

## Population & Immigration Review Approval Welcome by Business Association

The Guernsey International Business Association (GIBA) welcomes the approval of the Population & Immigration Policy Review (PIPR) policy letter, including the assumption of a +300 net migration per year population growth.

We note the Review reflected the work of the cross-Committee PIPR Steering Group, which included industry representation and support this approach in relation to such complex and wide-ranging policy initiatives.

The resolutions passed include important work streams for many States Committees, and all of these are important components of the delivery of the policy objectives in a managed and effective manner.

An important early priority will be to assess the infrastructure needed to support managed population growth and address the housing shortage. Affordable housing that meets the needs of the workers required to fill our working population gaps and retain younger islanders is critical.

The proposed action by The Committee for the Environment and Infrastructure to look at market interventions to try to encourage more house building is a positive step forward.

We also welcome proposals to explore how we can encourage wider economic participation and access to affordable childcare.