

COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

(54th Meeting)

23rd September 2010PART A

All members were present, with the exception of Senator F.E. Cohen, Minister for Planning and Environment, Senator A.J.H. Maclean, Minister for Economic Development and Deputy I.J. Gorst, Minister for Social Security, from whom apologies had been received.

Senator T.A. Le Sueur, Chief Minister
 Senator P.F.C. Ozouf, Minister for Treasury and Resources
 Senator B.I. Le Marquand, Minister for Home Affairs
 Connétable M.K. Jackson of St. Brelade, Minister for Transport and Technical Services
 Deputy A.E. Pryke, Minister for Health and Social Services
 Deputy J.G. Reed, Minister for Education, Sport and Culture
 Deputy S.S.P.A. Power, Minister for Housing

In attendance -

Connétable K.P. Vibert, Chairman, Comité des Connétables
 Deputy E.J. Noel, Assistant Minister for Treasury and Resources
 W.D. Ogley, Chief Executive, States of Jersey
 H. McGarel-Groves, Interim Treasurer of the States (for item B1)
 A. Scate, Chief Officer, Planning and Environment Department (for item A2)
 P. Bradbury, Director – Population Office (for item A2)
 M. Heald, Assistant Chief Executive (for item A2)
 Graeme Holt, Interim Director of Financial Performance (for item B1)
 J. Morris, Policy and Research Manager (for a time)
 T. Murphy, Research and Project Officer (for a time)
 M.N. de la Haye, Greffier of the States
 I. Clarkson, Clerk to the Council of Ministers

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

Minutes.

A1. The Minutes of the meeting held on 2nd September 2010, having been circulated previously, were taken as read and were confirmed.

States
 business.
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A2. The Council with reference to its Minute No. A1 of 15th July 2010, reviewed the list of public business scheduled for consideration by the States Assembly during the Second Session of 2010. Particular consideration was given to the following propositions.

Property and Infrastructure Regeneration: the States of Jersey Development Company Limited (P.73/2010)

The Council, having noted that the proposition had been re-listed for debate on 12th October, agreed that it should oppose any further proposals to defer the debate.

Jersey Financial Services Commission: Companies' Register (P.87/2010)

The Council noted that the Minister for Economic Development intended to comment on the proposition.

Financial and manpower statements in Propositions: revised procedures (P.92/2010)

The Council, having formed the view that Standing Order 21 should be maintained, delegated authority to the Minister for Treasury and Resources to approve and present a comment in the name of the Council opposing the proposition.

Recycling of waste materials: identification of suitable sites P.97/2010

The Council delegated authority to the Minister for Planning and Environment, in consultation with the Ministers for Treasury and Resources and for Transport and Technical Services, to approve a comment in the name of the Council opposing the proposition.

Jersey Law Commission: appointment of Commissioner (P.98/2010)

The Council endorsed the proposition.

Terrorist Asset-Freezing Bill: extension of a clause to Jersey (P.105/2010)

The Council endorsed the proposition.

Draft Drug Trafficking Offences (Amendment No. 3) (Jersey) Law 201- (P.106/2010)

The Council endorsed the proposition.

Draft Public Holidays and Bank Holidays (Jersey) Act 201- (P.107/2010)

The Council noted that the Chief Minister was considering whether an amendment to the draft Act might be necessary in order to address any future need to call for a public holiday in unforeseen circumstances.

Ratification of the Agreement for the exchange of information relating to tax matters between the States of Jersey and the Portuguese Republic (P.108/2010)

The Council endorsed the proposition.

Work and Residence Permits: establishment of working group (P.109/2010)

On the basis that the proposition effectively proposed duplication of work on migration policy, which the Migration Advisory Group had already progressed to an advanced stage and which was being actively reviewed by a sub-group of the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel, the Council endorsed the comment presented by the Chief Minister.

Draft Census (Jersey) Regulations 201- (P.110/2010)

The Council endorsed the proposition.

Esplanade Quarter: Planning Obligation Agreement – endorsement (P.111/2010)

The Council considered that the proposition was, to an extent, irrelevant insofar as the Esplanade Quarter site could not be developed until such time as private investors judged that economic conditions had improved sufficiently to make the project viable. It further expressed serious concern that the proposition as drafted might well require cessation of all development works in progression across the St. Helier Waterfront. On that basis the Council delegated to the Chief Minister the authority to approve a comment in the name of the Council opposing the

proposition.

Disabled Persons: Badges for Motor Vehicles – single or double amputees (P.112/2010)

The Council endorsed the proposition.

Draft Sea Fisheries (Trawling, Netting and Dredging) (Amendment No. 3) (Jersey) Regulations 201- (P.114/2010)

The Council endorsed the proposition,

Draft Community Provisions (Bovine Embryos) (Jersey) Regulations 201- (P.115/2010)

The Council noted that a briefing meeting for interested States Members was being organised for the week beginning 27th September 2010 at which the provisions of the draft Regulations would be explained.

Senator P.F.C. Ozouf was not present for this item other than for the decisions concerning P.87 and P.92/2010.