## THE STATES OF DELIBERATION Of the ISLAND OF GUERNSEY

#### THE LONG-TERM CARE INSURANCE (GUERNSEY) (RATES) ORDINANCE, 2019

The States are asked to decide:-

Whether they are of the opinion to approve the draft Ordinance entitled "The Longterm Care Insurance (Guernsey) (Rates) Ordinance, 2019", and to direct that the same shall have effect as an Ordinance of the States.

This proposition has been submitted to Her Majesty's Procureur for advice on any legal or constitutional implications in accordance with Rule 4(1) of the Rules of Procedure of the States of Deliberation and their Committees.

#### **EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM**

This Ordinance amends rates of long-term care benefit and the weekly payment which a claimant must make, towards the cost of the claimant's care, under the Long-term Care Insurance (Guernsey) Law, 2002, with effect from 6th January, 2020. The benefits are increased by 1.9%.

# The Long-term Care Insurance (Guernsey) (Rates) Ordinance, 2019

THE STATES, in pursuance of their Resolution of the 16<sup>th</sup> October 2019<sup>a</sup>, and in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 5 and 31 of the Long-term Care Insurance (Guernsey) Law, 2002<sup>b</sup> and all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby order:-

#### Rates of benefit.

- 1. (1) The maximum weekly rates of care benefit shall be -
  - (a) for persons resident in a residential home -
    - (i) £463.89, or
    - (ii) where also receiving EMI care, £611.24, and
  - (b) for persons resident in a nursing home or the Guernsey Cheshire Home, £866.11.
  - (2) The maximum weekly rates of respite care benefit shall be -
    - (a) for persons receiving respite care in a residential home-
      - (i) £673.26 or

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Article VI of Billet d'État No. XX of 2019.

b Order in Council No. XXIII of 2002; amended by No. IV of 2014; Ordinance No. XXXIII of 2003; Ordinance No. XLII of 2007.

- (ii) where also receiving EMI care, £820.61, and
- (b) for persons receiving respite care in a nursing home or the Guernsey Cheshire Home, £1,075.48.

### Co-payment by way of contribution.

- **2.** The weekly co-payment which a claimant shall make by way of contribution towards or for the cost of that claimant's care -
  - (a) as a condition of the right to care benefit, and
  - (b) which shall be taken into account for the purposes of determining the rate of care benefit,

shall be £209.37.

#### Interpretation.

3. In this Ordinance, unless the context requires otherwise -

"EMI care" means care which, in the opinion of the Administrator, is necessary to meet the needs of a person who is assessed by the Panel as having the characteristics of an elderly and mentally infirm person, and

"nursing home" and "residential home" have the meanings given by section 18(1) of the Nursing Homes and Residential Homes (Guernsey) Law,

1976<sup>c</sup>.

#### Repeal.

 $\mbox{4.} \qquad \mbox{The Long-term Care Insurance (Guernsey) (Rates) Ordinance, $2018$^{\mbox{\bf d}}$ is $$ \mbox{repealed}. $$ 

#### Citation.

**5.** This Ordinance may be cited as the Long-term Care Insurance (Guernsey) (Rates) Ordinance, 2019.

#### Extent.

**6.** This Ordinance shall have effect in the Islands of Guernsey, Alderney, Herm and Jethou.

#### Commencement.

7. This Ordinance shall come into force on the 6<sup>th</sup> January, 2020.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>c</sup> Ordres en Conseil Vol. XXVI, p. 71; amended by Ordres en Conseil Vol. XXXI, p. 278; Order in Council No. VI of 2007; Ordinance No. XXXIII of 2003; and Ordinance No. IX of 2016.

d Ordinance No. XXXVIII of 2018.