Press Release

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POLICY & FINANCE COMMITTEE

The States of Alderney Policy and Finance Committee met on 28th April 2015. The full minutes will be published shortly and the following issues are worthy of note.

States review of Liquor Licensing

The Policy & Finance Committee of the States of Alderney has agreed to conduct extensive public consultation on the possibility of extending liquor off-sales to retail establishments rather than continue the current restrictions where such sales can only be made by public houses. Neil Harvey, Chairman of the Committee said, "We are aware that this issue arouses strong views, both for and against a change to the licensing laws. In order that the States can make a balanced decision it is appropriate to canvas opinions from as many people as possible on the island. A briefing note and arrangements for feedback will be published and ample time will be given to consider the views of the public before any decision is reached."

Review of Education in Alderney

The Policy & Finance Committee of the States of Alderney has agreed to commission a thorough review of Education Services on the island. This will include current provision through St Anne School but also cover all publicly funded education/training services provided to Alderney residents of whatever age. Neil Harvey, Chairman of the Committee said, "We are delighted to secure the services of Ian Carter, a highly respected educationalist with significant standing at national level in the UK. Ian is an Alderney resident and has offered his professional services free of charge." Further details to follow.

The members of the Policy and Finance Committee are:

Neil Harvey (Chairman)
Matt Birmingham
Louis Jean
Graham McKinley
Robert McDowall (Deputy Chairman)
Norma Paris
Steve Roberts
Chris Rowley
Francis Simonet
Ian Tugby