

**THE STATES OF DELIBERATION**  
**of the**  
**ISLAND OF GUERNSEY**

**11<sup>th</sup> December, 2019**

**Proposition No. P.2019/132**

**States' Assembly & Constitution Committee**

**General Election 2020 – Second Policy Letter**

**AMENDMENT**

Proposed by: Deputy M M Lowe

Seconded by: Deputy V S Oliver

1. To insert immediately before option 2A in Proposition 2 the following option:-

"2A1. "2. To agree that the maximum sum a candidate in an election for the office of People's Deputy may expend in respect of such an election (subject to any assignment to a political party made pursuant to Proposition 3) shall be £2,300 (the candidate's "permitted electoral expenditure")."

OR, only if 2A1 shall have fallen,".

2. For Proposition 3 substitute the following Proposition:-

3A. "3. To agree that expenditure by a political party on promotion of the party and its policies in an election for the office of People's Deputy is only permissible by virtue of candidates affiliated to that party assigning a maximum of 50% of their permitted electoral expenditure to the party, and that such expenditure by a political party in any election may not exceed the permissible electoral expenditure for an individual candidate."

OR only if 3A shall have fallen,

3B. "3. To agree that expenditure by a political party on promotion of the party and its policies in an election for the office of People's Deputy is only permissible by virtue of candidates affiliated to that party assigning a maximum of 50% of their permitted electoral expenditure to the party, and that such expenditure by a political party in any election may not exceed in total twice

the permissible electoral expenditure for an individual candidate or £9,000, whichever is the lesser.”

#### Explanatory note

This amendment (by inserting option 2A1 in Proposition 2) limits a candidate's permitted electoral expenditure to £2,300 in preference to the options (in increments of £1,000) ranging from £3,000 to £9,000 (options 2A to 2G), that follow in Proposition 2. £2,300 is the level that applied for candidates in the last general election under the Elections Ordinance, 2015.

It also provides a choice for fixing the maximum permitted electoral expenditure for a political party at:-

- (a) the same level as that permitted for an individual candidate (option 3A – which adopts the same principle of candidate and party parity that SACC used for its original Proposition), or
- (b) twice the level permitted for an individual candidate or £9,000, whichever is the lesser (option 3B – the de Saumarez/Tooley amendment already agreed by the States).