



Tuesday 15 March 2022

## States Meeting Summary 15 March

### Public business

Today's States Meeting continued with debates on States Members' [amendments](#) to the draft [Bridging Island Plan](#).

#### 48<sup>th</sup> amendment – Developments over five storeys

The meeting resumed with the debate on Senator Sarah Ferguson 48<sup>th</sup> [amendment](#): that developments over five storeys in Town will only be supported in exceptional circumstances where the community benefit outweighs adverse impact, and such developments will not be supported outside of Town.

The States Assembly [voted](#) to REJECT Senator Ferguson's amendment to the draft Bridging Island Plan. 29 States Members voted against the amendment, 13 voted in favour.

#### 65<sup>th</sup> amendment – Developments over eight storeys

Senator Ian Gorst proposed the 65<sup>th</sup> [amendment](#): that developments over eight storeys in St. Helier will only be supported in appropriate circumstances, rather than not at all.

The States Assembly voted to APPROVE Senator Ian Gorst's amendment to the draft Bridging Island Plan.

#### 87<sup>th</sup> amendment – Ouaisné green backdrop zone and St. Brelade's Bay shoreline zone

The Minister for the Environment proposed the 87<sup>th</sup> [amendment](#), which involved extending the green backdrop zone at Ouaisné and changing policy on the shoreline zone of St. Brelade's Bay.

#### Amendment to the 87<sup>th</sup> amendment

The Connétable of St. Brelade proposed an [amendment](#) to the 87<sup>th</sup> amendment: to not support the redevelopment and extension of residential buildings and those unaccompanied by specific landscaping proposals within the shoreline zone of St. Brelade's Bay.

The States Assembly [voted](#) to APPROVE the Connétable of St. Brelade's amendment to the draft Bridging Island Plan. 29 Members voted in favour of the amendment, 13 voted against.

The States Assembly [voted](#) to APPROVE the Minister for the Environment's amendment to the draft Bridging Island Plan, as amended by the Connétable of St. Brelade. 33 Members voted in favour of the amendment, two voted against.

#### 58<sup>th</sup> amendment – Protection of St. Brelade's Bay developments

The 58<sup>th</sup> [amendment](#) – to extend Policy GD9 on protecting the skyline, views and vistas in relation to St. Brelade’s Bay, and further restrict developments on the shoreline zone – was withdrawn by the Connétable of St. Brelade.

## **Section 5: Historic Environment**

### **Amendment 89 – Historic environment policies**

The Minister of the Environment proposed the 89<sup>th</sup> [amendment](#), as [amended](#) by himself: to make several changes to polices on protecting listed buildings and places, and their settings; protection of historic windows and doors; conservation area designation; and protection or improvement of conservation areas. The Minister’s [amendment](#) to the 89<sup>th</sup> amendment requires evidence of public benefit where a historic building is going to be demolished, and in exceptional circumstances, mitigation of this through reconstruction of a historic asset on an alternative site.

### **Amendment to amendment 89**

The Deputy of St. Peter proposed an [amendment](#) to the 89<sup>th</sup> amendment: to ensure that the proposed replacement of historic windows with double glazing is accompanied with new frames.

The States Assembly [voted](#) to REJECT The Deputy of St. Peter’s amendment to the 89<sup>th</sup> amendment. 23 Members voted against the amendment, 16 voted in favour.

The States Assembly [voted](#) to APPROVE the Minister for the Environment’s 89<sup>th</sup> amendment, as amended by himself. 38 Members voted for the amendment as amended, 10 voted against.

### **74<sup>th</sup> amendment – Protection of listed buildings**

The 74<sup>th</sup> [amendment](#) – to protect listed buildings by specifying that proposals which do not preserve or enhance historic interest of the building will not be approved – was withdrawn by Deputy Russell Labey.

### **14<sup>th</sup> amendment – Double glazing of historic windows**

The 14<sup>th</sup> [amendment](#) – to replace historic windows with double glazing except where the glass is of historic significance, and support energy efficiency proposals where it does not harm historic buildings – was withdrawn by the Deputy of St. Peter.

## **Section 6: Economy**

### **45<sup>th</sup> amendment – Night-time economy in Les Quennevais**

The Connétable of St. Brelade proposed the 45<sup>th</sup> [amendment](#): to remove Les Quennevais as an area designated in the Bridging Island Plan for ‘night-time economy’.

The Minister for the Environment proposed an amendment to the 45<sup>th</sup> amendment: to remove the potential for late night-time economy (e.g., bars, night clubs, pubs) within the defined centre of Les Quennevais, but to allow for some daytime economy (e.g., cafes and restaurants; galleries, museums, and libraries; and entertainment venues).

The States Assembly adjourned midway through the debate on the Minister for the Environment’s amendment to the 45<sup>th</sup> amendment. This debate will resume at 9:30am tomorrow, Wednesday 16 March, and can be watched live [online](#).

**-ENDS-**

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