Council of Ministers

(22nd Meeting)

(Business conducted via electronic mail)

30th January 2023

Part A (Non-Exempt)

All members were present, with the exception of Deputy K.L. Moore of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter, Chief Minister, Deputy I.J. Gorst of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter, Minister for Treasury and Resources, Deputy P.F.C. Ozouf of St. Saviour, Minister for External Relations and Financial Services, Deputy D.J. Warr of St. Helier South, Minister for Housing and Communities and Deputy H.M. Miles of St. Brelade, Minister for Home Affairs, from whom apologies had been received.

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 Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture

Deputy I. Gardiner of St. Helier North, Minister for Children and Education Deputy J. Renouf of St. Brelade, Minister for the Environment

Deputy M.E. Millar of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity, Minister for Social Security

Deputy T.J.A. Binet of St. Saviour, Minister for Infrastructure

Deputy K.M. Wilson of St. Clement, Minister for Health and Social Services

In attendance -

P. Bradbury, Head of Ministerial Office K.L. Slack, Clerk to the Council of Ministers

Note: The Minutes of this meeting comprise Part A only

Skills Development Fund (P.116/2022): Amendment. A1. The Council of Ministers, with reference to Minute No. A3 of its meeting of 24th January 2023, recalled that the Proposition, entitled 'Skills Development Fund' (P.116/2022), which had been lodged by Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North, sought the creation of a new Skills Development Fund, to invest in the training of Islanders to meet the skills gap and address the need for workers across the economy. It was proposed that the Fund should be administered by Skills Jersey. It also requested the Minister for Social Security to engage with stakeholders and provide the States Assembly with the funding requirements for the Fund no later than the end of 2023, with the Minister for Treasury and Resources requested to create the Fund by January 2024.

The Council further recalled that the Ministers for Children and Education and Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture, Deputies I. Gardiner of St. Helier North and K.F. Morel of St. John, St. Lawrence and Trinity, had intended to lodge Amendments to the Proposition, which Deputy Andrews had confirmed he was willing to accept.

It had subsequently been decided to combine the 2 Amendments into one to be

lodged 'au Greffe' in the name of the Council and Ministers signalled their support for the same and requested the Head of Ministerial Office to take the necessary steps to lodge the Amendment.