THE STATES OF DELIBERATION
of the
ISLAND OF GUERNSEY

THE FISHING (AMENDMENT) ORDINANCE, 2022

The States are asked to decide:-

Whether they are of the opinion to approve the draft Ordinance entitled "The Fishing (Amendment) Ordinance, 2022", and to direct that the same shall have effect as an Ordinance of the States.

EXPLANATORY MEMORANDUM

This Ordinance amends the Fishing Ordinance, 1997 (the "Fishing Ordinance") as follows:

Section 2 amends the Fishing Ordinance to provide that the Committee for Economic Development may by order regulate the import, export, taking, buying and selling of any fish which is of a prescribed species.

Section 3 amends the Fishing Ordinance to provide that the taking of ormers at any time between the hours of sunset and sunrise is prohibited. This was the position in legislation prior to the enactment of the Fishing Ordinance. The policy letter that led to the enactment of the Fishing Ordinance proposed that no changes should be made to the restrictions concerning the shoregathering of ormers. This amendment therefore corrects an oversight and gives effect to the States resolution of 30th October 1996.

The Ordinance shall come into force on the 25th November, 2022.

The Fishing (Amendment) Ordinance, 2022

THE STATES, in pursuance of their Resolutions of the 30th October 1996[a] and the 25th March 2021[b], hereby order:-

Amendment of 1997 Ordinance.

1. The Fishing Ordinance, 1997 is amended as follows.

2. In section 1, immediately after subsection (3) insert the following subsection -

"(4) The Committee may by order regulate the import, export, taking, buying and selling of any fish which is of a prescribed species.".

3. In section 3, immediately after subsection (3) insert the following subsection -

"(3A) Notwithstanding anything in this section, a person shall not take ormers at any time between the hours of sunset and sunrise.".

Interpretation

4. Unless the context requires otherwise, in this Ordinance -

"**the 1997 Ordinance**" means the Fishing Ordinance, 1997, and other expressions have the same meanings as in the 1997 Ordinance.

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a Article VIII of Billet d'État No. XXIV of 1996.

b Article I of Billet d'État No. VIII of 2021.

Citation.

5. This Ordinance may be cited as the Fishing (Amendment) Ordinance, 2022.

Commencement.

6. This Ordinance shall come into force on 25th November, 2022.