

# Minister for Home Affairs Justice and Home Affairs



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Chairman, Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel  
*By email only*

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Dear Chairman,

## **Draft Carbon Neutral Roadmap (CNR) Review – Written Questions**

Thank you for your letter of 17th March with a range of questions on the draft Carbon Neutral Roadmap (CNR) which I am happy to answer below.

### **Proposed Carbon Reduction Policies**

1. It is our understanding that the Minister for Home Affairs will have political accountability for the following proposed policy within the Carbon Neutral Roadmap
  - The Importation and Registration of Petrol and Diesel Vehicles that are new to the Island from 2030 (TR5)

#### **a) In light of this, what level of involvement/input have you or your department had to date regarding Carbon Neutral Roadmap workstream?**

Owing to my dual roles as the Minister for Home Affairs and Assistant Minister for the Environment, I have been the Chair of the Carbon Neutral Steering group so have had an integral role in the development of the policies within it.

The Jersey Customs and Immigration Service (JCIS) have been consulted and involved in the development of the relevant policies including the phase out of hydrocarbon vehicles and also the use of transition fuels.

#### **b) What level of involvement do you envisage the Minister for Home Affairs will have regarding the long-term delivery of the proposed policies within the Carbon Neutral Roadmap for which the Minister has responsibility?**

Beyond the areas for which the Minister has direct political accountability, I would expect the Minister to play a part in areas of policy development as appropriate in their role on the Council of Ministers and in collaborative working with policies that other Ministers lead on.

## Capacity and Resourcing

2. Should the Carbon Neutral Roadmap be approved by the Assembly, what consideration, if any, has been given to the workstreams that will be delivered by your department over the next four years, and its available capacity and resourcing to deliver the identified workstreams in a timely and efficient manner?
  - a) **Do you envisage any issues in that regard and, if so, how might the issues that you have identified be addressed?**

In developing the CNR, relevant departments have been involved in the policy design process as set out in the CNR. Where additional resource for the delivery plan is identified this is allocated within the Climate Emergency Fund for the period 2022-2025. The identification of future resource requirements will be developed through the financing strategy as set out in Strategic Policy 2.

I am confident that Home Affairs will have sufficient resources to deliver on any workstreams falling to them within the CNR.

### **b) How might competing priorities be addressed?**

As with resourcing, competing priorities do occur. Future competing priorities within the delivery of the CNR, will be dealt with through the appropriate Ministerial forums, such as the Council of Ministers.

## Long term Governance and Oversight for Delivery of the Roadmap

3. **Considering the impending involvement of your department regarding this workstream, in your view, how could governance, oversight and commitment in respect of the delivery of the Roadmap over the long term be improved, particularly as workstreams will impact both the private and public sectors, will depend on cross-department collaboration and will expand multiple Government terms?**

To ensure appropriate levels of governance, oversight, and commitment to the CNR over the long term, effective and efficient communication across government, business and society will be essential. The structures and processes we have used over the current term of government have, in my opinion, proved effective.

The CNR sets out a revised governance structure and proposes the establishment of a new ministerial portfolio for energy and climate change and standing Scrutiny committee. It will be the role of the future Chief Minister to set out this portfolio if the proposal is accepted. The portfolio will be managed in compliance with reporting and monitoring requirements and standards.

Yours sincerely,



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