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Deputy Alex Curtis
Assistant Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture

BY EMAIL

3rd April 2023

Dear Assistant Minister,

Briefing on Digital Economy Strategy

The Panel was pleased to have received a briefing from yourself and officers within the Department of the Economy on 28th March regarding the Digital Economy Strategy.

The Panel found the briefing extremely informative however, we have some further questions to which we would be grateful if you could respond.

1. Is the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development definition of digital sector consistent with the New Economy dynamics, driven by technology, referenced in the Economic Council's [New Perspectives Report](#)?
2. Please outline the work with CYPRES that has informed the digital skills strategy to date?
3. Could you explain how the Government of Jersey is showing the community digital leadership and how it plans to improve it?
4. Is there a vision regarding working remotely for overseas companies using digital skills?
 - a) How might an increase in local homeworkers employed by overseas employers be expected to impact on economic growth potential?
5. Are changes to the Island's tax model contemplated to respond to the possible increase in local homeworkers employed by overseas employers?
6. How will the Digital Economy Strategy inform and affect the Future Economy Strategy?
7. With respect to Cyber Emergency Response Team should Europe be the Island's benchmark or are more technologically advanced jurisdictions preferable?
8. Could you provide definitions and clarification of the terms 'ethical opportunities' and 'data enabled' jurisdictions/environments?

9. How does Government inform the Key Performance Indicators of Digital Jersey, to what extent does Digital Jersey advise on these and how will the Digital Economy Strategy impact this process?
10. How will the Digital Economy Strategy impact and be influenced by the 2(1)(e) Policy for High Value Residents and assess barriers to future immigration of venture-capital backed tech founders into the Island?

We would be grateful if you could respond to this no later than 12th April in line with the 5 working days approved for responses between Scrutiny Panels and Ministers.

If you have any questions regarding this or our work in general, please do not hesitate to contact me. Please note that unless otherwise stated, all letters will be uploaded to the Scrutiny website as a matter of course.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Moz Scott". The signature is written in a cursive, slightly slanted style.

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