



## **BILLET D'ETAT FOR 20-07-2005**

**Date: 19th July, 2005**

STATES OF ALDERNEY

BILLET D'ETAT FOR 20th July, 2005

BILLET No 2.

Members of the States:

I have the honour to inform you that the Meeting of the States will be held at 5.30 p.m. on Wednesday, 20th July, 2005. This will be preceded by the People's Meeting, which will be held on Monday 18th July 2005 at 7 p.m. in the Island Hall.

Sir Norman Browse

President

Item I Health and Leisure Centre

Under clause 45(4) of the Government of Alderney Law 2004, four members of the States of Alderney have signed the following requete:-

"For over twenty five years Alderney has seen various proposals put forward for swimming pools and Sports Centres. The arguments in favour of such schemes remain the same - that they provide significant health, educational and economic benefits to the whole Island. Difficulties have always been encountered with both running costs and capital costs.

The Alderney Community Sports and Health Charitable Trust has come forward with proposals for a health and leisure centre which we believe satisfactorily address the concerns raised regarding both capital and running costs. In the opening years of the 21st century we believe it entirely appropriate that the facilities envisaged should be provided to Island residents and to visitors.

We also believe that the amount requested from the Trust of £800,000 is a good use of what is effectively just over one year's Gambling Commission surplus. We also believe that the concept of a public private partnership for the project is right and should be encouraged.

We ask the States to resolve to:

Approve in principle a capital allocation of £800k to the Alderney Community Sports and Health Charitable Trust for the purposes of contributing to the cost of building the centre as described in the Trust"s proposal."

Dated the 7th day of July 2005

Signed by the following Members: Barbara Benfield, Sue Phillips, Bill Walden, Richard Willmott

A copy of The Trust Proposal is available for purchase from the States Office, Island Hall. A further copy is available for viewing at The Library.

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