

Agreed by the Steering Committee at its meeting on Monday 15 May 2023



**BRITISH-IRISH PARLIAMENTARY ASSEMBLY
64th PLENARY SESSION**

Radisson Blu Waterfront Hotel, St Helier, Jersey, on 15 and 16 May 2023

PROVISIONAL PROGRAMME OF BUSINESS

MONDAY 15 MAY 2023

At 10.00 am: meeting in public session in the Rocco Tower Suite, Radisson Blu Waterfront Hotel, St Helier

- 1. OPENING OF THE PLENARY SESSION**
- 2. BRIEF INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS BY CO-CHAIRS**
- 3. ADOPTION OF PROPOSED PROGRAMME OF BUSINESS**
- 4. ADDRESS BY THE BAILIFF OF JERSEY**

Sir Timothy Le Cocq KC, Bailiff of Jersey and President of the States Assembly, will address the Assembly.

- 5. ADDRESS BY THE MINISTER OF STATE, DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE**

Jennifer Carroll MacNeill TD, Minister of State, Department of Finance, Government of Ireland, will address the Assembly and respond to questions.

At about 11.00 am the Co-Chairs will suspend proceedings.

At about 11.15 am:

6. ADDRESS BY THE CHIEF MINISTER OF JERSEY

Deputy Kristina Moore, Chief Minister of Jersey, will address the Assembly and respond to questions.

7. ADDRESS BY THE JERSEY MINISTER FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Deputy Kirsten Morel, Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture, Government of Jersey, will address the Assembly and respond to questions.

[The sitting will be suspended from 12.45 pm to 2.30 pm.]

At 2.30 pm

8. ADDRESS BY THE MINISTER OF STATE FOR NORTHERN IRELAND

Steve Baker MP, UK Minister of State for Northern Ireland, will address the Assembly and respond to questions.

9. STEERING COMMITTEE PROGRESS REPORT

The Co-Chairs will provide a progress report from the Steering Committee.

**10. CONSOLIDATING THE BILATERAL RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE UK AND IRELAND:
DEBATE ON MOTION**

Senator Emer Currie, on behalf of the Steering Committee

That this Assembly endorses the report of the Committee on Sovereign Matters on *Consolidating the bilateral relationship between Britain and Ireland*; emphasises the importance of the strongest possible relationship between the two Governments in Dublin and in London and the governments across the British Isles; welcomes the positive initial responses to the report from the UK Government and the Government of Ireland; commends the practical proposals made in the report to enhance the relationship; and directs the Steering Committee to develop the Committee's proposals for the Assembly to play a more active role in promoting the relationship.

The day's sitting will conclude not later than 4.30 pm.

TUESDAY 16 MAY 2023

At 9.30 am: meeting in public session in the Rocco Tower Suite, Radisson Blu Waterfront Hotel, St Helier

11. REPORT FROM COMMITTEE B (EUROPEAN AFFAIRS): “INTERIM REPORT: UK-EU DEFENCE AND SECURITY COOPERATION”

John Lahart TD will provide the Committee’s progress report, and will then present the Committee’s report and respond to questions.

12. REPORT FROM COMMITTEE D (ENVIRONMENT & SOCIAL): “PROVISION FOR INDIGENOUS MINORITY LANGUAGES IN THE BIPA JURISDICTIONS”

Sean Crowe TD will provide the Committee’s progress report, and will then present the Committee’s report and respond to questions.

13. COMMITTEE PROGRESS REPORTS, ETC.

PROGRESS REPORT FROM COMMITTEE A (SOVEREIGN MATTERS)
Senator Emer Currie

PROGRESS REPORT FROM COMMITTEE C (ECONOMIC)
Brendan Howlin TD

GOVERNMENT RESPONSES TO COMMITTEE REPORTS

At about 10.15 am:

14. ADDRESS BY THE JERSEY MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT

Deputy Jonathan Renouf, Minister for the Environment, Government of Jersey, will address the Assembly and respond to questions.

At about 10.45 am the Co-Chairs will suspend proceedings.

At about 11.00 am:

15. DEBATE ON MOTION “That this Assembly has considered recent political developments”

Motion to be agreed by the Steering Committee

Not later than 12.25 pm:

16. ADJOURNMENT

The Steering Committee
That the Assembly do now adjourn.

The session will conclude not later than 12.25 pm.