

Explanatory Memorandum to Tynwald Members

Issued by the Treasury

To the Hon Clare Christian, President of Tynwald and the Hon Council and Keys in Tynwald assembled

1. Title of measure

Registration of Marriages (Fees) Regulations 2016 – SD No. 2016/0205

2. Changes in policy

None

3. Effects of the measure

The Regulations, which prescribe the fees payable in respect of the registration of marriages, have been reviewed to keep fees in line with inflation.

The fees currently in force were last reviewed in 2013. The increase in inflation, as measured by the Retail Price Index, since the fees were last reviewed in 2013 has been 8.72%.

The fees have been set at a round figure for ease of administration, from both a customer and staff perspective. It should be borne in mind that the fees do not cover services for everyday events but rather, in most cases, what could be deemed as one-off events.

4. Reasons for the measure

The Regulations have been reviewed to keep fees in line with inflation.

5. Resource implications

There are no cost or personnel implications.

6. Tynwald procedure

Tynwald approval is required for these Regulations by Section 51(6) of the Marriage Act 1984.