Thursday 24 March 2022

# **States Meeting Summary 24 March**

#### **Public business**

Today's States Meeting continued with debates on States Members' <u>amendments</u> to the draft Bridging Island Plan.

#### **Section 9: Community Infrastructure**

# 47th amendment – Use of Warwick Farm as a St. Helier Country Park

Deputy Kirsten Morel proposed the 47th <u>amendment</u>: to remove the proposal to develop Warwick Farm into a Country Park in St. Helier from the Bridging Island Plan.

The States Assembly <u>voted</u> to REJECT Deputy Morel's 47<sup>th</sup> amendment to the Bridging Island Plan. 30 States Members voted against; 14 voted in favour.

#### 31st amendment – Use of Warwick Farm as a St. Helier Country Park

The Connétable of St. Helier proposed part b and part c of the 31<sup>st</sup> <u>amendment</u>: that Warwick Park is developed into Country Park and a project board is established so that the Park can be delivered during the Bridging Island Plan period.

The States Assembly <u>voted</u> to APPROVE both parts of the Connétable of St. Helier's 31<sup>st</sup> amendment to the Bridging Island Plan. 33 Members voted in favour of the amendment; nine voted against.

#### 33rd amendment - Sites to be safeguarded for open space

Connétable Andy Jehan proposed the 33<sup>rd</sup> <u>amendment</u>: to include Field J371, La Rue Gombrette, St. John, in the list of areas safeguarded for open space, so that it can be used for a memorial garden and a wooded area for the school and the public.

The States Assembly <u>voted</u> to APPROVE the Connétable of St. John's amendment to the Bridging Island Plan. 42 Members voted in favour of the amendment and two abstained.

#### 11th amendment - Sites designated as protected open space

The Connétable of St. Ouen proposed the 11th <u>amendment</u>: to remove the designation of Field 630 in St. Ouen as protected open space, so that it may be used to develop housing for elderly pensioners.

The States Assembly <u>voted</u> to REJECT the Connétable of St. Ouen's 11<sup>th</sup> amendment to the Bridging Island Plan. 28 Members voted against the amendment; 11 voted in favour.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> amendment - Play space in St. Helier

Deputy Inna Gardiner proposed the 3<sup>rd</sup> <u>amendment</u>: to ensure that play space in St. Helier is accessible within 500m rather than 1,000m, and that a specific play strategy for the Island, with a focus on St. Helier, is developed.

The States Assembly voted to APPROVE <u>parts a and b</u> (25 in favour; 13 against) and <u>parts c and d</u> (37 in favour) of Deputy Gardiner's 3<sup>rd</sup> amendment to the Bridging Island Plan.

## **Section 10: Travel and Transport**

#### 96th amendment - Changes to travel and transport policies

The Minister for the Environment proposed the 96th <u>amendment</u>: to make changes to some travel and transport policies and proposals related to disability inclusion, off-street parking and visitor parking.

The States Assembly unanimously <u>voted</u> to APPROVE the Minister for the Environment's 96<sup>th</sup> amendment to the Bridging Island Plan.

#### 42<sup>nd</sup> amendment - Off-street parking

The Connétable of St. Helier proposed part c of the 42<sup>nd</sup> <u>amendment</u>: that off-street parking in Town will be supported where new spaces provided are for the use of residents, shoppers and visitors.

The Connétable WITHDREW part c of the 42<sup>nd</sup> amendment to the Bridging Island Plan.

## **Section 12: Minerals Extraction and Solid Waste Disposal**

#### 97th amendment – Sand extraction from Simon Sand and Gravel Quarry

The Minister for the Environment proposed the 97<sup>th</sup> <u>amendment</u>: to allow for the continued extraction of sand from the existing mineral site of Simon Sand and Gravel Quarry conditional to a full environmental impact assessment and a restoration plan for the whole site.

The States Assembly <u>voted</u> to APPROVE the Minister for the Environment's 97<sup>th</sup> amendment to the Bridging Island Plan. 38 Members voted in favour and one abstained.

## 20th amendment – Extension of La Gigoulande Quarry

Senator Kristina Moore proposed the 20<sup>th</sup> <u>amendment</u>: to remove La Gigoulande Quarry and Field MY966 in St. Peter and St. Mary from the possibility of extension, as is proposed in the Bridging Island Plan.

The States Assembly <u>voted</u> to APPROVE Senator Moore's 20<sup>th</sup> amendment to the Bridging Island Plan. 40 Members voted in favour; five voted against.

# 83<sup>rd</sup> amendment – Mineral extraction sites: proximity to occupied buildings and air quality monitoring

Deputy Morel proposed the 83<sup>rd</sup> <u>amendment</u>: to only support mineral extraction site extensions with at least 250m between the site and the nearest occupied buildings, with air quality monitoring systems provided and air quality assessed before planning is granted.

The States Assembly voted to REJECT i) of part a (relating to the 250m distance) and APPROVE ii) and iii) of part a, and part b (relating to air quality monitoring) of Deputy Morel's 83<sup>rd</sup> amendment to the Bridging Island Plan.

#### 60th amendment - Performance measures

The Connétable of St. Brelade proposed the 60th <u>amendment</u>: to adjust performance measures to improve assessment of deterioration or improvements in landscapes and land loss for tourism and public facilities.

The States Assembly voted to APPROVE the Connétable of St. Brelade's 60<sup>th</sup> amendment to the Bridging Island Plan.

The States Assembly adjourned and will conclude the debate on the Bridging Island Plan at 9:30am tomorrow, Friday 25 March.

#### -ENDS-

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