



**LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL
OFFICIAL REPORT**

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PROCEEDINGS

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(HANSARD)

Douglas, Tuesday, 19th June 2007

Present:**The Hon. President of the Council (The Hon. N Q Cringle)**

The Lord Bishop of Sodor and Man (The Rt. Rev. Graeme Knowles), The Attorney General (Mr W J H Corlett QC),
Mr D Butt, Mrs C M Christian, Mr E A Crowe, Mrs P M Crowe, Mr A F Downie, Mr E G Lowey,
Mr J R Turner and Mr G H Waft,
with Mrs M Cullen, Clerk of the Council.

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The Council adjourned at 10.05 a.m.

Legislative Council

The Council met at 10.00 a.m.

[MR PRESIDENT *in the Chair*]

PRAYERS

The Lord Bishop

Welcome to Mr J Turner, MLC

The President: Hon. Members, I know that this morning we only have a very short Order Paper, but before we really get down to that business, can I again welcome our newest Member, Mr Juan Turner, to our midst this morning. I did pay a welcome, when Members came in for your swearing-in last week, but nevertheless, I think it is important that I express pleasure at having a full Council and to have a young business man on my immediate far left in the Legislative Council this morning. It is nice to have a full house, and we look forward to the contributions which I am sure you will be looking eagerly forward to making.

Order of the Day

Clerk of the Council

Mr Jonathan D C King appointed

1. Mr Butt to move:

That Mr Jonathan D C King be appointed Clerk of the Legislative Council with effect from 1st September 2007, the appointment to continue during pleasure.

The President: Just the one business Item on our Order Paper for us to deal with this morning, Hon. Members, and that is on the Order Paper as 'Clerk of the Council', and Mr Butt to move. So, I call the Hon. Member, Mr Butt.

Mr Butt: Yes, thank you, Mr President.

I was privileged to represent the Council in the selection process for the new Clerk of the Council, along with Mr

President. Following a day-long process, Mr Jonathan King emerged as the strongest candidate.

Having said that, I would move that Mr Jonathan D C King be appointed Clerk of the Legislative Council with effect from 1st September 2007, the appointment to continue during pleasure.

The President: Mrs Christian.

Mrs Christian: I beg to second, Mr President.

I am sure we welcome Mr King to replace the Clerk we have enjoyed the services of for many years. I am quite sure, from what we have heard, that he will be very vigorous in his duties and serve the Council well, and to that extent, I am quite sure that our pleasure will be a long one.

The President: Hon. Members, the simple motion then, moved by Mr Butt and seconded by Mrs Christian, is that Mr Jonathan D C King be appointed Clerk of the Legislative Council with effect from 1st September 2007. Hon. Members, those in favour, please say aye; and against, no. The ayes have it. The ayes have it.

Welcome to Mr J King, Clerk of the Council

The President: Hon. Members, Mr King is with us in the gallery this morning. Can I say, equally, that it is a pleasure, from my particular perspective, to welcome aboard Mr Jonathan King as Clerk of the Council.

Just to put it on the record, Jonathan, once again, in fact Jonathan has been a serving civil servant in London. He has wide experience in relation to all things Home Office – prisons, justice, those seem to be his background. He is an exceedingly good musician, which I think is good for the Isle of Man, and not only that, he was sensible enough to marry a good Ballabeg girl. (*Laughter*) That is the crux of the matter.

Very pleased to have you on board and I am sure that you will enjoy the welcome which the Council Members will undoubtedly give you during your term of office here with us.

Hon. Members, that draws to a conclusion the business of the Legislative Council this morning. We will withdraw and join our colleagues from the other place at 10.30 a.m. in Tynwald Court.

Thank you, Hon. Members.

The Council adjourned at 10.05 a.m.