

# The Future of Alderney Airport

The States of Alderney is convinced the majority of Islanders would like to see a modern, up-to-date and fully functioning airport fit for the 21st century with larger private and scheduled aircraft providing more seats for visitors and Islanders alike as a significant benefit for Alderney's economy.

It seems clear that with increasing pressure on Bailiwick revenues and budgets it is very unlikely that any future Public Service Obligation (PSO) subsidies would be agreed at the current levels of £2m per annum. The existing contract expires at the end of 2025, which in aviation terms is a short timescale, hence the importance of significantly reducing the annual subsidy through the adoption of Option C+. An annual recurring saving of circa £800,000 on the PSO subsidy is a critically important part of making Alderney's lifeline air routes sustainable in the long term.

***The extended runway with improved infrastructure (Option C+), which is currently being championed by the States' Trading Supervisory Board and the Policy & Resources Committee in Guernsey, with the full support of the Policy & Finance Committee in Alderney and the Island's Chamber of Commerce, is likely to be by far the best – and probably only – opportunity to secure these objectives for many years to come.***

We hope there is enough foresight in both islands to enable this major project to proceed without delay.

In these 6 Information Sheets you will find answers to the following:

- ▶ **The background to the Option C+ proposal**
- ▶ **Why it's important that Alderney adapts to changes in air transport**
- ▶ **What's wrong with an airport that has served us so well for more than 50 years?**
- ▶ **What the proposal would mean to the Island and the Bailiwick**
- ▶ **Why the direct Alderney-Southampton link is vital to Alderney**
- ▶ **What could happen if an extended runway was NOT approved?**