

THE STATES OF DELIBERATION
of the
ISLAND OF GUERNSEY

30th March 2022

Proposition No. P.2022/24

Policy & Resources Committee

States of Deliberation's response to the Russian Federation's invasion of Ukraine

AMENDMENT

Proposed by: Deputy G A St Pier

Seconded by: Deputy P T R Ferbrache

To insert the following additional propositions:

- "2. To commend the generosity of the people of the Bailiwick in supporting the Bailiff's Fund and other charitable causes responding to the conflict.
3. To commend the decision of the Policy & Resources Committee, with the full support of the Overseas Aid & Development Commission, in donating £500,000 on behalf of the people of Guernsey from the contingency reserve, split equally between the British Red Cross and UK for UNHCR and noting that additional donations may be appropriate in due course.
4. To commend the actions taken by Policy & Resources Committee in the imposition of sanctions, divesting from Russian investments and the suspension of tax co-operation with the Russian Federation.
5. To note that in addition to the expression of support by the States of Guernsey in Proposition 1, as noted in paragraph 7.7, many members of the community wish to provide practical support to the people of Ukraine in any way they can, including, if possible, by providing sanctuary to those fleeing the conflict, having particular regard to the history of many of the Bailiwick's people seeking refuge in the United Kingdom in June 1940 ahead of the Occupation.
6. To commend the work to date of the Committees *for* Home Affairs, Education, Sport & Culture, Health & Social Care, Employment & Social Security, led and co-ordinated by the Policy & Resources Committee, with a view to developing coherent policy responses enabling the Ukrainian families of Guernsey residents to come to Guernsey, as well as exploring the viability of a broader 'Homes for

Ukraine' visa sponsor scheme and, given that as time is of the essence for those fleeing conflict, to direct the completion of this work as swiftly as is practicable.

7. Taking the opportunity of the work already being undertaken in developing policies and legislation in response to the Ukrainian conflict, to direct relevant committees to give consideration to whether such policies and legislation can be applied in a manner which is appropriate for Guernsey to others seeking refuge or asylum (particularly from past, present and future conflicts); and that the Policy & Resources Committee having led and co-ordinated this work, reports back to the States in due course."

Rule 4(1) Information

- a) The propositions contribute to the States' objectives and policy plans by supporting one of the four main priorities identified within Stage 1 of the Government Work Plan, "Managing the effects of Brexit and our international obligations", which includes the continuing development of Guernsey's international identity and meeting international standards, including in relation to the provision of sanctuary.
- b) In preparing the propositions, consultation has been undertaken with a number of States' Members.
- c) The propositions have been submitted to Her Majesty's Procureur for advice on any legal or constitutional implications.
- d) There are no additional financial implications to the States of carrying the propositions into effect.