THE STATES OF DELIBERATION Of the ISLAND OF GUERNSEY

19th March, 2025

Proposition No. P.2025/26

Committee for Education, Sport & Culture

BLANCHELANDE COLLEGE, ELIZABETH COLLEGE & THE LADIES' COLLEGE: FUTURE FUNDING ARRANGEMENTS

AMENDMENT

Proposed by: Deputy R Prow Seconded by: Deputy A Brouard

After proposition 1 agree to insert a new proposition:

"2. To agree the following in its entirety:

- to maintain financial support paid by the States of Guernsey to Blanchelande College, Elizabeth College and The Ladies' College ("the Colleges") based on a per pupil model the value of which is set by the per pupil funding for the 2025/26 academic year, with the maximum financial support per year not exceeding the total payable for the 2025/26 academic year, with the subsidy each year to be calculated using the number of qualifying students (as described in paragraph 17.3 of the Policy Letter); and
- that the resultant financial support to the Colleges is distributed to the Colleges in each such academic year based on the number of qualifying students in Years 7 to 13 in each College (as described in paragraph 17.3 of the Policy Letter)."

and to add the words "Or, only if proposition 1 should not carry".

Rule 4(1) Information

- a) The proposition contributes to the States' objectives and policy plans as it has the potential to return savings (as set out in the table in the explanatory note below), when compared with other options that would see the grant to the Colleges continue with annual RPIX increases.
- b) In preparing the proposition, consultation has been undertaken with the Committee *for* Education, Sport & Culture whose Members are not minded to support it. A copy of the Amendment has been [is being] sent to the Colleges. We expect a response by the time the Amendment is laid.
- c) The proposition has been submitted to His Majesty's Procureur for advice on any legal or constitutional implications.
- d) The financial implications to the States of carrying the proposal into effect are described in the explanatory note below and are less than those pertaining to original proposition 2 as the continuing States financial support to the Colleges is not subject to any RPIX increases.
- e) Drafting advice has been sought from the States' Greffier and advice has been sought from the Officers of the Committee *for* Education, Sport & Culture.

Explanatory note

This amendment ensures the States funding support to the Colleges is calculated on a per pupil basis and remains at a level that does not exceed the per pupil funding in place for the 2025/2026 academic year. Furthermore, it caps the overall maximum amount of States funding support to the Colleges at the level in place during the 2025/2026 academic year, in the event that the Colleges' pupil numbers increase significantly, and therefore does not expose the States to unforeseen costs.

The amendment does not provide for RPIX increases to either the per pupil funding or the cap on the overall amount of States funding support for the Colleges, such that there is a year-on-year real terms decrease in the value of the funding, the expectation being that the Colleges' should, over time, reduce their reliance on the States financial support.

The table below shows the impact of the amendment on the funding to the Colleges. It is modelled on an assumption that the Colleges retain the same overall percentage of students, but recognises projected student population decline. The 'saving' column has been calculated to show the difference between the projected funding each year and the predicted value of the funding in 2025/26, the final year of the current grant agreement (which has been modelled on the same basis as in the policy letter). The

amendment expects the savings to be returned and not reinvested elsewhere in the education system.

			General grant	Change in funding per	Change in grant	
Academic Year	General grant	Pupil numbers	per pupil	pupil	from prior year	Saving
2025/26	£2,844,940	1,256	£2,265			
2026/27	£2,831,350	1,250	£2,265	£0	-£13,580	£13,590
2027/28	£2,795,108	1,234	£2,265	£0	-£36,495	£49,832
2028/29	£2,720,361	1,201	£2,265	£0	-£74,688	£124,579
2029/30	£2,607,107	1,151	£2,265	£0	-£113,730	£237,833
2030/31	£2,536,889	1,120	£2,265	£0	-£70,445	£308,051
2031/32	£2,430,430	1,073	£2,265	£0	-£106,091	£414,510
2032/33	£2,292,261	1,012	£2,265	£0	-£138,343	£552,679
2033/34	£2,237,899	988	£2,265	£0	-£52,621	£607,041
2034/35	£2,203,922	973	£2,265	£0	-£33,949	£641,018
2035/36	£2,201,657	972	£2,265	£0	-£2,546	£643,283
2036/37	£2,235,634	987	£2,265	£0	£33,949	£609,306
2037/38	£2,269,610	1,002	£2,265	£0	£33,100	£575,330
2038/39	£2,296,791	1,014	£2,265	£0	£26,311	£548,149
2039/40	£2,305,851	1,018	£2,265	£0	£9,336	£539,089
2040/41	£2,285,465	1,009	£2,265	£0	-£19,683	£559,475
2041/42	£2,265,080	1,000	£2,265	£0	-£20,386	£579,860
2042/43	£2,244,694	991	£2,265	£0	-£20,386	£600,246
2043/44	£2,226,573	983	£2,265	£0	-£18,121	£618,367
2044/45	£2,210,718	976	£2,265	£0	-£15,856	£634,222