

Council of Ministers

(52nd Meeting)

23rd September 2025

Part A (Non-Exempt)

All members were present, with the exception of Connétable A.N. Jehan of St. John, Minister for Infrastructure and Deputy S.G. Luce of Grouville and St. Martin, Minister for the Environment, from whom apologies had been received.

Deputy L.J. Farnham of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter, Chief Minister
(not present for part of items A2 and B1)

Connétable R. Vibert of St. Peter, Minister for Children and Families

Deputy C.F. Labey of Grouville and St. Martin, Minister for International Development

Deputy K.F. Morel of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity, Minister for Sustainable Economic Development (not present for part of items A2 and B1)

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 I.J. Gorst of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter, Minister for External Relations

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

Deputy T.J.A. Binet of St. Saviour, Minister for Health and Social Services
(not present for part of items A2 and B1)

In attendance -

Connétable M.K. Jackson of St. Brelade, Representative of the Comité des Connétables

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

Deputy M.R. Ferey of St. Saviour, 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 (not present for part of items A2 and B1)

M.H. Temple, K.C., H.M. Attorney General

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

L.-M. Hart, Greffier of the States

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

P. Wylie, Chief Officer, Cabinet Office

K. Pilley, Head of Place and Spatial Planning, Cabinet Office (for part of item B1 only)

N. Day, Head of Strategic Housing and Regeneration, Cabinet Office (for part of item B1 only)

P. Bradbury, Head of Ministerial Office
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 in connexion with any of the items discussed at the current meeting.

Forthcoming business.

A2. The Council discussed the following items of public business, which were scheduled to be considered at the meeting of the States Assembly on 30th September 2025 –

Draft Bank (Recovery and Resolution) (Jersey) Amendment Law 202- (P.42/2025)

It was noted that the Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel had presented comments on the proposition of the Minister for External Relations. Whilst broadly supportive, the Panel was of the view that the maximum amount of deposit that would be protected in the event of a bank collapsing, should be increased from £50,000; and

Statutory Pre-Sale Agreements for Standard Residential Property Transactions (P.61/2025)

It was noted that Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier South, Minister for Housing, had met with Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North, who had lodged the proposition. The Minister had subsequently lodged an amendment, which committed the next Government to undertaking a consultation which examined all stages of the property transaction process, which would be completed by June 2027.

Matters arising.

A3. It was agreed that the agenda item relating to the draft Comptroller and Auditor General (Jersey) (Amendment) Law 202- should be deferred to a future meeting of the Council.