



The Government of Sark

FINANCE AND RESOURCES COMMITTEE  
&  
POLICY AND PERFORMANCE COMMITTEE

JOINT STATEMENT

IMPORTANT NOTICE

The Finance and Resources and Policy and Performance Committees wish to make it clear that the “Sark Referendum Commission” is a private initiative and has no connection to the Chief Pleas of Sark. In particular the Committees wish to stress that there is no legislative basis upon which to hold a referendum in Sark. This means there are no statutory rules on which to base the franchise, enable a suitable referendum question to be prepared, ensure a secret ballot or ensure fairness.

Accordingly, the proposed event can be at best a form of public opinion poll without legal standing or effect.

Date 21<sup>st</sup> June 2017

**END**

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