



25th November 2025

Dear Deputy Tadier,

Re – Proposed Budget 2026-2029 Review

Thank you for this additional opportunity to present the views of the Jersey Hospitality Association on the proposed Budget 2026-2029. We note that you've acknowledged our earlier submission to the Corporate Services Panel, and we shall try to avoid repeating ourselves.

As you may know, the JHA is comprised of over 200 businesses in the hospitality sector and we represent members involved in supply chain, entertainment, attractions, catering, production, transportation as well as the businesses you would normally associate with hospitality and the visitor economy.

Our industry touches every corner of our island and ensures that we continue to have the vital connections to and from the UK and Europe.

We closely monitor the economy and work with Ministers, government officials and arms-length organisations to promote growth in our sector. You will often see and hear us supporting our members as we and they battle against some of the barriers that hinder the ability of businesses to flourish.

We cannot underestimate the role our industry plays in attracting investment in the island, spending in the visitor economy and providing the quality of life that islanders expect.

1. Increasing duty on fuel and emissions

The Association recognises the importance of environmental sustainability and reducing emissions. However, we are concerned about the cumulative impact of a 1.7p per litre fuel duty increase and higher emissions-related charges, particularly up to £2,480 for the most polluting vehicles, on hospitality businesses. These measures

will increase transport and supply chain costs at a time when margins are already under pressure.

We urge the Government to consider transitional support and incentives for greener practices, such as grants for electric vehicles and energy efficiency upgrades, to help businesses adapt without compromising competitiveness.

2. Better Business Support Package

We welcome the continuation of the Better Business Support package and the proposed £10 million allocation in 2026. This funding is critical as the industry transitions to a living wage. We believe these resources should be targeted toward skills development, productivity improvements and business resilience to ensure hospitality businesses can absorb wage increases while maintaining service quality and employment levels.

The hospitality sector is a cornerstone of Jersey's economy and community life. We are committed to working collaboratively with government to achieve shared goals, whether that's sustainability, fair employment or economic growth. By engaging openly and providing practical support, we can ensure that these budget measures strengthen rather than strain the businesses that serve islanders and visitors alike.

We appreciate this opportunity to give you our Association's views on the Proposed Budget. We would also greatly value the opportunity to meet you in person in the next few weeks.

Yours sincerely,

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