THE STATES OF DELIBERATION Of the ISLAND OF GUERNSEY

22nd January, 2025

Proposition No. P.2024/112

Committee for Education, Sport & Culture

Education Governance

AMENDMENT

Proposed by: Deputy H Soulsby Seconded by: Deputy A Dudley-Owen

To insert the following wording to the end of proposition 4;

"subject to inclusion of the following in the mandate:

"• exploring and, where necessary recommending, the extent to which the proposed governance boards should be responsible and accountable for the selection of the Headteacher or Principal of the relevant educational setting, and their deputies."."

Rule 4(1) Information

- a) The proposition contributes to the States' objectives and policy plans in the same way as set out in the policy letter.
- b) In preparing the proposition, the issue has been discussed with, and the proposition has the support of, the Committee for Education, Sport & Culture.
- c) The proposition has been submitted to His Majesty's Procureur for advice on any legal or constitutional implications.
- d) There are no financial implications to the States of carrying the proposition into effect.

Explanatory note

The policy letter makes it clear that Governance Boards will be expected to help to develop the strategic direction of the educational setting for which they are responsible.

Any prospective Headteacher or Principal should, as part of the selection process, be able to demonstrate their ability to deliver the agreed or emerging strategic direction set by the Governance Board, and the same is so for their deputies. It is necessary to explore where responsibility and accountability lies for ensuring that the persons selected to lead a setting meet this criteria and are considered the right fit for that setting. It is appropriate that this work should be included in the mandate of the Education Devolution & Delegation Investigation & Advisory Committee.