

**SHELTERED WORKSHOP AT HIGHLANDS:  
GRANT AID AND MANAGEMENT.**

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**PROPOSITION**

**THE STATES** are asked to decide whether they are of opinion -

- (a) to approve the transfer of responsibility for grant aid for the Sheltered Workshop from the Education Committee to the Social Security Committee with effect from 1st January, 1987;
- (b) to agree that the States shall be represented on the Board of Management by a member of each of the Social Security, Public Health and Education Committees;

**EDUCATION COMMITTEE**

### Report.

1. The States considered a Report and Proposition (P.102/82) on 24th August, 1982, and approved proposals for the creation, management and operation of a Sheltered Workshop at Highlands.

The Sheltered Workshop opened in August 1983, and now provides physically handicapped people with an opportunity to earn a living under favourable conditions.

2. The capital cost of the Workshop was financed by the Clarkson Trust with States' grant aid meeting the annual operating deficit. The Education Committee has inscribed this grant aid within its annual revenue budget.

3. The Sheltered Workshop trades as Oakfield Industries and operates under the control of a Board of Management whose chairman is nominated by the States and which consists of local businessmen and up to three representatives of the States, one of whom must be a member of the Education Committee.

4. The Education Committee was responsible for the planning and construction of the Workshop at Highlands. However, since that time contact between the Education Committee and the Sheltered Workshop has been minimal apart from providing grant aid and nominating a member of the Management Board. Conversely, the Social Security Committee has a general responsibility for employment matters, including the employment of disabled persons, and its officers have been closely involved with the operation of the Workshop, the selection of personnel and the rehabilitation of physically handicapped adults.

5. The Education Committee, Social Security Committee and Board of Management are agreed that it would be more appropriate for the Social Security Committee to be responsible for financial support to the Workshop.

6. It is also considered that, in future, the States should be represented on the Board of Management by persons nominated by the Education, Social Security and Public Health Committees.