

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO
THE CHAIR OF THE PRIVILEGES AND PROCEDURES COMMITTEE
BY DEPUTY J.M. MAÇON OF ST. SAVIOUR
QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 14th FEBRUARY 2022
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 21st FEBRUARY 2022**

Question

“Further to the response to Written Question 12/2022, will the Chair explain –

- (a) why the Committee did not request advice from the Children’s Commissioner regarding ‘Amendment (No.54) to Standing Orders – Amendments to the Code of Conduct for elected members and related matters’ (P.1/2022); and
- (b) why this explanation was not provided in the response to Written Question 12/2022?”

Answer

- (a) The Standing Orders of the States of Jersey regulate proceedings of the States and the conduct of States Members in various respects. The Standing Orders do not have a direct effect on children, which is why the Committee did not request advice from the Children's Commissioner in drawing up changes to the Code of Conduct and related matters. The Deputy has requested that a Child Rights Impact Assessment be conducted in relation to P.1. This has been done by staff in the States Greffe and the conclusion of the exercise was that the proposals do not affect children to the extent required to reach the threshold for a full Child Rights Impact Assessment. The Committee has published this analysis alongside its amendment to P.1/2022.
- (b) The Committee is of the view that it gave a full answer to the Deputy's previous question. However, if the Committee misjudged the Deputy's question, the matter has now been rectified by the tabling of this further question.