation, 2011-2016 (%)

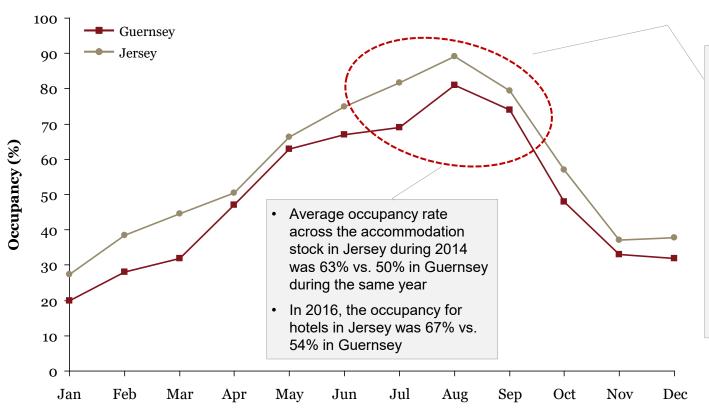




Note: <sup>1</sup> Excludes campsites, hostels, serviced apartments, and home lets Source: Government Information

# Capacity is constrained during the few peak months, which is problematic given the current limited swing flexibility

#### Average occupancy rates in Guernsey and Jersey across the accommodation industry, 2014



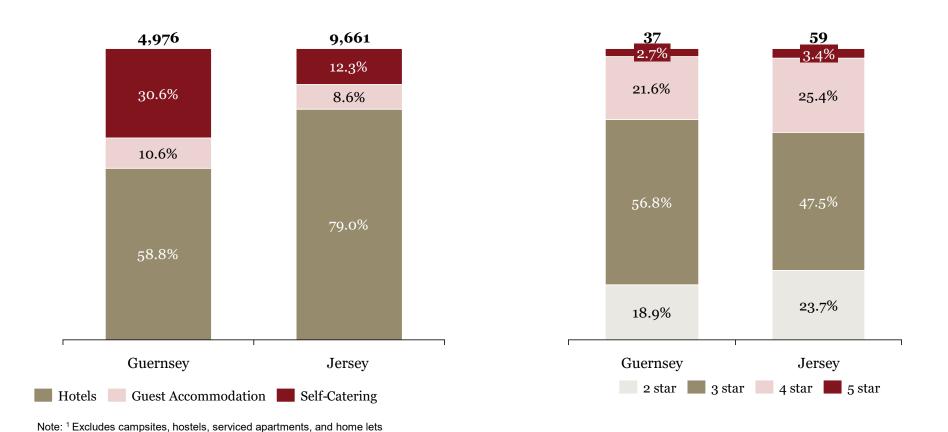
- Tour operators complain that during peak months there are often no available rooms
- Currently, there seems to be little swing flexibility to absorb the peaks and consideration needs to be given to allowing platforms such as Airbnb and OnefineStay to expand their periods of availability
- Likewise consideration needs to be given to more people being able to rent out their property for a longer period of time

Based on all available rooms and beds in 2014 Source: Jersey Destination Plan, Client Information

# While the mix of hotels by star rating appears appropriate and similar to other destinations, this can be misleading...

#### Breakdown of accommodation stock<sup>1</sup> by type, 2016

#### Breakdown of hotel stock by star rating, 2016



Source: Jersey Destination Plan, Client Information

# ...and our observation and received feedback suggests that the accommodation stock is not of a sufficient quality to meet target market expectations

#### Feedback/assessment of the accommodation stock in Guernsey:

Much of the accommodation, particularly in the 2-3 star categories, is not of a quality to meet target market expectations

- The lack of growth in visitors discourages investment which in turn has reduced the attractiveness of the accommodation product
- There seems to be too much coastal capacity with a number of accommodation establishments closing, and a number with an outdated offering
- Guernsey will need more high quality upscale accommodation with a broader range and more modern design if it is to better attract the slightly younger, wealthier customer segments
- We would encourage expanding the wellness offering with SPAs and classes and for hotels and selfcatering establishments to better leverage the Island activities, such as walking, in a 'health & wellness' package. This however will require private sector investment

There is a burgeoning market for staying in unique and quirky accommodations

An attractive angle for the target market are 'heritage hotels' and 'heritage self-catering establishments'
which provide an immersive and unique experience for visitors and a revenue source on unused assets
(e.g. State owned assets such as coastal towers) Jersey has been successful at converting its heritage
into self-catering facilities

• There is a burgeoning market for staying in unique and quirky accommodation, and we recommend exploration of opportunities for partnership with private sector developers and operators to develop these (e.g. Sennen bunker in Cornwall)

There maybe an opportunity for high quality boutique hotels and quality budget hotels

- We believe the Island needs more high quality boutique hotels and quality budget hotels to address the requirements of the target market
- Red Carnation is a good example of the power of being connected into a network and there may be value
  in association with the 'independent' brands of the large groups e.g. Autograph Collection that offers
  access to a largely US customer base

# We believe the States need to take a lead in unblocking the current position and setting a framework for the sector



The case for the liberalisation of the accommodation sector



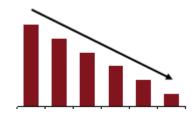
**Potential implications** 



Recommendation



- Feedback from interviews shows that many owners are ageing and want to divest
- While there are other people interested in investing in the hospitality sector, current planning process and change of use rules are making the accommodation sector in particular 'uninvestable' as developers do not want to expose themselves to the risk of being trapped in a failing venture with no exit options



 There is a risk of a rapid reduction in rooms if the restrictions are removed completely, but on balance we believe this needs to be positively and actively managed to reshape the bed stock in line with market trends and make it attractive to investors

