WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES BY DEPUTY G.P. SOUTHERN OF ST. HELIER CENTRAL QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 19th FEBRUARY 2024 ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 26th FEBRUARY 2024

Question

"Further to the response to my question during <u>Questions Without Notice on 6th February 2024</u>, will the Minister advise whether he is now in receipt of sufficient information to consider the impact of the Health Access Scheme (HAS) on primary care and the potential for expansion of the HAS; and will he liaise with the Minister for Social Security to agree to the publication of the review of the HAS that has been carried out and, if not, why not?"

Answer

I have now had the opportunity to read the outcomes of the Review of the Health Access Scheme which was provided to me by the Minister for Social Security. In addition to this I have further briefings scheduled to ensure I gain a comprehensive understanding of the impact of the scheme on primary care.

The Minister Social Security has confirmed that she will be publishing the review outcomes in due course. Furthermore, moving forward the Minister and I intend to work collaboratively on all matters where our Ministerial portfolio's overlap to ensure the best possible outcomes for Islanders.