**EXCO Meeting of 21 August 2012**

Today, 21 August, we had only one paper to consider and it was therefore a quite short meeting. The paper proposed amendments to the Dogs and Cats Ordinance and to the Agriculture and Livestock Improvement Ordinance. The amendments seek to allow for a dogs and cats census to be carried out and to significantly increase the penalties that may be applied for allowing free-ranging of goats and sheep on Crown land.

Today was the last scheduled session of EXCO to be attended by Councillor Tara Thomas before her resignation takes effect on 31 August. I joined Councillors in thanking Tara for her outstanding contribution as a Councillor and wished her every success with her studies in London.

**Mark Capes**

**Governor**