

The Mandate of the Commerce and Employment Department

(a) To advise the States on matters relating to the creation of a dynamic and diversified economy through the promotion and development of commerce and industry that is sustainable and operates in accordance with the strategic, economic, social and environmental policies of the States.

The Commerce and Employment Department is responsible for:-

- i. Promoting the interests of all sectors of the economy including:
 - o Exporters of manufactured goods, non financial services and e-business;
 - o Financial services sector;
 - o Visitor economy;
 - o Construction industry;
 - o Retail industry;
 - o Horticultural industry
 - o Agricultural industry; and
 - o Sea fisheries industry.
 - ii. Creating an awareness and fostering the image of the Island as a centre of excellence for business, commerce and tourism;
 - iii. The promotion, provision and regulation of air and sea links to and from the Bailiwick including liaison with other jurisdictions;
 - iv. Helping to create a sustainable food and farming supply chain serving the market and the environment;
 - v. Safeguarding the living marine resources within the Bailiwick waters and managing, where appropriate, their exploitation in a sustainable manner;
 - vi. The strategic approach to, and the regulation of utilities;
 - vii. Promoting good employment practices and policies, good industrial relations and Health and Safety at work;
 - viii. Consumer advice and protection and trading standards;
 - ix. The States interest in the Training Agency, Enterprise Agency, Guernsey Finance and the Guernsey Film Commission or their successor bodies;
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- (b) To contribute to the achievement of strategic and corporate objectives, both departmentally and as part of the wider States organisation, by:

- i. Developing and implementing policies and legislation, as approved by the States for the provision of services in accordance with this mandate; and
 - ii. Actively supporting and participating in cross-departmental working as part of the Government Business Plan and ensuring that public resources are used to best advantage, through co-operative and flexible working practices.
- (c) To exercise the powers and duties conferred on it by extant legislation.
- (d) To exercise the powers and duties conferred on it by extant States Resolutions – including all those resolutions, or parts of resolutions, which relate to matters for the time being within the mandate of the Commerce and Employment Department and which conferred functions upon the former:
- Advisory and Finance Committee;
 - Agriculture and Countryside Board;
 - Board of Industry
 - Committee for Horticulture
 - Sea Fisheries Committee
 - Tourist Board
 - Transport Board.
- (e) To be accountable to the States for the management and safeguarding of public funds and other resources entrusted to the Department.