

Council of Ministers

(41st Meeting)

8th April 2025

Part A (Non-Exempt)

All members were present, with the exception of Deputy C.F. Labey of Grouville and St. Martin, Minister for International Development, Deputy S.G. Luce of Grouville and St. Martin, Minister for the Environment, Deputy M.R. Le Hegarat of St. Helier North, Minister for Justice and Home Affairs and Deputy T.J.A. Binet of St. Saviour, Minister for Health and Social Services, 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 item B4)
 Connétable R. Vibert of St. Peter, Minister for Children and Families
 Connétable A.N. Jehan of St. John, Minister for Infrastructure
 Deputy K.F. Morel of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity, Minister for Sustainable Economic Development (for part of items A4 and B1 and items B2-B5 only)
 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 (for items B3-B5 only)
 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 a time)

In attendance -

Connétable M.K. Jackson of St. Brelade, Representative of the Comité des Connétables
 Deputy M.R. Ferey of St. Saviour, Assistant Chief Minister (not in attendance for part of item B2)
 Deputy M.R. Scott of St. Brelade, Assistant Minister for Sustainable Economic Development
 Deputy A. Howell of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity, Assistant Minister for Health and Social Services
 Deputy B. Ward of St. Clement, Assistant Minister for Health and Social Services
 M.H. Temple, K.C., H.M. Attorney General
 L.-M. Hart, Greffier of the States
 R. Bell, Treasurer of the States
 A. Scate, Chief Officer, Infrastructure and Environment Department (for item B3 only)
 T. Holvey, Chief Economic Advisor, Department for the Economy (for part of item B4 and item B5 only)
 T. Daniels, Director, Jersey Property Holdings, Infrastructure and Environment Department (for item B3 only)
 Dr. L. Magris, Director for Housing, Environment and Placemaking, Cabinet Office (for item B3 only)

A. Hacquoil, Group Director, Strategic Finance, Treasury and Exchequer (for item B4 only)
H. Layer, Head of Group Reporting, Treasury and Exchequer (for item B4 only)
N. Day, Head of Strategic Housing and Regeneration, Cabinet Office (for part of items A4 and B2 only)
J. Norris, Policy Principal, Cabinet Office (for part of items A4 and B2 only)
P. Bradbury, Head of Ministerial Office
B. Markwell-Sales, Business and Governance Office to the Council of Ministers
T. Maurant, Private Secretary to the Chief Minister
K.L. Slack, Senior Secretariat Officer, States Greffe

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

- Minutes. A1. The Minutes of the meetings of 11th and 25th March 2025 (Parts A and B), having previously been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed, subject to a minor amendment to the Part B Minutes of 25th March 2025.
- Matter arising. A2. In connexion with Minute No. B1 of the meeting of 11th March 2025, it was recalled that there could be costs associated with the adopted proposal of the Privileges and Procedures Committee that the next ordinary election should be held on Sunday 7th June 2026 (P.17/2025 referred).
- Mrs. L.-M. Hart, Greffier of the States, informed the Council that any costs would be met from within the budget of the States Greffe and would not, as a consequence, impact Government expenditure. It was noted that a growth bid had been submitted for inclusion in the 2026 budget in respect of the election.
- Declarations of interest. A3. No declarations of interest were received in connexion with any of the items discussed at the current meeting.
- Forthcoming business. A4. The Council discussed the following item of public business, which was scheduled to be considered at the meeting of the States Assembly on 22nd April 2025 –

Draft Single-use plastics etc. (Restrictions) (Jersey) Amendment No. 2 Law 202-(P.19/2025)

It was noted that this proposition of the Minister for Infrastructure would simply correct an error within the Single-use plastics etc. (Restrictions) (Jersey) Amendment Law 202-, which had been adopted by the States Assembly in December 2024, by replacing a reference to the Royal Court with the Magistrate's Court.