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## Extract of Proceedings in the Council of Ministers during April 2023

## Part I Decisions made by Council

### **Personal Liability Order**

Council considered and **agreed** a paper submitted by the Cabinet Office seeking approval for the Personal Liability Act 2007 (Designated Persons) Order 2023 to be made and moved for approval at the May 2023 sitting of Tynwald.

### **Sanctions Bill 2023**

Council considered a paper submitted by the Treasury seeking approval to introduce the Sanctions Bill 2023 into the House of Keys.

### After consideration Council **agreed**:

- a) The introduction of the Sanctions Bill 2023 into the House of Keys by the Minister for the Treasury;
- b) To recommend that Mr President nominates a Member to take the Sanctions Bill 2023 through the Legislative Council; and
- c) That the First Reading of the Bill in the House of Keys occurs in April 2023.

### **Regulation of Broadcasters' Online News Content**

Council considered a paper submitted by the Cabinet Office advising Council of the proposed approach of the Communications and Utilities Regulatory Authority (CURA) in considering regulation of news content publishes online by local broadcasters.

After consideration, Council **noted** the approach put forward by CURA.

## Council of Ministers' Response to the Report presented by the Environment and Infrastructure Policy Review Committee on the Active Travel Strategy

Council considered a paper submitted by the Department of Infrastructure and the Cabinet Office seeking approval to submit its response to the Report presented by the Environment and Infrastructure Policy Review Committee on the Active Travel Strategy to May 2023 Tynwald.

### After consideration Council, agreed to:

- a) Accept the Response to the Report (pending confirmation of wording relating to Recommendation Four) and;
- b) Agree that the Response be laid before the May 2023 sitting of Tynwald.

### **Local Government Superannuation (Amendment) Scheme 2023**

Council considered and **agreed** a paper submitted by the Department of Infrastructure seeking approval for the Local Government Superannuation (Amendment) Scheme 2023 to be moved for approval at the June 2023 sitting of Tynwald.

### **Publication of NERA Report**

Council considered a paper submitted by Manx Utilities Authority (MUA) seeking approval to release the NERA report, commissioned by the MUA.

After consideration, Council **agreed** to the publication of the NERA report on Manx Utilities' website. Tynwald Members will be made aware of its location.

### Income Tax (No.2) Bill 2023

Council considered and **agreed** a paper submitted by the Treasury, seeking approval for the Income Tax Bill 2023 to be added to the Legislative Programme.

### Extract of Proceedings – January 2023 and February 2023

Council considered and **agreed** a paper submitted by the Cabinet Office seeking approval for the January and February 2023 Extract of Proceedings to be published online, pending minor corrections (of typographical errors etc.).

### **Treasury Department Plan 2023-24**

Council considered and **agreed** a paper submitted by Treasury seeking approval for the Treasury Minister to move that the Treasury Department Plan for 2023-24 to be received by Tynwald (pending minor corrections and clarifications) at the June 2023 sitting.

### **Plant Health Regulations**

Council considered and **agreed** a paper submitted by the Department for Environment, Food and Agriculture seeking approval to make the European Union and Trade Act 2019 (Amendments) (DEFA) (Plant Health) Regulations 2023; to make the Official Controls (Plant Health) (Frequency of Checks) Regulations 2023; and for the Minister for Environment, Food and Agriculture to move both Regulations for approval at the June 2023 sitting of Tynwald.

# **Russia Sanctions (Application) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2023**Council considered and **agreed** a paper submitted by the Treasury seeking approval for the Treasury Minister to move the Russia Sanctions (Application) (Miscellaneous Amendments) Regulations 2023 for approval at the June 2023 sitting of Tynwald.

### **Appointment of Manx Care Non-Executive Members**

Council considered and **agreed** a paper submitted by the Department of Health and Social Care seeking approval for the appointment of three non-executive Members of Manx Care to be moved for approval at the May sitting of Tynwald.

### **List of Items of Government Business – May 2023 Fast Track**

Council considered and **agreed** a paper submitted by the Cabinet Office seeking approval of the List of Items of Fast Track Business for the May 2023 sitting of Tynwald.

## Part II Council noted the following Matters

### **Public Body Climate Change Duties and Reporting – Update**

Council **noted** a paper submitted by the Department of Environment, Food and Agriculture providing an update in relation to the Public Body Climate Change Duties Guidance and Reporting.

### **Department for Enterprise Delivery Plan 2023-24**

Council **noted** a paper submitted by the Department for Enterprise providing information in relation to the Department Plan ahead of a briefing to Tynwald Members and publication on the Register of Business.

### **Isle of Man Inflation Report – March 2023**

Council **noted** a paper submitted by the Cabinet Office providing information in relation to the Isle of Man Inflation Report – March 2023, prior to publication on the following Monday.

## Publication of the Isle of Man Fire and Rescue Service Peer Challenge Feedback Report and Peer Challenge Action Plan

Council **noted** a paper submitted by the Department of Home Affairs providing information in relation to Isle of Man Fire and Rescue Service (IOMFRS) Peer Challenge Feedback report to be laid before the May 2023 sitting of Tynwald and subsequently published on gov.im alongside the IOMFRS Peer Challenge Action Plan.

### Access to Cash: Withdrawal of Certain Coins as Legal Tender and Rounding of Cash Transactions

Council **noted** a paper submitted by the Treasury providing information in relation to a public consultation on whether or not to withdraw 1p, 2p and 5p coins from circulation, and introduce rounding in respect of cash transactions.

### **Isle of Man in Numbers 2023**

Council **noted** a paper submitted by the Cabinet Office providing information in relation to Isle of Man in Numbers 2023 report prior to publication on 2 May 2023.

### Isle of Man Labour Market Report - March 2023

Council **noted** a paper submitted by the Cabinet Office providing information in relation to the Isle of Man Labour Market Report – March 2023 prior to release on Tuesday 2 May 2023.

### **Housing Market Report 2023**

Council **noted** a paper submitted by the Cabinet Office providing information in relation to the Housing Market Report 2023 report prior to publication on 2 May 2023.

## Part III Council determined the following Planning Applications

### **Application of General Importance – Solar Voltaic Array, Castletown**

After consideration, Council **agreed** that the application will not be determined by Council.

Applications are referred to the Council of Ministers on a number of specific grounds which are set out in the Town and Country Planning Act 1999. These relate broadly to land use zoning, the size of the proposed development and environmental matters, and are explained more fully on the Planning and Building Control pages of the Government website.

The Decision Notice for applications and the Inspector's Report are available online at <a href="https://www.gov.im/onlineservices">https://www.gov.im/onlineservices</a>.