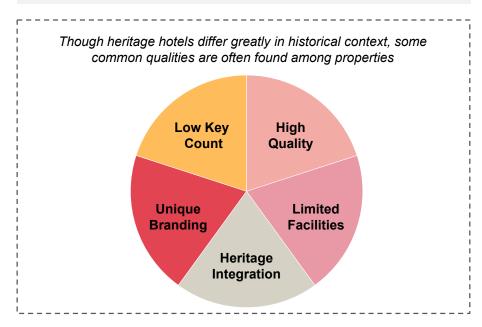


- With such mixed views on accommodation structure, conflicting opinion on data and the linkage of accommodation to the agreed strategic focus, we recommend a more detailed study in which different scenarios are developed
- We believe the States need to take a lead in unblocking the current position and setting a framework for the sector

# A boutique heritage hotel in Guernsey could bring the convenience of on-site lodging, an immersive experience for visitors and a revenue source

Heritage hotels are lodging establishments created within historic areas and incorporating the culture of these settings into the hotels. While there is not yet a worldwide standard that heritage hotels must adhere to in order to call themselves heritage hotels, many countries and regions have independent registries with requirements and hotel sub classifications, an example of which can be seen to the right

7 unique and well known heritage hotels have been profiled to shed light on the key characteristics of these properties, including history integration, size, star rating and ancillary facilities









#### Heritage Hotel Example Subcategories:

#### Heritage

- Built prior to 1950
- Minimum 5 rooms (10 beds)
- Features and ambiance reflect concept of heritage
- Traditional cuisine offered

#### Heritage Classic

- Built prior to 1950
- Minimum 15 rooms (30 beds)
- Features and ambiance reflect concept of heritage
- At least 1 defined sporting facility
- Traditional cuisine plus 4-5 offerings close to continental cuisine

#### Heritage Grand

- Built prior to 1950
- Minimum 15 rooms (30 beds)
- · Features and ambiance reflect concept of heritage with superior décor
- 50% of rooms air conditioned
- At least 2 defined sporting facility
- · Traditional cuisine plus full continental cuisine offered

Source: Market Representatives, Hotel and Restaurant Association of North India, PwC Analysis

### Heritage sites could also be converted into unique self-catering accommodation, similar to examples in Jersey

#### Example of heritage assets converted into self-catering accommodation in Jersey

#### **Fort Leicester**



- 19th century fort
- Sits above the harbour of Bouley Bay
- Offers access to a private garden and terrace
- Sleeps 8
- From £23pp/night

#### **Elizabeth Castle**



- · Castle apartment
- Sits one mile off the coast of St Helier
- · Surrounded by the sea twice a day
- Sleeps 6
- From £32pp/night

#### **Kempt Tower**



- · The historic Martello Tower
- Restored with all modern conveniences and fully equipped
- Sleeps 12
- From £15pp/night

#### **Seymour Tower**



- · Sits two miles offshore
- Surrounded by sea twice a day
- Opportunities to explore Jersey's marine wilderness at low tide
- · Sleeps 7
- From £350/night

#### La Crete Fort



- · Situated on Jersey's north coast
- Surrounded on three sides by the sea
- Sleeps 5
- · From £31pp/night

#### **Radio Tower**



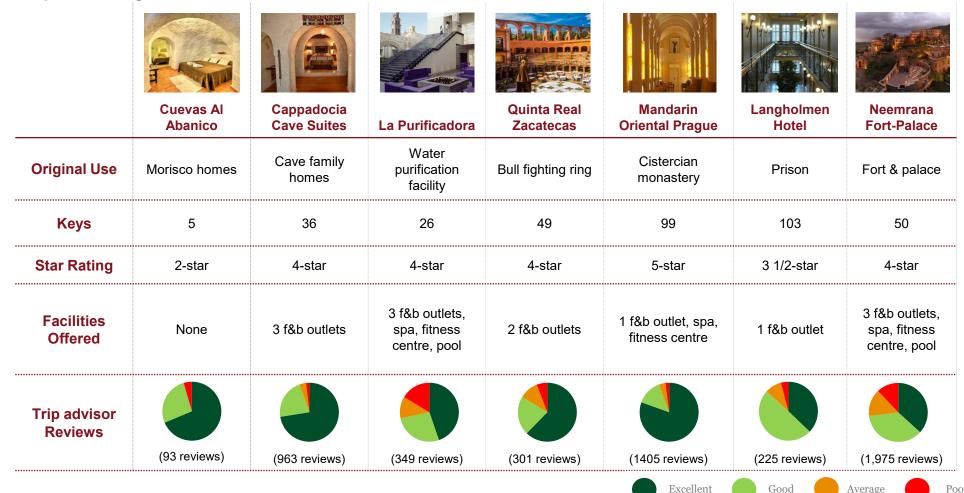
- Set on a cliff top overlooking Corbière lighthouse
- Built over six floors, the establishment offers a 360-degree view
- Sleeps 7
- From £32pp/night

Source: Jersey Heritage, pricing in November 2017

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# We profile the following 7 hotels as they are unique and creative examples of heritage hotels in North America, Europe and India

#### **Example of heritage assets converted into hotels**



Source: Market Representatives, Trip Advisor, PwC Analysis

### Funding and structure mechanisms

### Funding and structure mechanisms

Our Priority areas will require significant funds, though the business cases for these 'infrastructure' investments will be underpinned by the leasing of real estate components supporting the broader business and residential economies. We highlight that there are a number of **public/private funding mechanisms** and **operating and management structures** for State assets that can be applied to share the risks and benefits and promote more **entrepreneurial innovation** in the sector. We recommend a review of the planning processes and the population management policies

### Large Infrastructure

Developing the **harbour estate and Castle Cornet** into more fully serviced income generating leisure facilities will require **multi million** funding. Port and Heritage site development and regeneration has been **successfully achieved** in other places such as Plymouth and Portsmouth with **PPP** (partnerships between public authorities, who own/lease the sites, and private developers, financiers and operators)

### Heritage and Museums

Similar PPP models can be applied for **the potential redevelopment of the States' heritage properties** into hospitality businesses. E.g. conversion of towers into small living units, restaurants, coffee shops. We agree with many commentators that Government is **not always the best operator** of leisure assets. We believe there is an opportunity to both inspire more innovation in presentation and use of assets and **unlock domestic donations** through the creation of a **'charitable foundation'** to include a number of key assets. This has been used in the UK with the successful creation of **Historic Royal Palaces**, including the Tower of London

#### Supporting Entrepreneurs

We note that much of the gap in the visitor experience is **the lack of small hospitality and leisure enterprises** providing interesting activities; being off the beach, at sea or within the Island. This could be due to the difficulty of getting planning, funding and business support. Other countries have created **public funds** specifically designed to provide low cost funding and support to entrepreneurs which could be adopted by the State.

