



A Branch of the Royal Institute of British Architects

The Chief Minister
The Committee for Policy and Resources
Sir Charles Frossard House
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Dear Deputy Ferbrache,

We are writing on behalf of the Guernsey Society of Architects (GSA), representing members of the Royal Institute of British Architects practising or resident in the Bailiwick of Guernsey.

We wish to record our support for the content of your general update on the mandate of the Committee for Policy and Resources, and in particular the following:

1. Your commitment to bring a Capital Programme to the States of Deliberation that may include accelerated Capital Projects;
2. Your commitment that Projects will have a proper, lawful emphasis in favour of Guernsey businesses, and;
3. Your desire that the work should be carried out by Guernsey companies and a Guernsey workforce, and for that money to recycle in our economy.

The GSA supports these three principles and its members will welcome the opportunity to tender for Architectural services relating to any projects brought forward by the Committee, and by all of the other Committees of the States of Guernsey responsible for procuring such services.

The GSA believes that its members have the expertise to tackle most of the architectural service requirements of the States of Guernsey. In areas where a gap might exist we believe it is our responsibility to source any additional expertise that may be required through private commercial partnerships, in preference to the States of Guernsey procuring services from off-island consultants directly. This helps local businesses to train local employees to provide these services on future commissions, making the need for off-island support only a short term measure.

Furthermore, members of the GSA are available to provide knowledge, advice and guidance on the broad range of matters relating to Property and Construction that Government is responsible for, and should there be an area of Government Policy development where consultation with our members is considered desirable we would welcome the opportunity to engage with you and your Committee.

We hope that the support of the GSA is welcome and look forward to working with you, your committee, and the other committees of the States of Guernsey over the coming months and years to bring about the change that is needed to ensure the successful economic and social recovery of the Bailiwick.

Yours sincerely,

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