



**St Helena
Government**

GOVERNMENT OF ST HELENA

**ELECTIONS OF CHAIRS
OF COUNCIL COMMITTEES –
STANDING ORDER 5(2)
OF THE LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL**

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**Chief Secretary Paper for Elections of Chairs of Council Committees – Standing
Order 5(2) of the Legislative Council**

1. Pursuant to Section 56(1) of the Constitution the Governor has constituted the following Committees:
 - Economic Development Committee;
 - Education & Employment Committee;
 - Environment & Natural Resources Committee;
 - Finance Committee;
 - Public Health Committee; and
 - Social & Community Development Committee.

2. Pursuant to Section 58(2) of the Constitution the Governor has assigned Council Committees functions and responsibilities as detailed below:

Economic Development Committee

Subject to relevant laws, and to policies of the Governor in Council, the Committee has policy responsibility for Government business concerning economic development, investment, tourism, agriculture, fisheries, labour market, communications (including media, telecommunications, postal services); shipping and port management and air access; and for policy relating to any legislation relevant to those subjects.

Education & Employment Committee

Subject to relevant laws, and to policies of the Governor in Council, the Committee has policy responsibility for Government business concerning education (including, specifically, schools, skills and lifelong learning) and employment; and for policy relating to any legislation relevant to those subjects.

Environment & Natural Resources Committee

Subject to relevant laws, and to policies of the Governor in Council, the Committee has policy responsibility for Government business concerning infrastructure (including utilities); environmental management; lands (including crown estate); land use planning and development control; and forestry; and for policy relating to any legislation relevant to those subjects.

Finance Committee

Subject to relevant laws, and to policies of the Governor in Council, the Committee appointed has policy responsibility for Government business concerning finance and audit; and for policy relating to any legislation relevant to those subjects.

Public Health Committee

Subject to relevant laws, and to policies of the Governor in Council, the Committee has policy responsibility for Government business concerning health (including health services, preventive health services, environmental health, and public health); disaster management; health and safety; and for policy relating to any legislation relevant to those subjects.

Social & Community Development Committee

Subject to relevant laws, and to policies of the Governor in Council, the Committee has policy responsibility for Government business concerning social security; social services; pensions; housing (including Government Landlord Housing); legal system (including the Constitution, Human Rights, and Immigration); civil society (including non-government organisations); community centres; culture and heritage; leisure, sports and recreation; and for policy relating to any legislation relevant to those subjects.

3. The following Chairmanships are vacant:

- Environment & Natural Resources Committee; and /
- Finance Committee.