#### **Policy**

We have noted the issues with **planning and change of use** and recommend a detailed study **into the economics** of the accommodation sector today in order to develop impact scenarios. There may be options to **secure undertakings** from developers to either contribute 'value' for change of use or to redevelop accommodation elsewhere. We also advise a review of the impact of **population management** policies on the sector to better understand whether it is the policies or exchange rate causing more harm to the sector

# There are multiple types of funding mechanisms with various levels of government contribution and risk sharing

#### Types of funding mechanisms



Source: Getty Conservation Institute, PwC analysis

# The most common mechanisms for cultural/heritage developments maintain state ownership but outsource management

Government

Crown corporation/ agency/ charity

Design-build (DB) Operation/ maintenance/ service/ license

Finance only

Design-buildoperate Leasedevelopoperate Build-leaseoperatetransfer (BOT) Build-ownoperatetransfer (BOOT)

Buy-buildoperate (BBO)

Privatization

Cultural/ heritage activation



Historic Royal Palaces (visitor attraction) London, UK



e.g. Union Station, (tourist attraction) Washington D.C., USA



e.g. Western Gate (hotel) Alba Iulia, Romania



e.g. Paradores (Castle-hotels) Spain

Museums



V&A (museum) London, UK



Science Museum (museum) London, UK 9/II MEMORIAL &MUSEUM

9/11 Memorial Museum New York, USA



eNational Military Museum (museum) Soest, Netherlands

Harbour development



e.g. Darling Harbour (harbour) Sydney, Australia



e.g. Greystones (harbour) Wicklow, Ireland



e.g. Chatham Docks (harbour) Kent. UK

Source: Publicly available sources, Getty Conservation Institute, IFC

# Oxford Castle is an example of a successful heritage site regeneration through public-private partnership





#### **Overview**

- The Oxford Castle Heritage Site is a 5-acre redevelopment occupying the remains of Oxford Castle, previously owned by the Home Office and used as a prison
- The 10-year project regenerated the site into a mixed-use development comprising an art gallery, hotel, heritage attraction, and F&B options. The total project cost is estimated at £44.5mn (c.£1,765/m²) and was completed in 2006

#### **Objectives of the regeneration**

- 1. Restore and conserve the heritage assets
- 2. Maximise public access to and through the site
- 3. For whole site to be developed, managed and recognised as a single entity
- 4. Encompass sustainable commercial use and a full interpretation of the site's history and heritage
- 5. Deliver at minimum risk and cost to council tax payers

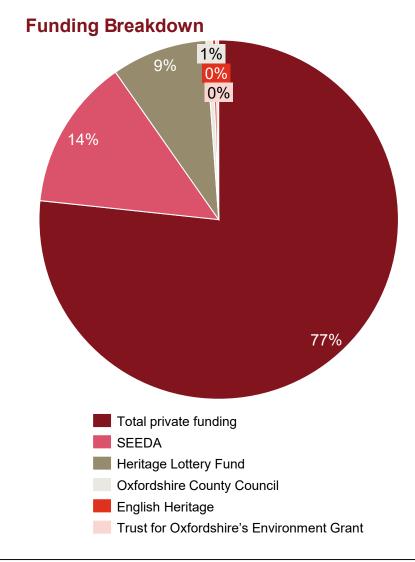
1996 Oxford Prison 1997 closes for the last time Oxfordshire County Council purchases 1997-2001 freehold of the castle site from the Home Office for Oxfordshire County Council £90.500 funds the upkeep of the empty 1997-2001 prison by renting it out to film and television Oxfordshire County Council established a partnership with the private sector, 1998 SEEDA. Oxford Preservation Trust, the Plans put out for public Heritage Lottery Fund and consultation **English Heritage** 2001 Planning permission and Sep 2005 grant-funding are put in place; demolition and restoration Last intensive phase of starts construction commences Nov 2005 First businesses open, including restaurants and the Malmaison Hotel 2006 "Unlocked" (the heritage visitor attraction) opens; Oxford Castle **Education Centre opens** 

Source: The Prince's Regeneration Trust, PwC Analysis

# Total funding for the project was £44.5m, with a private-public funding ratio of 3.3 to 1.0

#### **Funding Mechanism**

- Due to the historic nature of the buildings and the planning restrictions for the listed buildings, the expected development value of the site fell below the estimated development costs
- To make the development viable, public sector support was required.
   The project was funded in partnership by the private sector and public grants, which minimised impact on council tax payers
- The developer, Trevor Osborne Group, set up Oxford Castle Ltd who were given a 200-year lease by the Council, subject to restoration and new build works
- The Oxford Preservation Trust obtained a match-funding grant for restoration works from the Heritage Lottery Fund. This resulted in a partnership between the landowners (the Council), the developer (Oxford Castle Ltd) and the Oxford Preservation Trust
- Grant funding was also obtained from SEEDA, English Heritage and Trust for Oxfordshire's Environment
- Part of the site was leased back to the Council who in turn leased it to the Oxford Preservation Trust to run the visitor attraction, Learning Centre, and the public space and maintain the quality of these components
- The Trust's involvement in managing these aspects ensured that high quality would be maintained



Source: The Prince's Regeneration Trust, PwC Analysis

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### Oxfordshire County Council's objectives were achieved and the regeneration resulted in numerous benefits









Sustainable commercial use through long-term leases



### Historic Royal Palaces is an example of the successful creation of a quasi state owned charity that is financially independent

#### **Secretary of State**



Department for Digital, Culture Media & Sport



**HM** Government

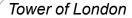
- Responsible for managing the unoccupied Royal Palaces (owned by The Queen and the Northern Ireland Government), but it outsources it to the charity
- Together with The Queen, responsible for appointing the charity's Board of Trustees

#### Royal charter body with charitable status



- **Contracted to manage** the royal assets
- Est. in 1989 as an executive agency and changed its status in 1998 to a charity
- Financially independent
- Revenue streams include admission and retail revenues, events, sponsorships and donations, membership fees etc.

