## Council of Ministers

(39th Meeting)

## 19th September 2023

## Part A (Non-Exempt)

All members were present, with the exception of Deputy P.F.C. Ozouf of St. Saviour, Minister for External Relations, from whom apologies had been received.

Deputy K.L. Moore of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter, Chief Minister

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 I.J. Gorst of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter, Minister for Treasury and Resources (for a time)

Deputy D.J. Warr of St. Helier South, Minister for Housing and Communities

Deputy H.M. Miles of St. Brelade, Minister for Home Affairs

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 -

Connétable M.K. Jackson of St. Brelade, Representative of the Comité des Connétables

Deputy A.F. Curtis of St. Clement, Assistant Chief Minister

Deputy L.K.F. Stephenson of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter, Assistant Chief Minister

Dr. A. McLaughlin, Interim Chief Executive and Head of the Public Service, Government of Jersey

R. Corrigan, Chief Officer, Economy Department (item No. B2 only

M. Jowitt K.C., H.M. Solicitor General, Law Officers' Department (via teams)

L.-M. Hart, Greffier of the States

R. Bell, Treasurer of the States

K. Pilley, Head of Place and Spatial Planning, Cabinet Office (item No. B1 only)

Dr. L. Magris, Group Director, Housing, Environment and Placemaking, Cabinet Office (item No. B1 only)

A. Hacquoil, Group Director, Strategic Finance, Treasury and Exchequer Department

P. Styles, Head of Group Reporting, Treasury and Exchequer Department

D. Danino-Forsythe, Director of Communications (via Teams)

P. Bradbury, Head of Ministerial Office

K.M. Larbalestier, Principal Secretariat Officer, Specialist Secretariat, States Greffe

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

Minutes.

A1. The Minutes of the meetings held on 6th, 20th and 27th June and 11th July 2023 (Parts A and B), having previously been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed.

On a related matter, the Chief Minister recalled that it had been agreed that an action log would be produced at the end of each set of Minutes and it was requested that this be implemented with immediate effect.

The Greffier of the States responded to a comment from the Chief Minister in connexion with certain stylistic elements of the Minutes, which were peculiar to the States Greffe.

Matters arising.

A2. The Council noted the following matters arising from the Minutes of the meetings held on 20th and 27th June 2023 –

20th June 2023 – it was noted that advice had been received from the Charities Commissioner in relation to conflicts of interest to the effect that no conflict of interest arose in respect of States Members who sat on governing bodies as private individuals;

27th June 2023 – it was recalled that it had been agreed to establish a new sub-group of the Population and Skills Ministerial Group which would focus specifically on recruitment and retention. It was agreed that the Ministers for Home Affairs, Health and Social Services, Children and Education and Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture should sit on the Ministerial Group. It was noted that an officer group had been established to support Ministers.

Declarations of Interest.

A3. A declaration of interest was noted from Deputy K.L. Moore of St. Mary, St. Ouen and St. Peter, Chief Minister in her capacity as the landlord of a property occupied by an individual associated with a company which had requested Government funding (Minute No. B2 of the meeting refers). It was agreed that this should not preclude the Chief Minister from participating in the discussion.

Matters for information.

A4. The following matter for information was noted –

that a range of electronic devices had been obtained for trial by Ministers in pursuit of continuing efforts to reduce printing costs and the amount of paper used. The Chief Minister congratulated members on their commitment to this endeavour. The Minister for International Development stated that any advancements which facilitated the use of Apple products would be most welcome.