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Deputy Steve Luce
Minister for the Environment

BY EMAIL

13th June 2024

Dear Minister,

Quarterly Hearing – follow up

Thank you for your attendance at the Panel's Quarterly Hearing on 5th June. You will be aware that there were a number of questions which the Panel was unable to ask during the time allocated for the hearing and that these would be submitted in correspondence for your response.

Conservation areas and historic buildings

- 1. In October last year the States Assembly approved the regulations which provided the definitions needed to enable the designation of Conservation Areas as outlined in the Bridging Island Plan. Please could you update the Panel on the progress of the first designation pilot scheme at St Aubin?
- 2. Control over development in conservations areas required change to the General Development Order. How has this work been progressed?
- 3. Please detail any involvement you have had on the maintenance and preservation of the Lido at Havre des Pas?
- 4. What would be the best and most sustainable approach to maintaining the Havre des Pas Lido now and in the future?
- 5. What progress, if any, has been made on enabling the development of heritage at risk properties?
- 6. What would be the best way to ensure that these properties could be used rather than lying empty?
- 7. Do you have any intention to look at specific listed properties as ones which could be delisted. The Minister for Infrastructure, for instance, has suggested that he would like to explore this for the St Saviour's Hospital building.

Statutory Nuisance Law

1. Minister, please could you outline what work is being undertaken to update the Statutory Nuisance Law?

2. Are you satisfied that existing regulations provide sufficient and effective recourse for complainants?

Carbon Neutral Roadmap

- 1. What specific actions will you or have you been taking to support skills training for businesses to help them adapt their skill base to install green technology?
- 2. What conversations have been had to date with Highlands College and the Education Department?
- 3. In March, in an answer to a written question tabled on 4 March, the Chief Minister stated that the short-term incentives to move towards low carbon home heating and electric vehicle use would be 'partnered with a medium-term regulatory framework to continue to bring down emissions by transitioning out of fossil fuels'. Can you provide the Panel with more detail about this framework?
 - a. What will be delivered during this term of office?
- 4. Please could you update the Panel on the take up of the eBike and electric vehicle grants to date?
- 5. It was recently reported in R.91/2024 Road Traffic Collision and Casualty Update that cyclists and pedestrians face the highest risk of injury on Jersey's roads. Against this backdrop, how do you intend to find new ways to encourage islanders out of their cars?

The Panel would be grateful for your written response within five working days of receipt of this letter.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

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Chair, Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Panel