



## States Greffe

Deputy Mary Le Hegarat  
Minister for Justice and Home Affairs  
**BY EMAIL**

25<sup>th</sup> April 2024

Dear Minister,

### **Follow-up matters from the Public Hearing on 24<sup>th</sup> April 2024**

Thank you for attending the quarterly public hearing yesterday, together with your Officers, your time is much appreciated.

During the hearing the Panel was advised that further information could be provided about how the States of Jersey Police is incorporating public use of e-scooters into their road safety considerations. We would therefore be grateful if a further update could be provided to the Panel in this regard.

The Panel was also unable to complete its full list of questions during the time allocated for the hearing and you agreed that we could send these to you in writing. Please see below the remaining questions from the Panel:

1. Please can you advise how the States of Jersey Police has been impacted by the further delay to the Article 36 suite at Clinique Pinel?
  - a. What cross-Ministerial discussions have taken place about the facility and is there a suitable communication process between departments in relation to the progress of the Article 36 suite?
2. Please could you provide an update on the current status of the Combined Fire & Ambulance Station project, including the decision about the future location of the emergency services.
  - a. As the new Minister, please could you also provide the Panel with your assessment of the proposed replacement Combined Fire & Ambulance Station project?
3. The Panel notes that there have been recent property and budget transfers from Justice and Home Affairs to Infrastructure (as approved by Ministerial Decision [MD-TR-2024-162](#)). Please could you explain how this change will benefit the Justice and Home Affairs Department and confirm if the transfer was pre-planned prior to your tenure as Minister?
4. The Panel did a public call for questions and one member of the public suggested that there were staff shortages at H.M.P La Moye and that inmates were being kept in their cells for long periods of time. Are you able to address that point and advise whether there are any staffing or recruitment challenges for the Prison Service?

5. In your nomination speech to the States Assembly on the 30th of January, you stated that *"I do believe that the Firearms (Jersey) Law needs to be looked at"*. Please could you confirm if, or how, you intend to do this during your term as Minister, including details about the timeline for any work?
6. Please could you outline any plans you have to review or reform legislation relating to the use of fireworks?
7. Please could you outline your Ministerial input to the Government's draft Common Strategic Policy?
8. Please can you summarise your top priorities for the remainder of this electoral term and, if relevant, also advise if there are any other areas not already discussed with the Panel that you intend to focus on during your term of office?

Thank you in advance for your assistance. The Panel looks forward to your formal response and would request this is received by Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> May 2024.

Yours sincerely,



**Deputy Catherine Curtis**  
**Chair**  
**Children, Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel**