



States of Alderney

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Scheduled Passenger Movements

Latest scheduled passenger movement statistics for the period 1 January to 30 April show a 6% growth in passenger movements over the same period last year. A breakdown of the figures is as follows:

Total year to date (1 January to 30 April): 14,205 movements as compared to 13,382 movements over the same period in 2018. **This represents a 6.2% increase.**

- **Guernsey Service:** 8,465 movements as compared to 8,201 movements over the same period in 2018. **This represents a 3.2% increase.**
- **Southampton Service:** 5,740 movements as compared to 5,181 movements over the same period in 2018. **This represents a 10.8% increase**

Commenting on these latest statistics, James Dent, Chairman of the Policy and Finance Committee said:

‘Whilst it is still early in the year, these promising figures indicate that the decline in passenger movements over recent years has been halted and that passenger numbers are increasing once again which, hopefully, will be sustained. These latest statistics are another indication of the green shoots that are now appearing in the Island’s economy and highlight how important reliable, direct air services are to the Island.’

States Member Christian Harris who is Chairman of the recently constituted Tourism and Economic Development Committee stated:

‘Release of these latest figures is very welcome news. While analysis of who is travelling is currently being undertaken, the growth cannot be all down to residents travelling more frequently and must also reflect greater numbers of leisure and business visitors coming to the Island. What is also good news is the start of the Little Ferry Service in just two weeks’ time. This will further enhance passenger numbers this year over last year when the ferry service only commenced operation in mid-July.’

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