WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HOME AFFAIRS BY DEPUTY M.R. LE HEGARAT OF ST. HELIER QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2021 ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 13TH DECEMBER 2021

Question

Will the Minister provide an update of the current status of the Prison! Me! No Way!!! Programme?

Answer

The Prison! Me! No Way!!! Programme is not currently operating.

Prison! Me! No Way!!! had previously been funded in Jersey from Building a Safer Society (BaSS) funding. The PMNW charity is UK-based and is still running but the Jersey scheme was paused pending review.

A series of workshops was run by Justice and Home Affairs and Children Young People Education & Skills (CYPES), with key stakeholders, to determine the future direction.

An advert is about to go live for a business analyst to scope out the new scheme with the work scheduled early in the new year with a view to getting the new scheme, in partnership with CYPES, up and running by September 2022.

This is one of 7 key objectives for JHA in 2022 and a commitment to this has been included accordingly in the draft 2022 Departmental Operational Business Plan.

This is an opportunity to build on the legacy of the excellent work of PMNW, and design something that really works for the island's young people, which is targeted to the island's needs.

I look forward to updating the Assembly further as the plans take shape.