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Dear Connetable John Le Maistre.

### Housing, Government Plan Review

Thank you for your letter of the 21<sup>st</sup> August 2019 requesting information on the draft Government Plan. Please accept my apologies for the delay in responding. I would also like to express my thanks to your panel for accommodating the change in date of the hearing due to me being off island.

It is my understanding that the Chief Minister has sent correspondence to the Chair of the Government Plan Review Panel outlining how he will provide supporting documents including the Council of Ministers' papers in a coordinated response; these documents should have been made available to you by now.

The stakeholder engagement for the projects, actions and capital programme areas have varied widely. The Housing Policy Development Board is engaging with a number of both internal and external stakeholders and I am very acutely aware of the outcome of this board will assist in other policy board which are currently running including that of the Migration and Population.

## **Projects**

The following projects allocated to your panel are within my portfolio:

- Housing PDB and long term plan (CSP4-2-01)
- Tenants' Rights (CSP4-2-02)

### **Actions**

I am heavily involved in the actions listed below, it is my understanding that the analysis of the links between actions and projects have been sent to you centrally.

- Publish the Housing Policy Development Board's Review
- Improve support and protection of tenants

• Extend the key worker accommodation scheme

## **Capital Programme area**

- North of St Helier Youth Centre
- Review of Greenfields

I can confirm that I have been involved in the capital projects listed above and received briefing from CYPES officers before the bids were submitted for potential inclusion into the Government Plan.

These capital programmes as with a number throughout the draft Government Plan incorporate collaborative working between other departments and Ministerial Portfolios, namely Education, and Home Affairs.

I can confirm that I have not been involved in the Rouge Bouillion site review.

If you require anything further to assist in the panels research please let me know, I look forward to meeting with you at the hearing on the 27<sup>th</sup> September 2019.

Yours sincerely

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