

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE CHIEF MINISTER  
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 25th NOVEMBER 2019**

**Question**

Will the Chief Minister provide a comprehensive list of all of the current Policy Boards, including details of the membership of each one and the budgets spent since inception, and advise what new Boards he plans to establish in the future?

**Answer**

As the Deputy will be aware, all Policy Development Boards have been established via a public Ministerial Decision which can be found on the Gov.je website:

<https://www.gov.je/Government/PolicyDevelopmentBoards/Pages/AboutPolicyDevelopmentBoards.aspx>

In addition to the Ministerial Decision, terms of reference for each Policy Development Board has been presented in a timely fashion when each new board is founded.

None of the Policy Development Boards were allocated funding at the time of their inception, however the Housing, Early Years and Island Identity Policy Development Boards have since applied successfully for funding for specific projects.

For clarity, there are currently seven Policy Development Boards –

- Early Years Policy Development Board
- Migration Policy Development Board
- Housing Policy Development Board
- Revenue Policy Development Board
- Island Identity and International Profile Policy Development Board
- Sports Facilities Strategy Policy Development Board

There are no additional Policy Development Boards planned at this stage.

The membership of each Board, budget spent to date, objectives and terms of reference are as follows:

**Early Years Policy Development Board**

**Objectives:**

To establish a shared strategic policy position across early-years, based on a consistent vision and set of agreed principles and outcomes that evidence improvements and progress.

To develop a regulatory framework to ensure all child care provision is of a high quality and offers a safe environment for children.

To outline approaches to developing an early-years learning framework that supports a shared pedagogy for early childhood education that is aligned to workforce development, home learning programmes, and the nursery education funding programme.

The Early Years Policy Development Board has a budget of £200,000 of which £6,255 has been spent to date. The Board has committed to spend an estimated £50,000 up to the end of 2019 for work that has been commissioned but not yet been invoiced.

**Chair:**

Senator Tracey Vallois (Minister for Education)

**Membership:**

Senator Sam Mézec (Minister for Children and Housing)

Deputy Jeremy Maçon (Assistant Minister for Education, Assistant Minister for Health and Social Services, Assistant Minister for Social Security)

Deputy Louise Doublet

[Documents establishing the terms of reference](#)

**Migration Policy Development Board****Objectives:**

To develop a set of comprehensive migration policy proposals which will deliver more responsive controls over who can come to live, work and access public services in Jersey. To propose improvements to consistency wherever practical and help to reduce the Island's reliance on inward migration.

This board does not have a budget.

**Chair:**

Connétable Chris Taylor (Assistant Chief Minister)

**Membership:**

Deputy Judy Martin (Minister for Social Security)

Deputy John Young (Minister for the Environment)

Senator Sarah Ferguson

Deputy Rowland Huelin

Dr. Michael Oliver (Lay Member)

Mr. Murray Norton (Lay Member)

Mr. John Shenton (Lay Member)

[Documents establishing the terms of reference](#)

**Housing Policy Development Board****Objectives:**

To examine the housing market in Jersey and to develop comprehensive proposals that improve supply, affordability, access to, and the standard of housing in the Island.

The Housing Policy Development Board has a budget of £97,850, which reflects the value of the contract with Altair in respect of expert support and advice it provides to the Housing Policy Development Board. £39,140 of this budget has been spent to date.

**Chair:**

Mr. Michael de la Haye

**Membership:**

Senator Sam Mézec (Minister for Children and Housing)

Deputy John Young (Minister for the Environment)

Deputy Kevin Lewis (Minister for Infrastructure)

Deputy Susie Pinel (Minister for Treasury and Resources)

Deputy Gregory Guida (Assistant Minister for the Environment, Assistant Minister for Home Affairs)

Deputy Lindsay Ash (Assistant Minister for Treasury and Resources)

Deputy Carina Alves

Connétable John Le Bailly

Mr. John Scally (Lay Member)

[Documents establishing the terms of reference](#)

**Revenue Policy Development Board**

**Objectives:**

To review and propose the long-term tax policy principles

To consider, in the event that additional revenue raising be required, policy options to materially increase revenues.

This board does not have a budget.

**Chair:**

Senator John Le Fondré (Chief Minister) & Deputy Susie Pinel (Minister for Treasury and Resources)

**Membership:**

Deputy Judy Martin (Minister for Social Security)

Deputy Gregory Guida (Assistant Minister for the Environment, Assistant Minister for Home Affairs)

Deputy David Johnson

Additional lay members may join the board in future following Ministerial approval.

[Documents establishing the terms of reference](#)

**Island Identity and International Profile Policy Development Board**

**Objectives:**

The Policy Board will:

Interrogate the various strands of what it means to be ‘Jersey’, from both an internal and external perspective.

Review historical events that have defined Jersey’s culture where appropriate

Examine problems in the way we perceive ourselves and barriers to cohesion

Identify opportunities to better define, coordinate and project a coherent and inclusive Island Identity.

The Board will work in a cooperative way with other Ministers, Departments and Policy Boards, appreciating that the solutions will often be cross-cutting and collaborative. It will also recognise the financial constraints to public spending, proposing policy options which are practical, innovative and low-cost.

The Policy Development Board currently has been allocated a budget of £25,000 however it is yet to spend any of this sum.

**Chair:**

Deputy Carolyn Labey (Minister for International Development, Assistant Chief Minister)

**Membership:**

Deputy Jeremy Maçon (Assistant Minister for Education, Assistant Minister for Health and Social Services, Assistant Minister for Social Security)

Deputy Carina Alves

Deputy Russell Labey

Tom Hughes (Lay Member)

Alexia McClure (Lay Member)

Jacqui Rutter (Lay Member)

Geraint Jennings (Lay Member)

Ben Shenton (Lay Member)

[Documents establishing the terms of reference](#)

**Sports Facilities Strategy Policy Development Board**

**Objectives:**

To provide political oversight of the development of a sports facilities strategy for the Island.

These proposals are to be considered for incorporation in, and delivery via, the Government Plan, the Island Plan 2021-2030, and other delivery strategies as appropriate.

This board does not have a budget.

**Chair:**

Senator Steve Pallett (Assistant Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture, Assistant Minister for Health and Social Services)

**Membership:**

Senator Lyndon Farnham (Deputy Chief Minister, Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport & Culture)

Senator Tracey Vallois, Minister for Education)

Connétable Chris Taylor (Assistant Chief Minister)

Deputy Gregory Guida (Assistant Minister for Environment)

Deputy Lindsay Ash (Assistant Minister for Treasury and Resources)

Deputy Hugh Raymond (Assistant Minister for Infrastructure)

[Documents establishing the terms of reference](#)

Officers have collated the above information as part of a wider, ongoing, project to publish a full list of all Ministerial Boards, with additional guidance to support good governance, which will be made publicly available in due course.

**Cost of Producing Answer**

As a means of giving an approximate indication to the time and cost of producing an answer to a written question, it has been decided that answers shall include a cost, broken down by civil service grade:

Civil Servant Grade 7 x 2 hours = £33.24

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