

# Extract of Proceedings in the Council of Ministers during February 2020

# Part I Decisions made by Council

Enterprise and Opportunity Island
We have an economy where local entrepreneurship is supported and thriving and more new
businesses are choosing to call the Isle of Man home

## **Economic Opportunity for Medicinal Cannabis**

Council considered a paper and presentation submitted by the Department for Enterprise, Business Isle of Man, and noting the economic opportunity and interdepartmental engagement that would be required to bring a hemp, cannabidiol and medicinal cannabis industry to the Island, agreed next steps.

Enterprise and Opportunity Island We have an education system which matches our skills requirements now and in the future

## Independent Review of the Department of Education, Sport and Culture

Council considered and following discussion in respect of the themes, objectives and the reporting mechanism for the Review, agreed the Terms of Reference for the Independent Review of the Department of Education, Sport and Culture.

Enterprise and Opportunity Island We have an infrastructure which supports social and economic wellbeing

## **Contingency Bid for Local Authority Housing Deficiency**

Council considered a paper submitted by the Department of Infrastructure and agreed the funding claim from the Revenue Contingency Fund to be paid from the Housing Deficiency Fund to cover the 2019/20 budget shortfall for Local Authority Deficiency.

# Land Transfer to the Proposed Government Agency "Isle of Man Airport Limited"

Council considered a paper submitted by the Department of Infrastructure and approved the transfer of ownership/management of the Freeport and Airport Technology Gateway to Proposed Government Agency "Isle of Man Airport Limited", subject to agreement that a specialist resource be recruited to manage the sites.

# **Public Appointments – Isle of Man War Pensions Committee**

Council considered a paper submitted by the Cabinet Office and, noting that the nomination had been received from the Joint Ex-Servicemen's Association, agreed the appointment of Lieutenant Colonel Patrick Glynn-Riley to the Isle of Man War Pensions Committee for a term ending 23 July 2022, subject to Tynwald approval.

Responsible Island

We have more responsive legislation and regulation

## **Primary Legislation – Introduction to Branches**

Council considered and agreed that the following pieces of primary legislation be introduced into the Branches:

- Registration of Electors Bill 2020
- Elections (Keys and Local Authorities) Bill 2020

## **Statutory Instruments**

Council considered and agreed that the following Statutory Instruments be made and submitted to Tynwald:

- Spirit Drinks Regulations 2020
- European Communities (Agricultural Products and Foodstuffs Quality Schemes) Regulations 2020
- European Union (Somalia Sanctions) (Arms Embargo, Etc) (Amendment) Order 2020
- Somalia Sanctions (Arms Embargo, Etc) (Amendment) Regulations 2020

Sustainable Island

We have a planning system which supports sustainable growth

Referral of Application of General Importance: Variation of condition 2 of application 12/01671/B for the continued deposit of inert and mixed construction/demolition waste and associated site restoration, to extend the approval for a further 12 months, Wrights Pit North

Council considered a paper submitted by the Department for Environment, Food and Agriculture and directed that application [19/01439/B], by the Department of Infrastructure, be determined by the Council of Ministers.

Sustainable Island

We have a natural and built environment which we conserve and cherish and which is adapted to cope with the threats from climate change

## **Establishing the Climate Change Transformation Programme**

Council considered a paper submitted by the Department of Environment, Food and Agriculture and agreed the governance and the structure for the transformation programme that will be responsible for delivering 'the Isle of Man Government Action Plan for Achieving Net Zero Emissions by 2050', including the Terms of Reference for the Transformation Board and for the Steering Group.

## Climate Change Bill 2020 – Proposals for content

Council considered a paper submitted by the Department of Environment, Food and Agriculture and, noting the progress made in the development of the legislation, approved the proposed policy aspects of the Climate Change Bill.

Inclusive and Caring Island We have affordable and accessible housing which meets our social and economic needs

## **All Island Strategy for Affordable Housing**

Council considered a paper submitted by the Department of Infrastructure and approved the All Island Strategy for Affordable Housing, and agreed that such be submitted to Tynwald.

Inclusive and Caring Island
We have open and transparent Government which engages effectively with Tynwald and the public

## **Developing the fourth edition of Programme for Government**

Council held a workshop facilitated by the Cabinet Office to discuss and develop the Programme for Government for 2020/2021, and agreed the priorities and actions.

## **Extract of Proceedings in Council – December 2019**

Council considered a paper submitted by the Cabinet Office and agreed the content of the Extract of the Proceedings in Council for December 2019, prior to publication.

#### List of Items of Government Business - March 2020

Council considered a paper submitted by the Cabinet Office and approved the List of Items of Government Business for the March 2020 sitting of Tynwald.

Healthy and Safe Island We live our lives safe from crime and danger

## **Criminal Injuries Compensation Scheme Annual Report for 2018/19**

Council considered a paper submitted by the Treasury and agreed that the Criminal Injuries Compensation Scheme Annual Report for 2018/19 be submitted to Tynwald.

## **Investigatory Powers (Data Encryption) Bill 2020**

Council considered a paper submitted by the Department of Home Affairs and agreed the launch of a public consultation in respect of the Investigatory Powers (Data Encryption) Bill 2020.

# Part II Council noted the following Matters

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## **Teachers' Pay Negotiations – Update**

Council noted an update by the Department of Education, Sport and Culture in relation to the ongoing negotiations with the four Unions in respect of the teachers' pay awards for 2018-2019 and the future pay structure.

Responsible Island

We have public services which are fit for purpose, modern and provided in the right place

# National Sports Centre Café – Outsourcing

Council noted a paper submitted by the Department of Education, Sport and Culture providing information in respect of funding and concurrence for the redundancy costs in relation to the National Sports Centre Café staff.

Responsible Island
We engage, participate and are respected internationally

## **UK/EU Future Relationship Negotiating Positions**

Council noted a paper submitted by the Cabinet Office providing information in respect of the negotiating positions published by the UK and EU with regard to their future relationship.

#### TV licence fee evasion decriminalisation consultation

Council noted a paper submitted by the Cabinet Office in relation to the current consultation on the decriminalisation of TV licence fee evasion by the UK Department for Digital, Culture, Media and Sport.

Inclusive and Caring Island We have appropriate, flexible and equitable pensions for all

## **Public Sector Pensions – Voluntary Defined Contributions Scheme**

Council noted a paper submitted by the Public Sector Pensions Authority providing an update on the progress to date and next steps regarding the introduction of a voluntary Defined Contribution Scheme.

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# **Quarterly Economic and Statistical Update Quarter 4 2019**

Council noted a paper submitted by the Cabinet Office providing the Quarter 4 2019 Quarterly Economic and Statistical update.

# **Debt Counselling Service**

Council noted a paper submitted by the Isle of Man Office of Fair Trading providing the statistical analysis of the debt counselling service throughout 2019.

# **Inflation Report – January 2020**

Council noted a paper submitted by the Cabinet Office providing the January 2020 Inflation Report prior to publication.

# **Labour Market Report – January 2020**

Council noted a paper submitted by the Cabinet Office providing the January 2020 Labour Market report prior to publication.