

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO
THE CHAIR OF THE PRIVILEGES AND PROCEDURES COMMITTEE
BY DEPUTY J.M. MAÇON OF ST. SAVIOUR
QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 14th FEBRUARY 2022
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 21st FEBRUARY 2022**

Question

“Will the Chair advise –

- (a) whether the Jersey Electoral Authority has decided how many hustings for each electoral district will be recorded and paid for centrally, in particular how many will be provided for St. Saviour in comparison with the 3 hustings that were provided in the Parish previously;
- (b) if no such decision has been taken, why not and when the decision will be made; and
- (c) whether the organisation of hustings will remain the responsibility of election candidates?”

Answer

- (a) The plans for the recording of hustings are subject to final approval by the Jersey Electoral Authority. It is expected that one filmed hustings event will be arranged for each of the 9 constituencies and also one for each of the 12 Parish districts. Historically these have been filmed physical events, usually at a Parish Hall. This year, however, the intention is to use the States Chamber to host an online hustings for each of the 9 constituencies for Deputies and each of the 12 Parishes for Constable. It is anticipated that candidates might still be keen to hold 'in person' hustings at the Parish Halls or other locations. If candidates in St Saviour or indeed any other constituency or Parish wish to run additional events, they are very welcome to do so, and the Jersey Electoral Authority will publicise when they are taking place via vote.je, but it will be a matter for candidates to plan and manage those events themselves and to meet the costs between them of any sound equipment or filming which may be required.
- (b) The decision has not yet been made as the Jersey Electoral Authority has only recently been formed.
- (c) Hustings are the responsibility of the candidates and participation is always optional