



Wednesday 16 March 2022

States Meeting Summary 16 March

Public business

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

Section 6: Economy

45th amendment – Night-time economy in Les Quennevais

The meeting resumed with the debate on the Minister for the Environment's [amendment](#) to the Connétable of St. Brelade's 45th [amendment](#). Yesterday, the Connétable proposed to remove Les Quennevais as an area designated in the Bridging Island Plan for night-time economy. The Minister's amendment proposed 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 [voted](#) to REJECT the Minister for the Environment's amendment to the Connétable of St. Brelade's 45th amendment. 19 States Members voted against, 19 in favour.

The Connétable of St. Brelade WITHDREW the 45th amendment to the Bridging Island Plan.

57th amendment – Tourist economy and public amenities

The Connétable of St. Brelade proposed the 57th [amendment](#), as [amended](#) by himself: to ensure that no more tourist economic land is lost on St. Brelade's Bay without being correctly marketed and to support designs for daytime and evening economy in St. Brelade's Bay with independent professional assessment.

The States Assembly [voted](#) to REJECT the Connétable of St. Brelade's 57th amendment to the Bridging Island Plan. 25 States Members voted against, nine voted in favour.

85th amendment – Visitor accommodation in St. Brelade's Bay

The Connétable of St. Brelade proposed the 85th [amendment](#), as [amended](#) by Senator Ferguson: to not support changes in use of visitor accommodation in St. Brelade's Bay unless there is a) no market demand for its continued use, including if refurbished or redeveloped, and b) it will not have any unacceptable adverse effect on the Bay as a tourist destination.

The States Assembly [voted](#) to REJECT the Connétable of St. Brelade's 85th amendment, as amended by Senator Ferguson. 27 Members voted against, 14 voted in favour.

19th amendment – St. Brelade's Bay Improvement Plan

Senator Pallett proposed the 19th [amendment](#): to specify the completion date of the 'Improvement Plan for St. Brelade's Bay', which aims to protect the balance between the natural landscape and built-up areas, as December 2023.

Senator Ferguson's [amendment](#) to the 19th amendment – to change this date to May 2022 – was WITHDRAWN.

The States Assembly voted to APPROVE Senator Pallett's 19th amendment to the Bridging Island Plan.

38th amendment – Employment land and warehouse space

Deputy Kirsten Morel proposed the 38th [amendment](#): to protect Bienvenue Farm and adjacent land (The Fencing Centre and The Hidden Garden Company) in St. Lawrence as an industrial state, adding that further development in this location should be for warehouses or similar.

The States Assembly [voted](#) to APPROVE Deputy Morel's 38th amendment to the Bridging Island Plan. 40 States Members voted in favour, two voted against.

28th amendment – Conservation or re-use of traditional farm buildings

Deputy Morel proposed the 28th [amendment](#): to protect the surrounding agricultural land of traditional farm buildings so that it can remain in agricultural use should any conversion of the farm buildings take place.

The States Assembly [voted](#) to APPROVE Deputy Morel's 28th amendment to the Bridging Island Plan. 41 Members voted in favour, one voted against.

61st amendment – Use of glasshouses for affordable housing

Senator Kristina Moore proposed the 61st [amendment](#): to remove the limit on building on derelict glasshouses close to existing settlements and utility services, allowing for 50% of land to be used for affordable housing and 50% for agricultural or community space.

The States Assembly voted to REJECT Senator Moore's 61st amendment to the Bridging Island Plan.

Section 7: Housing

90th amendment – Overall housing supply

The Minister for the Environment proposed [amendment](#) 90: to increase the supply of homes to 4,300 and affordable homes to 1,650 up until to the end of 2025, and to make provision for at least 600 affordable homes through re-zoning.

The States Assembly adjourned as the debate on the 90th amendment began and will resume at 9:30am tomorrow, Thursday 17 March. Watch live [online](#) tomorrow morning.

-ENDS-

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