LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

THURSDAY 25 JULY 2024

PETITION

Petition from persons resident in the Falkland Islands, sponsored by the Honourable Roger Spink

Mr Speaker

I call upon the Honourable Roger Spink to lay the petition on the Table.

Roger Spink

Honourable Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, this petition is being presented on behalf of persons resident in the Falkland Islands. The petition has 2416 signatures of which 316 were spoilt/invalid.

> 185 Camp 1482 Stanley 717 MPC

32 undeclared/dual location.

Explanation.

Mr Speaker, Honourable Members, I move that the petition is:

- a) Read into the Record and
- b) That it be referred to a Select Committee comprised of all Elected Members of the Assembly.

Mr Speaker

May we have a seconder please?

Roberts

The Hon Leona I second the Motion.

Mr Speaker

In accordance with Standing Order 42(5) the Motion is to be put without debate, therefore, is there any objection to passing this Motion? There is no Objection, the Motion is carried.

A Select Committee shall be constituted to consider the Petition. It shall have a quorum of 6 Elected Members and be chaired by the Honourable Roger Spink, with a Vice-Chair being the Honourable Leona Roberts. The Committee shall determine its own procedures and shall hold its first meeting on 1st August 2024 at 10.00 am in the Court and Assembly Chambers. The Select Committee shall submit a report to the House on completion of its deliberations.

Clerk

A Petition to the Communication Regulator and The Honourable Members of the Legislative Assembly who are respectfully requested by the undersigned to take immediate steps to abolish the VSAT licence fee entirely or to reduce it to a proportionate level, not exceeding £180 per year.

We also call on the Communications Regulator to give regulatory approval for Starlink to offer domestic tariffs in the Falkland Islands rather than forcing people to rely on (more expensive) global roaming tariffs