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COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

(87th Meeting)

4th October 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 (present for items A1, A2, B1 and B2)
 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 (present for items A1, A2, B1 and B2)
 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 J.M. Refault of St. Peter, Assistant Minister for Health and Social Services (for item B2)
 Deputy P. McLinton, Assistant Minister for Health and Social Services (for item B2)
 J.D. Richardson, Chief Executive, States of Jersey
 Dr. M. Egan, Greffier of the States
 R.J. MacRae, Q.C., H.M. Attorney General
 R. Bell, Treasurer of the States (for items B1-B4)
 C. Stephenson, Director HR Employment Relations and Organisational Development, Human Resources Department (for items B1 and B3)
 M. Littler, Senior Employment Relations Manager, Human Resources Department (for item B1)
 H. Gray, Manager – Reward, Workforce Planning and Performance, Human Resources Department (for item B1)
 A. Rogers, Director of Financial Planning and Performance, Treasury and Resources Department (for item B2)
 J. Rogers, Chief Officer, Department for Infrastructure (for item B2)
 J. Garbutt, Chief Officer, Health and Social Services Department (for item B2)
 R. Foster, Director of Estates, Jersey Property Holdings (for item B2)
 H. O’Shea, Managing Director, Health and Social Services Department (for item B2)
 B. Place, Project Director for Health Brief, Health and Social Services Department (for item B2)
 D. Drieu, Senior Organisational Development Manager, Human Resources Department (for item B3)

S. Peat, Director of Digital and Telecoms Policy, Chief Minister's Department (for item B5)

P. Ashley, Digital Policy Adviser, Chief Minister's Department (for item B5)

I. Webb, Director – Information Services, Chief Minister's Department (for item B5)

T. Walker, Chief Officer, Community and Constitutional Affairs Department (for item B6)

Advocate B. Lacey, of Lacey Advocates (for item B6)

A. Heaven, Director of Children's Policy, Community and Constitutional Affairs Department (for item B6)

L. Walsh, Acting Law Draftsman, Chief Minister's Department (for item B7)

P. Bradbury, Director - Corporate Policy, 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.

The Chief Minister, on behalf of the Council of Ministers, warmly welcomed to the meeting Senator P.M. Bailhache, following his recent illness.

Minutes.

A1. The Minutes of the meetings held on 14th June (Part B), 26th June (Part A and Part B) and 28th June 2017 (Part A and Part B), having been previously circulated, were taken as read and confirmed.

States business
10.10.2017.
1240/7/1(1)

A2 The Council, with reference to its Minute No. A3 of 20th September 2017, discussed with the Director – Corporate Policy, Chief Minister's Department the list of public business scheduled for consideration by the States Assembly on 10th October 2017 and commented specifically on the undermentioned items as indicated:

Draft Road Traffic (No. 63) (Jersey) Regulations 201- (P.67/2017)

The Council noted that the purpose of the draft Regulations was to amend and rectify a number of inconsistencies in the Road Traffic (Jersey) Law 1956 which had come to light since the enactment of the Road Traffic (No. 62) (Jersey) Regulations 2015. The Council supported the draft Regulations, although it was noted that the item had been deferred to a later date.

Draft Asian Infrastructure Investment Bank (Immunities and Privileges) (Jersey) Regulations 201- (P.68/2017)

The Council noted that the draft Regulations would confer legal capacity and grant immunities and privileges on the Asian Infrastructure Bank, including its officers, employees, experts and other persons engaged in missions for the Bank. The Council supported the draft Regulations, although it was noted that the item had been deferred to a later date.

Draft Taxation (Implementation) (International Tax Compliance) (Common Reporting Standard) (Amendment) (Jersey) Regulations 201- (P.69/2017)

The Council noted that the draft Regulations were required in order to implement recommendations arising from a review as to whether the principal Regulations were fully in accordance with the requirements of the International Common Reporting Standard on the automatic exchange of information (AEOI) carried out by the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) Global Forum Secretariat and AEOI Working Group. The Council supported the draft Regulations.

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States Employment Board: living wage 2017 (P.72/2017)

The Council noted the likelihood that this item would be moved to a later date.

Draft Air and Sea Ports (Incorporation) (Transfer No. 2) (Jersey) Regulations 201- (P.77/2017)

The Council noted the proposal to use enabling powers in the Air and Sea Ports (Incorporation) (Jersey) Law 2015 to facilitate the transfer of 7 employees from the Department for Infrastructure (DfI) to Ports and Jersey Limited. The Council supported the draft Regulations.

Jersey Electricity plc: referral of stand-by charges to the Channel Islands Competition and Regulatory Authorities (P.88/2017)

[See Minute B/ of this meeting].

Forthcoming
announcements.

A3. The Council, with reference to its Minute No. A1 of 26th July 2017, discussed with the Director – Corporate Policy, Chief Minister’s Department the undermentioned forthcoming announcements.

The Council noted the following -

- (a) Minimum Wage: it was expected that proposals for 2018 would be lodged ‘au Greffe’ in approximately 2 weeks’ time;
- (b) Budget 2018: it was noted that following its publication, comments had been made in various spheres regarding potential deleterious effects on the Island’s retail industry ; and
- (c) Data Protection: the Information Commissioner had given 6 months’ notice of her intention to resign.