#### **Assets**







Banqueting House





Kew Palace







Source: Publicly available sources, Historic Royal Palaces annual report, The National Archives

# Governments have created independent funds and lotteries to stimulate innovation and promote entrepreneurship

#### **Examples of Government Funds**

Industry,	Tourism and	l Investment
Sect	or Support	(SEED)

#### **Total Value: Unspecified**

- The Government of Northwest
   Territories, Canada set up a fund
   available for local businesses
   across 4 sectors (incl. tourism) in
   order to provide incentives for
   capital expansion
- The money is used to offset loan interest associated with new capital purchases for the expansion of local enterprises
- Successful application requirements include a 20-30% equity threshold depending on region, proof that the business is within the approved sectors, full/approved loan description and contract etc.

### The Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF)

### Total Value: ~£300m (depending on National Lottery Income)

- The HLF is a non-departmental public body which provides grants to not-forprofit organisations in order to support heritage projects in the UK
   There are multiple programmes
- There are multiple programmes organisations can apply for and awarded funding varies between £3000 and £5m
- Examples of high profile heritage grant recipients include: Stonehenge visitor centre (£10m), refurbishment of Kelvingrove Art Gallery and Museum (£13m) and restoration of St George's Market in Belfast (£2m)
- The HLF estimates that every £1m of funding awarded leads to an increase in tourism revenues of £4.2m over 10 years

#### **Start-Up Nation**

#### Total Value: ~€372m

- The Romanian Government together with the European Union launched an annual funding programme for newly established businesses that meet certain criteria (such as creating at least 2 jobs with indeterminate length contracts) in order to stimulate the economy and encourage entrepreneurship
- The awards are non-refundable grants worth up to €44,000 and cover the full investment in the projects
- In 2017 over 9,000 startups have been financed and the initiative is expected to create c.20,000 jobs each year

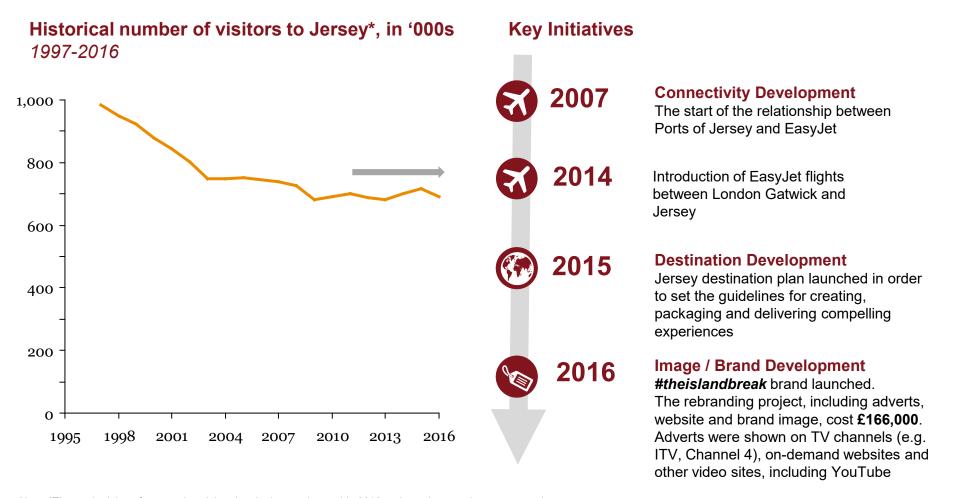
Source: Government of Northwest Territories, HLF, Publicly available sources

### **Appendix**

### Benchmarks and case studies

### Jersey

# Jersey has been successful in stabilising its declining tourist figures through several initiatives



Note: \*The methodology for capturing visitor data in Jersey changed in 2016 and may have an impact on trend Source: Visit Jersey Destination Plan, Visit Jersey Business Plan, Visit Jersey Annual Report 2016, Government of Jersey, Jersey Evening Post

# Jersey has a similar tourism product offering to Guernsey, although the events and entertainment offering is more developed

Illustrative



Sun and Sand



#### **Examples of offering in Jersey**

12 major beaches and other smaller bays

e.g. St. Aubin, Portelet Bay, Beauport Bay, St. Brelade's Bay

#### Assessment of offering in comparison to Guernsey

- **Similar** proposition to Guernsey, with several beaches offering ancillary facilities such as F&B and designated free parking
- Extensive marketing around the water sport/beach activity offering



Culture/ Heritage



- · Elizabeth Castle
- Hamptonne
- Le Moulin de Quetivel
- · Mont Orgueil etc.

 Similar offering to Guernsey in terms of types of attractions; however, some heritage sites are better activated and maintained (e.g. few assets used as accommodation, castles well maintained)





- Jersey War Tunnels
- Bunkers
- · Towers and Forts

- Several forts and towers converted into accommodation
- The tunnels host a range of exhibitions and activities (e.g.Escape Room)



**Events** 



- Sport events (e.g. Triathlon)
- Flower events
- Heritage Festival
- Tennerfest

- Offering similar to Guernsey, apart from the Jersey Triathlon
- Regular family-oriented small events (e.g. Discovery Days, Living History)





- Jersey Zoo
- Tamba Gaming Arcade
- · aMaizin! Adventure Park
- Adventure Centre

Wider entertainment offering, mainly catering for families

Note: Assessment is not exhaustive

Source: Publicly available sources, Visit Jersey, BBC

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# Visit Jersey launched a Destination marketing plan aimed at increasing the number of visitors by 2.2% p.a.

