



PRESS RELEASE

Governor in Council Top Lines: Tuesday 16 June 2026

A meeting of the Governor in Council was held on 16 June 2026.
The agenda for the meeting was as follows:

CLOSED AGENDA

1. Declaration of Interest
2. Application for Dispensation under Paragraph 4 of Schedule II to the the Immigration Control Ordinance, 2011 – ***** (GiC 07/2026)

NB (*) confirms names are redacted as the information is sensitive.

The following items were considered:

1. Declaration of Interest.

Ministers Thrower and Turner declared their interest.

Minister Thrower felt his association with the applicant would affect his judgement and therefore exempted himself from the proceedings.

Minister Turner did not feel his association would affect his judgment and was willing to proceed with the discussion.

2. Application for Dispensation under Paragraph 4 of Schedule II to the the Immigration Control Ordinance, 2011 – *** (GiC 07/2026)**

Governor in Council was asked to consider and advise:

- (a) whether to grant dispensation from the requirements of Paragraph 1 of Schedule II of the Immigration Ordinance, 2011 in the circumstances of the

applicant, and as provided for in Paragraph 4 of Schedule II of the Immigration Ordinance, 2011; and

- (b) In considering the grant of a Dispensation, whether Governor in Council was satisfied that:
- (i) The applicant has a substantial economic, social or historical connection with St Helena;
 - (ii) There are exceptional circumstances why strict compliance with the requirements should be dispensed with; and
 - (iii) It would be in the public interest to grant the dispensation.

Having reviewed all relevant information, the Council did not support the request for dispensation. Particular regard was given to the fact that the applicant's period of residence on St Helena falls significantly short of that ordinarily required under Schedule II of the Ordinance. The Council was not satisfied that the circumstances of the application justified the granting of a dispensation.

A letter has been sent to the applicant to inform them of the outcome.

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