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Paul Sykes, Chair of the Guernsey International Business Association (GIBA), said, 'GIBA remains committed to addressing the recent challenges surrounding Guernsey's connectivity. We recognise the critical role reliable air travel plays in supporting the island's businesses and overall economic health.

'In light of the disruptions to the services provided by Aurigny this year, members of our Council recently met with Deputy Peter Roffey, President of the States' Trading Supervisory Board (STSB) responsible for Aurigny at our invitation. The meeting focused on the States of Guernsey's efforts to understand and resolve the issues that brought about the disruption and to gain clarity on the plans for restoring reliability and resilience to air travel to and from the island.

'We sought reassurance on timelines and emphasised the importance of a sustainable, long-term solution for the benefits of both Guernsey's business and wider community.

'We remain fully engaged in this process and will continue to advocate for measures that will not only restore public confidence but also strengthen Guernsey's reputation for connectivity. Ensuring that air travel serves as an asset to both the business community and the wider island population is a top priority.'