#### Visit Jersey's Mission, Ambition and Priorities

#### Mission

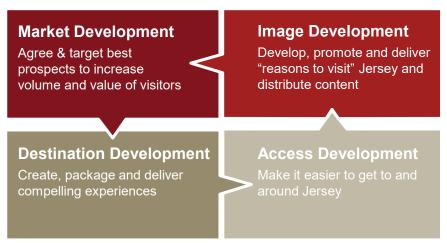
 To promote tourism to and within Jersey in an innovative, economic and efficient way thus delivering on our vision of a vibrant sustainable tourism industry

#### **Ambition**

• To welcome 1 million visitors spending £500 million by 2030

#### **Priorities**

- Inspire visitors from overseas to visit and explore Jersey
- · Maximise public investment through partner engagement
- Advise government and the industry on tourism issues, particularly those affecting our competitiveness and productivity



#### **Selected Visit Jersey Performance Indicators/Targets**

	2015 (Actual)	2020 (Target)
Total visitors (CAGR)	718,000	800,000 (+2.2% pa)
Visitor spend (nominal)	£243m	£310m
Average spend per visitor	£338	£388
Staying leisure visitors	347,000	389,000
First time holiday visitors	48%	50%
Occupancy	90%	89%
NPS	67%*	69% (2 pp pa)

Note: Actual NPS data is for 2016

Source: Jersey 2017 Business Plan, Jersey Destination Plan, PwC Analysis

# Visit Jersey has a marketing budget for 2017 of c.£5m, and objectives include collaboration with industry partners

#### 2017 Marketing Budget for Visit Jersey

Total Grant	<b>£5,100,000</b> (c. £7.4 per visitor)*		
Total Staff Costs	£995,000		
Research & Intelligence	£360,000		
Product	£220,000		
Marketing	£2,360,000		
Trade Development incl. co- operatives	£550,000		
Tourist Information Centre	£250,000		
Events Jersey	£200,000		
Total Premises Costs	£55,000		
Total Administrative Expenses	£110,000		

#### **Visit Jersey 2017 Objectives**

- 1. Continue to roll out #theislandbreak Jersey brand
- 2. Promote Jersey as an year-round holiday destination
- 3. Work with **industry partners, government and their agencies**, to develop the Jersey product, increase productivity and attract incremental growth in visitor numbers and spend
- 4. Provide **leadership** for business visits and events-led tourism
- 5. Ensure the successful Introduction of a **new What's On guide and Map**
- 6. Raise the profile of tourism; provide insights and leadership for the industry on policy matters
- 7. Champion the Economic Impact Study
- 8. Support businesses to **raise their productivity** and improve performance

Note: \* Estimate based on 2016 visitor numbers

Source: Jersey 2017 Business Plan, Jersey Destination Plan, PwC Analysis

### Harbour redevelopment

### Ports have historically been industrial areas, but many have been successfully developed into key residential and tourist destinations

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	Belfast Harbour Belfast, N. Ireland	Gunwharf Quays Portsmouth, UK	Chatham Dockyard Kent, UK	Salford Quays Manchester, UK	Conenhagen	<b>Ibiza Port</b> <i>Ibiza, Spain</i>
Overview	Successful regeneration around Titanic shipyard	Regenerated ex-naval base with strong community impact	Successful harbour front with adjacent ongoing redevelopment	Public-private funded regeneration of Manchester Docks	17 <sup>th</sup> century canal and long-time tourist hotspot	Bustling island port city in Mediterranean
Key Attraction	Titanic shipyard	Spinnaker Tower (observation tower)	Chatham Historic Dockyard	Imperial War Museum	Historic townhouses and ships	Nightlife
Events	Variety of events including sport events and exhibitions	Hosts international sailing events	Upcoming exhibition and event space (EventCity)	Lowry Centre	Open-air events (market-style)	Events hosted in the numerous high profile nightclubs
Lodging	Premier Inn, Marriott (upcoming), Boutique Hotels	Holiday Inn Express, Boutique Hotels	Travelodge, Boutique Hotels	Marriott, Travelodge, Holiday Inn, Ibis, Premier Inn, Copthorne	Best Western, Boutique Hotels	Hilton, Playasol, THB, Boutique Hotels, Private Villas
Other Components	Retail, Leisure, F&B, Heritage, Commercial, Residential	Retail, Leisure, F&B, Heritage, Commercial, Residential	Retail, F&B, Heritage, Commercial, Residential	Retail, Leisure, F&B, Heritage, Commercial, Residential	Retail, Leisure, F&B, Heritage	Retail, Leisure, F&B, Heritage
Key Success Factors	<ul> <li>£2bn of Gross Development Value (1992-2011)</li> <li>c.150,000 cruise visitors per year</li> <li>15,000 office jobs in City Quays upon completion (estimated)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>£27m rent revenue and £200m+ valuation for Gunwharf Quays shopping complex in 2017</li> <li>5m visitors to shopping complex during first year of opening (2001)</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>3,500 new jobs expected upon completion in 2023</li> <li>Aims to create 900m of new waterfront, 400,000 sqft of commercial space, 125,000 sqft of retail and leisure</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Unemployment fell from 8.7% to 4.5% between 1996 and 2006</li> <li>718 businesses employing c.21,600 people in 2017</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Aesthetically attractive</li> <li>Popular appeal to residents and visitors of Copenhagen</li> </ul>	Attracts top-end entertainment and music industry icons, with a unique entertainment proposition
Investment	£500m – £1bn	c.£500m	c.£650m - £1bn	c.£900m - £1bn	N/A	N/A

