STATES OF JERSEY

COMMON STRATEGIC POLICY 2026-2030 (P.75/2026): NINTH AMENDMENT (P.75/2026 AMD.(9)) – AMENDMENT

Lodged au Greffe on 3rd November 2026
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1 PAGE 2, PARAGRAPH 1 –

The words "We will support their long-term resilience and sustainability, including through leadership and governance development, by building digital and organisational capacity, and by encouraging collaboration across the sector, so that they can continue to deliver essential services and respond to future needs.", should be substituted with the following –

"We will strengthen relationships with the third sector to aid long term planning, and support sector level development and collaboration; and prioritise prevention and early intervention to promote stronger and safer communities.".

2 PAGE 2, PARAGRAPH 2 –

Part (b) should be deleted and the subsequent paragraph redesignated accordingly.

COUNCIL OF MINISTERS

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

1 PAGE 2 –

After the words "report accompanying this Proposition" insert the words –

", except that on page 14 of the report after paragraph seven, there should be inserted a new paragraph as follows –

"We will recognise charities and social enterprises as part of the Island's social infrastructure. We will strengthen relationships with the third sector to aid long term planning, and support sector level development and collaboration; and prioritise prevention and early intervention to promote stronger and safer communities."; and

2 PAGE 2 –

After the words "report accompanying this Proposition" insert the words –

", except that –

(a) on page 19 of the report, after 11.2 there should be inserted the following –

"11.3 Introduce multi-year funding agreements with charities and social enterprises that deliver public services and set out in future Budgets how prevention and early intervention will be prioritised"; and

(b) on page 19 of the report, after the last paragraph, there should be inserted the following new paragraph –

"While securing value for money, Government will ensure its commissioning and procurement processes are fair and proportionate, apply social value consistently across all tendering, and treat charities and social enterprises as delivery partners.""".

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

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

in accordance with Article 18(2)(e) of the States of Jersey Law 2005, to approve the statement of the Common Strategic Policy of the Council of Ministers as set out in the report accompanying this Proposition, except that on page 14 of the report, after paragraph seven, there should be inserted a new paragraph as follows –

"We will recognise charities and social enterprises as part of the Island's social infrastructure. We will strengthen relationships with the third sector to aid long term planning, and support sector level development and collaboration; and prioritise prevention and early intervention to promote stronger and safer communities."; and;

(a) on page 19 of the report, after 11.2 there should be inserted the following –

"11.3 Introduce multi-year funding agreements with charities and social enterprises that deliver public services and set out in future Budgets how prevention and early intervention will be prioritised".

(b) on page 19 of the report, after the last paragraph, there should be inserted the following new paragraph –

"While securing value for money, Government will ensure its commissioning and procurement processes are fair and proportionate, apply social value consistently across all tendering, and treat charities and social enterprises as delivery partners.""".

REPORT

This Council of Ministers is committed to supporting the charitable sector, and welcomes Deputy Jeune's amendment which ensures this commitment is made visible within the Common Strategic Policy.

Specific responsibility has been delegated to Senator Miles, as Assistant Chief Minister, for strengthening coordination and engagement with the sector.

As part of this, there will be a particular focus on building trust and confidence in the Government across the third sector; recognising and championing the invaluable role charities play in building a strong community.

The Assistant Chief Minister has been engaging with charities across the sector to understand their perspective and challenges first-hand and will continue to do so.

It is clear that the Government must listen to charities about what they need to thrive, rather than seek to be overly directive.

This relatively minor amendment refines the approach taken by the proposer to both make it more concise and focused, and to better align with the approach the Government intends to take with charities across the next four years.

This includes making the narrative on page 14 less prescriptive, and better capturing the importance of investing in early intervention alongside other community building and island resilience priorities.

Deputy Jeune's amendments in relation to improvements to commissioning processes and multi-year funding agreements are maintained and supported by the Council of Ministers.

Ministers recognise that our charitable partners play a vital role in supporting a strong and resilient island community, and commit to delivering on the improvements set out within this amendment as part of an overall ambition to see the third sector thrive.

Financial and staffing implications

No new financial or staffing implications.

Children's Rights Impact Assessment

I consider that this amendment has no direct or indirect impact on children and that the duty to have due regard to the UN Convention on the Rights of the Child does not arise. Accordingly, a Children's Rights Impact Assessment is not required under the Children (Convention Rights) (Jersey) Law 2022 .