

Council of Ministers

(64th Meeting)

3rd December 2025**Part A (Non-Exempt)**

All members were present, with the exception of Connétable R. Vibert of St. Peter, Minister for Children and Families, Deputy C.F. Labey of Grouville and St. Martin, Minister for International Development and Deputy I.J. Gorst of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter, Minister for External Relations, from whom apologies had been received.

Deputy L.J. Farnham of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter, Chief Minister (for items A1-A2 and B1 only)

Connétable A.N. Jehan of St. John, Minister for Infrastructure (for a time)

Deputy S.G. Luce of Grouville and St. Martin, Minister for the Environment

Deputy K.F. Morel of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity, Minister for Sustainable Economic Development

Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat of St. Helier North, Minister for Justice and Home Affairs

Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier Central, Minister for Education and Lifelong Learning

Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South, Minister for Housing

Deputy L.V. Feltham of St. Helier Central, Minister for Social Security

Deputy M.E. Millar of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity, Minister for Treasury and Resources (for part of item A2 only)

Deputy T.J.A. Binet of St. Saviour, Minister for Health and Social Services (for items A1-A2, B1 and part of item B2 only)

Deputy M.R. Ferey of St. Saviour, Assistant Minister for Children and Families (in lieu of the Minister)

In attendance -

Connétable M.K. Jackson of St. Brelade, Representative of the Comité des Connétables (for a time)

Deputy C.S. Alves of St. Helier Central, Assistant Chief Minister

Deputy B. Ward of St. Clement, Assistant Minister for Health and Social Services

Deputy A. Howell of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity, Assistant Minister for Health and Social Services

Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade, Assistant Minister for Sustainable Economic Development

M. Jowitt, K.C., H.M. Solicitor General

L.-M. Hart, Greffier of the States (for part of item A2 only)

Dr. A. McLaughlin, Chief Executive and Head of the Public Service, Government of Jersey

R. Bell, Treasurer of the States

N. Moylan, Director, International Tax, Treasury and Exchequer (for a time)

K. Whitehead, Group Director for Regulation, Infrastructure and Environment Department (for item B1 only)

L. Richardson, Associate Director, Financial Services, Cabinet Office (for a time)

P. Bradbury, Head of Ministerial Office

R. McAleer, Senior Regulation Standards Officer – Food Safety, Infrastructure and Environment Department (for item B1 only)  
O. Chaplin, Sector Lead – Retail and Visitor Economy, Cabinet Office (for item B2 only)  
A. Thorne, Business and Governance Officer, Cabinet Office  
T. Mourant, Private Secretary to the Chief Minister (for a time)  
B. Jehan, Private Secretary to the Minister for Sustainable Economic Development (for item B2 only)  
K.L. Slack, Senior Secretariat Officer, States Greffe

Note: The Minutes of this meeting comprise Parts A and B.

Declarations of interest.

A1. No declarations of interest were received from Ministers in connexion with any of the items discussed at the current meeting.

Proposed Budget (Government Plan) 2026-2029 (P.70/2025) – amendments.

A2. The Council, with reference to its Minute No. A2 of 2nd December 2025, received and noted a PowerPoint presentation in connexion with amendments to amendments to the proposed Budget (Government Plan) 2026-2029 (P.70/2025 referred) and gave further consideration to the financial context and impact of the same.

It was agreed to delegate final approval for any comments on any amendments to amendments to Deputies L.J. Farnham of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter and M.E. Millar of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity, Chief Minister and Minister for Treasury and Resources, together with the relevant Minister or Ministers, as applicable.

It was noted that the deadline for any comments to be submitted to the States Greffe was 12.00 p.m. on 4th December 2025. On the basis that the Chief Minister would be attending a meeting of the British-Irish Council, it was agreed that the final approval for any comments (that had not been approved by close of business on 3rd December 2025) should be delegated from him to the Minister for Treasury and Resources.

The Council noted the position and thanked officers for their work in connexion with the Budget.