Source: Public Information, PwC Analysis

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## Successful harbour redevelopment projects are well-planned and well-funded mixed-use developments

### Mix-use developments

 Successful harbour / waterfront developments tend to have multiple components in close proximity to each other, such as leisure attractions, hotels, retail, F&B and cultural attractions

#### **Economic and Social Balance**

- Large scale redevelopment projects need to be well planned in order to meet the needs of the resident community as well as the tourist segment
- The successful development is both economic and socially balanced

### **Government support and policy**

 Large scale redevelopment projects tend to have government support through funding and /or favourable policies



### Residential Component

 Residential components ensure the development is activated all year round, and tend to enhance its the commercial viability (e.g. upfront cashflow from the off-plan sales)

#### **Coherent Master Plan**

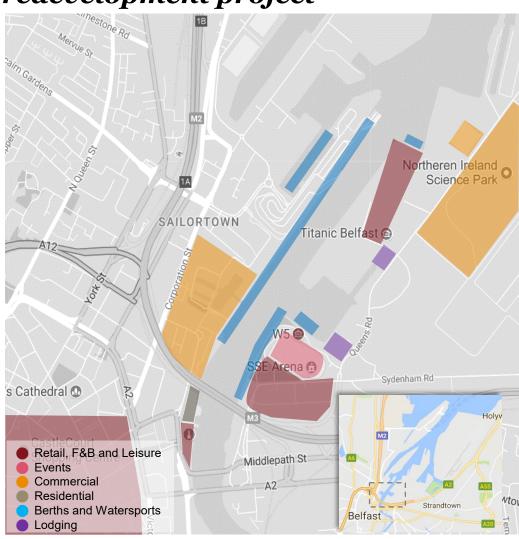
- Successful harbour projects tend to be phased and based on a long term development plan which supports regeneration
- Phased developments progressively activate and expand the area

### Public-private Partnership (PPP)

 The majority of successful harbour redevelopment projects have been funded through a PPP framework which is based on risk-cost-andreward-sharing

Source: Public Information, PwC Analysis

## The Belfast Harbour in Northern Ireland is an ongoing harbour redevelopment project



### Overview

Belfast Harbour is a Trust Port operating commercially with strong public interests. It has three main real estate projects: 1) City Quays mixed-use project, 2) Titanic Quarter mixed-use project including a visitor centre, 3) Sydenham Business Park

#### Investment

- £250m City Quays development scheme (phased over 2014-2020)
- £97m Titanic Centre visitor attraction, part-funded by Belfast Harbour profits (Complete)
- £11m HMS Caroline restoration, awarded by Heritage Lottery Fund (Complete)
- £73m invested in Northern Ireland Science Park as at 2012

### **Key Success Factors**

- Belfast Harbour land development transactions have delivered more than £2bn of Gross Development Value over 1992-2011 across 10m square feet of built space
- Titanic Belfast attracted more than 800,000 visitors to the area in its first year in 2012
- 150,000 cruise ship visitors per year
- 700 tenants employing over 23,000 people in 2017
- City Quays is expected to support 15,000 jobs upon completion in 2020, and 2,000 construction related jobs during development

Source: Public Information, Belfast Harbour Corporate Plans, Titanic Quarter, PwC Analysis

## The harbour area has an enhanced offering including events, retail and leisure, museums and hotels



- Titanic Exhibition centre offers event organisers 5,000 sq m of flexible purpose-built space
- SSE Arena has become a premier entertainment in Northern Ireland and has a packed calendar (11,000 capacity)





- Increasingly popular with cruise liners (150k cruise visitors in 2016, 25% yoy growth)
- · Odyssey Cinemas and Bowl, W5 Science and Discovery museum
- Titanic Quarter features visitor tours by tram, Segway, boat, and foot
- · Large Castle Court shopping centre, numerous restaurants, bars and eateries
- Watersports include Cable and Wake Wakeboarding





- 70% of all Northern Ireland's sea trade passes through port
- Regenerated harbour estate has over 700 tenants employing 23,000 people
- · Home to Northern Ireland Science Park; wider estate houses Bombardier, Harland & Wolff
- City Quays 1 and 2 increased Grade A office space by 200 sq.m (600 sq.m by 2020), let by professional services like Baker and McKenzie, and ICT firms





- Titanic Belfast: Museum with Interactive galleries explaining story of the Titanic
- · SS Nomadic: Last remaining White Star Line vessel
- · HMS Caroline: WWI survivor ship from the Battle of Jutland
- Thompson Dry Dock: Scheduled Historic Monument completely unchanged since 1911





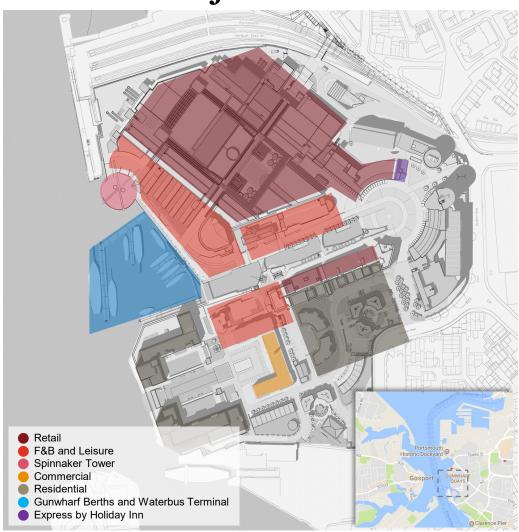
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- 4\* Titanic Hotel (119 rooms): Boutique luxury hotel converted from B+ listed 1880s shipbuilding office
- 4\* AC Hotel (188 rooms) by Marriott Belfast will open in early 2018
- 3\* Premier Inn



