

STATES OF JERSEY



PROPOSED BUDGET (GOVERNMENT PLAN) 2026-2029 (P.70/2025): THIRTY- SIXTH AMENDMENT

Lodged au Greffe on 11th December 2025
by the Minister for Treasury and Resources

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AMENDMENT

1 PAGE 3, PARAGRAPH (b)(viii) –

After the words “Appendix 2 – Summary Tables 5(i) and (ii) of the Report”, insert the words -

“, except that in Summary Table 5 (i) –

The heads of expenditure shall be reduced in accordance with the table below –

Head of expenditure	Reduction in net revenue expenditure
Cabinet Office	£9,000
Digital Services	£17,000
People Services	£6,000
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Employment, Social Security and Housing	£24,000
Infrastructure	£30,000
Environment	£6,000
Health and Care Jersey	£180,000
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Treasury & Exchequer	£37,000
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MINISTER FOR TREASURY AND RESOURCES

Note: After this amendment, the proposition would read as follows –

THE STATES are asked to decide whether they are of opinion –

- (a) In accordance with Article 16 of the Public Finances (Jersey) Law 2019 (the Law) to approve an amendment to the Government Plan 2025 – 2028 (entitled “Budget 2025 – 2028”) to a reduction in the 2025 head of expenditure “Grants to States Funds” as included in Table 5(i) Revenue Heads of Expenditure of that Government Plan from £119,821,000 to £69,821,000.
- (b) To receive the Government Plan 2026 – 2029 (entitled “Budget 2026-2029”) specified in Article 9(1) of the Law and specifically –
- i. to approve the estimate of total States income to be paid into the Consolidated Fund in 2026 as set out in Appendix 2 – Summary Table 1 to the Report, which is inclusive of the proposed taxation and impôts duties changes outlined in the Government Plan, in line with Article 9(2)(a) of the Law.
 - ii. to refer to their Act dated 24th June 2003 in which they approved that no new ‘user pays’ charges be introduced without any such charge receiving prior in principle approval by the States Assembly and accordingly to approve the introduction of two new charges, to be levied by Health and Care Jersey to promote appropriate use of the Emergency Department and for repeated non-attendance of outpatient appointments, detailed in the section entitled “Departmental Income Sources” as set out in the Appendix to the accompanying Report.
 - iii. to approve the proposed Changes to Approval for financing/borrowing for 2026, as shown in Appendix 2 – Summary Table 2 to the Report, which may be obtained by the Minister for Treasury and Resources, as and when required, in line with Article 9 (2)(c) of the Law, of up to those revised approval amounts.
 - iv. to approve the transfers from one States fund to another for 2026 of up to and including the amounts set in Appendix 2 – Summary Table 3 in line with Article 9(2)(b) of the Law.
 - v. to approve a transfer from the Consolidated Fund to the Stabilisation Fund in 2026 of up to £50 million, subject to a decision of the Minister for Treasury and Resources based on the availability of funds in the Consolidated Fund as at 31st December 2025 in excess of the estimates provided in this plan, or from budgeted underspends identified before 31st December 2026.
 - vi. to approve a transfer from the Consolidated Fund to the Agricultural Loans Fund in 2026 of up to £5 million, subject to a decision of the Minister for Treasury and Resources based on availability of funds in the Consolidated Fund as at 31st December 2025 in excess of estimates provided in this plan, or from budgeted underspends identified before 31st December 2026;
 - vii. to approve each major project that is to be started or continued in 2026 and the total cost of each such project and any amendments to the proposed total cost of a major project under a previously

approved Government Plan, in line with Article 9(2)(d), (e) and (f) of the Law and as set out in Appendix 2 – Summary Table 4 to the Report.

- viii. to approve the proposed amount to be appropriated from the Consolidated Fund for 2026, for each head of expenditure, being gross expenditure less estimated income (if any), in line with Articles 9(2)(g), 10(1) and 10(2) of the Law, and set out in Appendix 2 – Summary Tables 5(i) and (ii) of the Report, except that in Summary Table 5(i) –

The heads of expenditure shall be reduced in accordance with the below table –

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- ix. to approve the estimated income, being estimated gross income less expenditure, that each States trading operation will pay into its trading fund in 2026 in line with Article 9(2)(h) of the Law and set out in Appendix 2 – Summary Table 6 to the Report.
- x. to approve the proposed amount to be appropriated from each States trading operation's trading fund for 2026 for each head of

expenditure in line with Article 9(2)(i) of the Law and set out in Appendix 2 – Summary Table 7 to the Report.

- xi. to approve the estimated income and expenditure proposals for the Climate Emergency Fund for 2026 as set out in Appendix 2 – Summary Table 8 to the Report.
- xii. to approve, in accordance with Article 9(1) of the Law, the Government Plan 2026-2029, as set in the Appendix to the accompanying Report.

REPORT

This amendment follows as a result of the States Assembly approving both amendment 32 – Environmental Department Funding, and amendment 23 – Increased Police Funding during the budget debate this week. During the debate the Minister for Treasury and Resources undertook to produce an amendment to fund the additional expenditure of £656k for the Environment Department. This amendment therefore ensures that the consolidated fund remains positive throughout all years of the budget.

The amendment removes allocations from Ministerial Departmental Heads of Expenditure totalling £656k. Given the time available, this has been calculated based on:

- 50% being allocated across new growth bids, in proportion to their amount
- 50% being allocated in proportion to overall net revenue expenditure (excluding social benefits)
- Adjusting the resultant Health and Care Jersey reduction from £420k to £180k to reflect the £240k reduction already agreed by Amendment 32.

The result is that both increases for States of Jersey Police and the Environment Department are spread across departments.

Financial and staffing implications

The proposed amendment will adjust the profile of spending across heads of expenditures to a total of £656,000.

Children’s Rights Impact Assessment

The amendment has no direct or indirect impact on children. Accordingly, a Children’s Rights Impact Assessment is not required under the Children (Conventions Rights) (Jersey) Law 2022.