ADDENDUM

Late Item for the Extraordinary Meeting of Chief Pleas to be held on the Wednesday, 26th August 2026

Under the Provisions of Rule 21 of the Chief Pleas Rules of Procedure, the Speaker of Chief Pleas has allowed, by request of the Douzaine, for the following report to be urgently presented and debated by Chief Pleas.

Item 2. To CONSIDER a Report with Proposition and Ordinance from the DOUZAINE entitled **"The Housing (Control of Occupation) (Commencement and Prescribed Persons) (Amendment) (Sark) Ordinance, 2026"** (copy enclosed).

P M Armorgie
Speaker of Chief Pleas

24th August 2026

Notes:

Please include this addendum with the Agenda for the Extraordinary meeting that was published on 12th August 2026. The Speaker will propose that Item 2 be debated immediately after item 1 on the agenda.

ITEM 02

DOUZAINE

Report with Proposition to Extraordinary Chief Pleas, 26th August 2026

The Housing (Control of Occupation) (Commencement and Prescribed Persons) (Amendment) (Sark) Ordinance, 2026

Members will be aware that education provision at Sark School for the 2026/27 academic year will be delivered through an arrangement between the Education Committee and the States of Guernsey Committee *for* Education, Sport and Culture.

Under these arrangements, teaching staff providing education at Sark School will be employed by the States of Guernsey rather than directly by Chief Pleas. Those teachers will continue to occupy local accommodation.

It has been identified that section 2(b) of The Housing (Control of Occupation) (Commencement and Prescribed Persons) (Sark) Ordinance, 2014 currently provides that a prescribed person must be:

"*...being employed by the Chief Pleas in a particular capacity...*"

As the teachers concerned will not be employed directly by Chief Pleas, there is a risk that they would no longer qualify as prescribed persons for the purposes of occupying the accommodation provided for them.

The proposed amendment is intended to address this issue by focusing on the function being performed, namely the provision of teaching services at Sark School, rather than the identity of the employer. The amendment is administrative and technical in nature and does not represent a change in the underlying policy relating to housing control within Sark.

The effect of the amendment will be to ensure that individuals engaged in teaching at Sark School, under arrangements approved by Chief Pleas, are able to continue occupying accommodation provided for that purpose, thereby ensuring continuity of educational provision for the Island.

The Douzaine therefore seeks approval of the attached amendment to The Housing (Control of Occupation) (Commencement and Prescribed Persons) (Sark) Ordinance, 2014.

Proposition 1

That Chief Pleas approves the amendment to The Housing (Control of Occupation) (Commencement and Prescribed Persons) (Sark) Ordinance, 2014 as laid before Chief Pleas.

Conseiller Mike Locke
Chair, Douzaine

The Housing (Control of Occupation) (Commencement and Prescribed Persons) (Amendment) (Sark) Ordinance, 2026

THE CHIEF PLEAS OF SARK, in exercise of the powers conferred on them by sections 5 and 12 of the Housing (Control of Occupation) (Sark) Law, 2011[a], and all other powers enabling them in that behalf, hereby order:-

Amendment of the Ordinance.

1. The Housing (Control of Occupation) (Commencement and Prescribed Persons) (Sark) Ordinance, 2014[b] is amended as follows -

(a) in section 2, after paragraph (b) insert the following paragraph -

"(ba) he is for the time being acting as a teacher at the Sark School,", and

(b) in section 4(1) -

(i) in the definition of "**restricted dwelling**", delete "and",

(ii) in the definition of "**seasonal employee**"

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[a] Order in Council No. IV of 2013; this enactment has been amended.

[b] Sark Ordinance No. I of 2014.

substitute ", and" for ".", and

(iii) after the definition of "**seasonal employee**", insert the following definition -

""**teacher**" does not include a person who is solely exercising any other function in relation to the Sark School and, for the avoidance of doubt, does not include a person acting as a learning support assistant (howsoever titled).".

Citation.

2. This Ordinance may be cited as the Housing (Control of Occupation) (Commencement and Prescribed Persons) (Sark) Ordinance, 2026.

Commencement.

3. This Ordinance comes into force on its enactment.