Source: Public Information, Belfast Harbour Corporate Plans, Titanic Quarter, PwC Analysis

## Gunwharf Quays in Portsmouth is a mixed-use development, attractive both for locals and visitors



#### **Overview**

Gunwharf Quays, formerly HMS Vernon, was a naval ordnance yard from the late 17<sup>th</sup> century until 1995. Today, it is a developed retail and residential space in a conservation area

Berkeley Group and Land Securities developed 13.3 hectares of land in a £200m joint venture. The main retail and leisure area opened in 2001

#### Investment

- £200m joint project for 13.3ha development including Gunwharf Quays shopping centre
- £35m for Spinnaker Tower (of which £11m was public funding)

### **Key Success Factors**

- £200m+ valuation of Gunwharf Quays shopping centre (top-10 asset by value in Landsec portfolio)
- £27m+ annualised net rent from Gunwharf Quays shopping centre
- Over 5m visitors to Gunwharf Quays shopping centre in first year (2001)
- Activated the area around harbour, e.g. street markets, festivals and performances scheduled all year round

Source: Public Information, National Archives, Gunwharf Quays, Berkeley Group Annual Reports, Land Securities Annual Reports, PwC Analysis

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# The events held and the retail and leisure proposition make the harbour appealing to visitors



- Gunwharf Quays Marina holds the Yacht Harbour Association's "4 Gold Anchors" award, and hosts national and international sailing events
- Family boat hires with electric miniature ships; high-speed RIB powerboat trips out around the Solent Forts or across to the Isle-of-Wight
- Public spaces hold up to 50 events a year





- 14-screen Vue cinema, 26-lane Bowlplex Bowling Alley, Aspex art gallery, Grosvenor casino with bar and restaurant, a Holiday Inn Express and a Tiger Tiger nightclub
- 95 designer boutique outlet shops, 37 bars and restaurants, and independent retailers
- · Niche retail offer in factory outlet stores rather than traditional high street stores
- · Spinnaker observation tower with events and abseiling activities





- 27,000 ft of new office space
- Total jobs supported on-site and off-site over 2,500 (1,650 in retail and 900 indirect)





- HMS Nelson and figurehead from the original HMS Vernon
- Millennium Walkway along water edge crosses key cultural points
- Historical buildings: Ordnance Yard administration block, Vulcan Building, Former gatehouse and perimeter wall, Former Royal Marine Infirmary



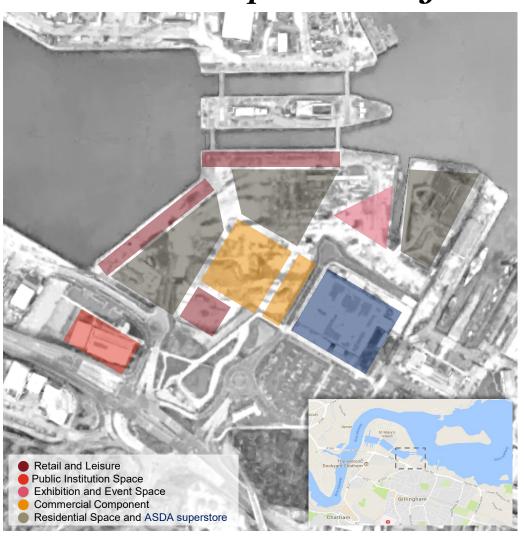


- 3\* Holiday Inn Express (130 rooms)
- The Ship Leopard Hotel (Boutique hotel in Grade II listed Georgian building)
- · Boutique hotels like Royal Maritime Club, Keppels Head and Lady Hamilton



Source: Public Information, National Archives, Gunwharf Quays, Berkeley Group Annual Reports, Land Securities Annual Reports, PwC Analysis

# Chatham Dockyard in Kent has a successful mix-use habour front site which will be complemented by additional planned redevelopments



#### **Overview**

Chatham Dockyard was a Royal Navy Dockyard until 1984. Today, there is a comprehensive mixed-use development around the area offering retail, leisure, heritage, and a marina

In 2006, Peel Group (private real estate group) acquired a 75ha site in an adjacent site. This £650m mixed-use project, Chatham Waters, commenced in 2014 and aims to regenerate the area over a period up to 2023

#### Investment

• £650m private sector investment by The Peel Group, partly forward funded with Legal & General, a British multinational financial services company

### **Key Success Factors (Expected)**

- Expected to create 3,500 new job opportunities upon completion in 2023
- The masterplan includes 950 dwellings, 400,000 sqft of commercial space, 125,000 sqft of waterfront retail and leisure space by 2023

Source: Public Information, Chatham Waters, Peel Group, PwC Analysis

# The current facilities create an appealing proposition, which will be further enhanced by a wider commercial offering



 Upcoming new exhibition and event space (EventCity); first EventCity in Manchester had a very successful first year holding consumer shows, trade fairs, and entertainment events including Manchester X Factor Auditions





- Dockside Outlet Centre offers over 40 discount retailers, M&S Outlet Store
- Flipout Trampoline Park which also hosts school holiday events for children
- · Odeon Cinema with 9 screens
- · Copper Rivet Distillery offers both opportunities for shopping and visiting
- Chatham Maritime Marina is a large dedicated boatyard for yachts





- Upcoming 7 office buildings with 400,000 sq ft over 3 to 7 floors
- · Flexible-use including specialised educational facilities or medical related uses
- · Landscaped environment, views across central boulevard and over the River Medway
- Buildings can be designed to suit an occupier or delivered in 'shell and core' condition





- Chatham Historic Dockyard showcases how maritime ships were designed and built; offers guided tours, live demonstrations, displays and exhibits
- · Dickens World attraction based around life and work of Charles Dickens





- 3\* Travelodge (90 rooms)
- 3\* Premier Inn (80 rooms)
- Boutique hotels like Officer's Hill, King George V, King Charles

