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COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

(77th Meeting)

14th June 2017

PART A (Non-exempt)

All members were present.

Senator I.J. Gorst, Chief Minister
 Senator L.J. Farnham, Minister for Economic Development, Tourism,
 Sport and Culture
 Deputy R.G. Bryans of St. Helier, Minister for Education
 Deputy S.G. Luce of St. Martin, Minister for the Environment
 Senator Sir P.M. Bailhache, Minister for External Relations
 Senator A.K.F. Green, M.B.E, Minister for Health and Social Services
 Deputy K.L. Moore of St. Peter, Minister for Home Affairs
 Deputy A.E. Pryke of Trinity, Minister for Housing
 Deputy E.J. Noel of St. Lawrence, Minister for Infrastructure
 Deputy S.J. Pinel of St. Clement, Minister for Social Security
 Senator A.J.H. Maclean, Minister for Treasury and Resources

In attendance -

Senator P.F. Routier, M.B.E., Assistant to the Chief Minister
 Connétable S.W. Pallett of St. Brelade, Assistant Minister for Economic
 Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture (for item B3)
 J.D. Richardson, Chief Executive, States of Jersey
 Dr. M. Egan, Greffier of the States
 R.J. MacRae, Q.C., H.M. Attorney General
 J. Rogers, Chief Officer, Department for Infrastructure (for item B1)
 E. Littlechild, Director of Operational Services, Department for
 Infrastructure (for item B1)
 J. Littlewood, Finance Officer, Department for Infrastructure (for item
 B1)
 D. Peedle, Economic Adviser, Chief Minister's Department (for item
 B1 - via video conference link)
 M. Bowron, Chief Officer, States of Jersey Police (for item B2)
 C. Donnelly, Executive Support Officer, Chief Minister's Department
 (for item B2)
 A. Sugden, Chief Officer, Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and
 Culture Department (for item B3)
 P. Bradbury, Director - Corporate Policy, Chief Minister's Department
 V. Page, Policy and Research Officer, Chief Minister's Department
 C. Keir, Assistant Director - Ministerial Support and Communications
 P. Monamy, Clerk to the Council of Ministers

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

States business
20.06.2017.
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A1. The Council, with reference to its Minute No. A2 of 31st May 2017, discussed with the Director – Corporate Policy, Chief Minister's Department the list of public business scheduled for consideration by the States Assembly on 20th June 2017 and commented specifically on the undermentioned items:

Immigration (Amendment) (Jersey) Order 2017: extension to Jersey by Order in Council (P.26/2017)

The Council noted that the effect of the draft Order in Council would be that the functions under the Immigration Acts, discharged in the United Kingdom by the Home Secretary, would be discharged in Jersey by the Minister for Home Affairs (instead of as hitherto by H.E. The Lieutenant Governor). The draft Order in Council would also bring up to date any pre-2005 references to 'the Committee', so that there would be consistent references throughout the Island's Immigration legislation to 'the Minister.' With regard to the re-extension of section 25(5) of the Immigration Act 1971 (the offence of assisting illegal entry), it was noted that this had been amended by the U.K. Borders Act 2007 so that the equivalent provision applied to things done whether inside or outside the United Kingdom irrespective of the nationality of the person who did them. The draft Order in Council would therefore bring Jersey's legislation in line with the U.K. in the latter regard. The Council accordingly supported the proposition.

Channel Islands Lottery: allocation of proceeds from 2016 (P.27/2017)

The Council supported the proposition.

Income Support Medical Appeal Tribunal: re-appointment of members (P.35/2017)

The Council supported the proposition.

Innovation Fund (R.3/2017) – In Committee debate (P.2/2017)

The Council noted that Report of the Comptroller and Auditor General was to be considered as part of the In Committee debate.

Jersey Innovation Fund: review of ministerial responsibility following the C&AG Report of January 2017 (R.45/2917) – In Committee debate (P.2/2017)

The Council noted that the Report by Jessica Simor, Q.C. was also to be considered as part of the In Committee debate, in the event that it were to proceed.