

**IN THE STATES OF THE ISLAND OF GUERNSEY
ON THE 27th DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2015**

**The States resolved as follows concerning Billet d'État No XXI
dated 20th October 2015**

STATES' REVIEW COMMITTEE

THE ORGANISATION OF STATES' AFFAIRS – THIRD POLICY LETTER

I.- After consideration of the Policy Letter dated 19th October, 2015, of the States Review Committee:-

1. To agree the main part of Appendix A to that Policy Letter, entitled 'Mandates of Committees of the States with effect from the 1st of May, 2016', in relation to the final wording of the mandates of the following committees of the States (serial a to serial n) and non-governmental bodies (serial o to serial r):
 - a) Policy & Resources Committee, but adding the following text in the mandate of the Policy & Resources Committee, Duties & Powers (c):
'9. Studying and reporting on Schemes for the application of certain General Synod measures.';
 - b) Committee *for* Economic Development;
 - c) Committee *for* Education, Sport & Culture;
 - d) Committee *for* Employment & Social Security; except that the words 'equality and' shall be added to the start of point 8 of the policy, advisory and general responsibilities of the Committee *for* Employment & Social Security, in order that point 8 reads in full: 8. equality and social inclusion, including in relation to disability;
 - e) Committee *for the* Environment & Infrastructure;
 - f) Committee *for* Health & Social Care;
 - g) Committee *for* Home Affairs;
 - h) Civil Contingencies Authority;
 - i) Development & Planning Authority;
 - j) Overseas Aid & Development Commission;
 - k) Scrutiny Management Committee, except to replace the first sentence under the heading 'Duties & Powers' (page 3204 of the Billet) with the following: "To lead and co-ordinate the scrutiny of committees of the States and those organisations which are in receipt of public funds, or which have been established by legislation, by reviewing and examining legislation, policies, services and the use of monies and other resources.";
 - l) States' Assembly & Constitution Committee;
 - m) States' Trading Supervisory Board;
 - n) Transport Licensing Authority;
 - o) Elizabeth College Board of Directors;
 - p) Guille-Allès Library Council;

- q) Ladies' College Board of Governors;
 - r) Priaulx Library Council;
- except that the constitution of the Ladies College Board of Governors (p. 3212 of the Billet) shall be
- A Chairman who shall be nominated by the Board of Governors and appointed by the States.
- Two governors who shall be appointed by the States.
- Two governors who need not be members of the States who shall be nominated by the Committee *for* Education, Sport & Culture.
- Two governors who need not be members of the States who shall be nominated by the Chairman and the four aforementioned governors for election by the States:
- Provided that at least one of the seven aforementioned governors shall be a member of the States.

2. To agree Annex One to the 'Mandates of Committees of the States with effect from the 1st of May, 2016' Appendix, in that Policy Letter, in relation to committees' general responsibilities.
3. To agree Annex Two to the 'Mandates of Committees of the States with effect from the 1st of May, 2016' Appendix , in that Policy Letter, in relation to the operational functions of the following committees of the States:
 - a) Policy & Resources Committee, but adding the following text in the Operational Functions after "Advice and support in relation to legislative functions"
 - o 'Studying and reporting on Schemes for the application of certain General Synod measures.';
 - b) Committee *for* Economic Development;
 - c) Committee *for* Education, Sport & Culture;
 - d) Committee *for* Employment & Social Security;
 - e) Committee *for the* Environment & Infrastructure;
 - f) Committee *for* Health & Social Care;
 - g) Committee *for* Home Affairs;
 - h) Civil Contingencies Authority;
 - i) Development & Planning Authority;
 - j) Overseas Aid & Development Commission;
 - k) Scrutiny Management Committee, but adding the following text in paragraph (c) of the Operational Functions after "advice and support in relation to legislative functions"
 - o 'Studying and reporting on Schemes for the application of certain General Synod measures.';
 - l) States' Assembly & Constitution Committee;
 - m) States' Trading Supervisory Board;
 - n) Transport Licensing Authority.

4. To agree that, as set out in paragraph 4.1.7 of that Policy Letter, the Policy & Resources Committee shall compile a comprehensive schedule of committees' operational functions and services which shall be inserted as a replacement Annex Two to the 'Mandates of Committees of the States with effect from the 1st of May, 2016' Appendix, by no later than the end of 2016.
5. To agree that, as set out in paragraph 4.5.11 of that Policy Letter, all relevant operational functions relating to transport licensing shall be transferred to the Transport Licensing Authority by no later than the end of 2016.
6. To agree that, as set out in section 6.8 of that Policy Letter, all Rule 18 (of the Constitution and Operation of States Departments and Committees) Special States' Committees as presently constituted shall be dissolved from the 1st May, 2016; and, also as set out in section 6.8 of that Policy Letter, to direct the Constitutional Investigation Committee, the Parochial Ecclesiastical Rates Review Committee and the Social Welfare Benefits Investigation Committee to report to the States of Deliberation by no later than their March, 2016 meeting, in each case with a proposal either to constitute the committee as a States' Investigation & Advisory Committee with effect from the 1st May, 2016 or, alternatively, not to constitute the committee as a States' Investigation & Advisory Committee provided that instead the States resolve which other committee is to assume any duties of the Special States' Committee which remain outstanding.
7. To agree that the Policy & Resources Committee shall establish the policy and resource planning process set out in section 5.2 of that Policy Letter.
8. To agree that, as set out in paragraph 5.5.2 of that Policy Letter, the Policy & Resources Committee shall become the sole decision-making States' body under The Compulsory Acquisition of Land (Guernsey) Law, 1949, as amended, and that the Law should be further amended accordingly.
9. To agree, as set out in paragraph 6.2.5 of that Policy Letter, that in order for a meeting of the States' Trading Supervisory Board to be quorate there must be present at the meeting at least one of the members of the Board who is a sitting member of the States of Deliberation.
10. To agree that, as set out in paragraph 5.2.4 of that Policy Letter, when the States' Assembly & Constitution Committee carries out a comprehensive review of the electoral system, as set out in Resolution 38 on Billet d'État XII of 2015, the Committee shall include in that review a study of whether it would be advantageous for the terms of office of People's Deputies to be for five, rather than four, years provided that under no circumstances shall there be any extension of terms until after the 2020 general election.

11. To agree that, as set out in paragraph 2.6.2 of that Policy Letter, the States' Review Committee shall be responsible for overseeing preparations for the implementation of the reorganisation of States' affairs until the Committee is dissolved at midnight on the 30th April, 2016.
12. To agree that, as set out in paragraph 5.3.4 of that Policy Letter, the Policy & Resources Committee and the Committee *for* Employment & Social Security shall review the case for maintaining and the case for reforming the arrangements in relation to which committee of the States should have political responsibility for the States' insurance funds and shall jointly report to the States by May, 2017 setting out their findings and any recommendations considered necessary.
13. To note that, as set out in paragraph 2.6.5 of that Policy Letter, if further matters arise relating to the reorganisation of the States which require the resolution of the States they will be submitted in good time to be settled at or before the meeting of the States of Deliberation in March, 2016.
14. To rescind, as set out in paragraph 2.6.4 of that Policy Letter, Resolution 5 on Article XVI of Billet d'État V of 2012.
15. To direct the preparation of such legislation, as set out in section 7 of that Policy Letter, as may be necessary to give effect to the above decisions.

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