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Source: Public Information, Chatham Waters, Peel Group, PwC Analysis

## Culture and Heritage

# Most successful global heritage destinations are well-supported by tourism facilities such as food & beverage, retail and events

	Castle Cornet	Alnwick Castle	Windsor Castle	Göreme Open Air Museum	Plimoth Plantation
Known For	Role in 1338 French Invasion, English Civil War	Featured as Hogwarts in Harry Potter films	World's oldest and longest occupied castle	Complex of ancient cave churches	Recreation of English Colonists in America
Annual Visitors	65,000	250,000	1,356,000	950,000	500,000
Entrance Fee	Adults £10.50 Concession £3	Adults £26.10 Concession £22.20	Adults £19.20 Concession £17.50	£7	£20
On-Site Facilities and activities	<ul> <li>Limited F&amp;B and retail offering</li> <li>Some organised events including weddings, but no regular events</li> </ul>	Good F&B, retail and Events offering     Wide range of family-friendly activities and a regular schedule of events     Extensive venue hire opportunities with bespoke catering, especially for weddings	<ul> <li>Extensive retail         offering and good F&amp;B</li> <li>Family activities and         events every         Saturday and in         school holidays</li> <li>Self-guided audio tour         and children's audio         tour</li> <li>A variety of interactive         experiences</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Heritage cave hotels</li> <li>Exploratory</li> <li>experience</li> <li>Private tours</li> </ul>	Permanent exhibits enhanced with special events, public programs and workshops Engaging and experiential outdoor and indoor learning environment

Successful heritage sites benchmarked offer more extensive F&B, retail and organised experiences compared to Castle Cornet Such features encourage longer dwell time by tourists and turn a heritage site into a destination, rather than a single attraction

Source: Market Representatives, Government Statistics Centres, VisitBritain, PwC Analysis

## Case Studies (1/2)

### Case Study: Alnwick Castle - Alnwick, UK



Annual Visitors	Visitor Growth	Distinctions	Entry Fee
250,000	N/A	Grade I Listed Building	£26.10

#### Overview

- · Seat of the Duke of Northumberland, built following the Norman conquest
- Renovated and remodeled a number of times, known for lavishly decorated state rooms
- Public interest spiked after it was featured as Hogwarts in the Harry Potter films
- Attraction is adjacent to an elaborate garden with one of the largest treehouses in the world

#### **Visitor Experience**

- Wide range of immersive and family-friendly activities (e.g. dressing up in medieval costumes, traditional games in square, Harry Pottery style quests)
- Regular schedule of events (eg. broomstick training, after dark tours, bank holiday events, interactive workshops)
- Extensive venue hire opportunities with bespoke catering, especially for weddings

#### **Onsite Facilities**

#### Food & Beverage





**Hotels** 

Not available on-site

# Retail

Gift shop on premises

## Events

Immersive and interactive events

### Case Study: Windsor Castle - Windsor, UK



Annual Visitors	Visitor Growth	Distinctions	Entry Fee
1,356,000	6%	National Heritage List for England	£19.20

#### Overview

- Oldest and largest occupied castle in the world
- · Royal residence at Windsor in Berkshire
- Notable for being steeped in royal history and antique furnishings
- State Apartments pay homage to the differing tastes of the royal occupants from lavish furnishings and treasures from the Royal Collection

#### Visitor Experience

- Family activities and events every Saturday and in school holidays
- Self-guided audio tour that lasts around 2 hours (free for pass holders)
- Family audio tour is available for children in English
- Other interactive highlights include the Changing of the Guards, Queen Mary's dollhouse with miniature 1:12 scale

#### **Onsite Facilities**

#### Food & Beverage



Selection of restaurants

## Hotels

Not available on-site

## Retail

Gift shop on

premises

Events

Family activities and events

Source: Market Representatives, ALVA, Royal Borough of Windsor and Maidenhead, Royal Collection Trust, PwC Analysis

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## Case Studies (2/2)

### Case Study: Goreme Open Air Museum -Goreme, Turkey



Annual Visitors	Visitor Growth	Distinctions	Entry Fee
950,000	10%	UNESCO	£7

#### Overview

- · Located in the historic region of Cappadocia in the province of Nevsehir, Turkey
- Resembles a vast monastic complex composed of scores of refectory monasteries
- Monasteries are side-by-side, each with its own church
- Most of the churches in Goreme Open Air Museum belong to the 10th, 11th and 12th centuries.

#### **Visitor Experience**

- Novelty value of such a unique proposition makes this attraction naturally engaging
- Large collection of churches with distinct characteristics makes touring the complex an exploratory experience
- The walls of each church are decorated by highly visual and intricate motifs which differ by church
- · Private tours available onsite

#### **Onsite Facilities**

Food & Beverage



Café on premises

**Hotels** 



Heritage cave hotels and regular hotels off-site

Retail



Gift shop on premises

**Events** 

None

### Case Study: Plimoth Plantation – Plymouth, Massachusetts USA



Annual Visitors	Visitor Growth	Distinctions	Entry Fee
500,000	N/A	None	£20

#### Overview

- Living history museum in Plimoth, Massachusetts, USA
- Recreates the original settlement of Plymouth Colony with character actors playing 17th English Colonists offering a unique American cultural and historical immersion
- Prime attractions include the restored Mayflower II, the English Village and the Grist Mill
- Popular as an educational experience, hosting school field trips

#### **Visitor Experience**

- Engaging and experiential outdoor and indoor learning environment on its main campus and at the State Pier on Plymouth's waterfront
- · Permanent exhibits tell the complex and interwoven stories of two distinct cultures -**English and Native**
- Main exhibits are enhanced with several special events, public programs and workshops

#### **Onsite Facilities**

Food & Beverage



Café serving regional food

**Hotels** 



Not available on-site

Retail



Gift shop on premises



Educational workshops and programmes

Source: Market Representatives, Plimouth Plantation, PwC Analysis

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