

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT
BY THE CONNÉTABLE OF ST. MARTIN
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 2nd NOVEMBER 2020**

Question

Will the Minister provide a timetable for the publication of the final report on Island identity and the International Profile Policy, including a date for its presentation to the States Assembly?

Answer

In October 2019, the Chief Minister established a Policy Development Board to examine how Jersey's distinctive qualities and unique identity could be more systematically celebrated and utilised for the benefit of the Island and its inhabitants. I was appointed as Chair of the Board and convened a group of 12 Board Members of different ages and backgrounds.

Since then the Board has consulted a wide range of opinion about what might make our identity more coherent, inclusive and positive.

This exercise was delayed by the outbreak of the Covid-19 pandemic, which effected the Board's ability to meet and to conduct interviews. Nevertheless, by the summer of 2020 the Board decided it had reached a reasonable point to warrant writing up its work, and that further debate would be best stimulated by circulating a detailed summary of its interim findings to stakeholders. It was also presented to the Council of Ministers and fed into the Government Plan process.

The Board intends to create a website setting out the full report and findings, and to also publish a management summary report for further consultation and presentation to the States Assembly. It is hoped this will be delivered in early 2021.