## WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR SOCIAL SECURITY BY DEPUTY G.P. SOUTHERN OF ST. HELIER CENTRAL QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 6th MARCH 2023 ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 13th MARCH 2023

## Question

"Given the approval by the previous Assembly of <u>P.32/2021</u>, regarding the need for regulation of zero-hour contracts, will the Minister advise -

- a) whether the estimated £50,000 funding allocated in the 2022-2025 Government Plan to undertake a review of workers' rights has been utilised, and if so, will she provide a breakdown of the spend;
- b) whether any further funding for this review has been allocated or utilised; and
- c) whether she will publish the report of the Jersey Employment Forum in relation to zero-hours contracts, and if not, why not; and if she does intend to publish the report, by what date?"

## Answer

- a) Although funding was made available for this project, it was not necessary to buy in external support and the work is being undertaken using the resources already available to the Employment Forum.
- b) No further funding for the review has been sought or allocated;
- c) The Minister's Delivery Plan for 2023 includes the following action:

MSS P1.4 100 Day Plan Action 5

Supporting workers through increases in the minimum wage and taking actions to improve their rights in 2023.

Complete the Zero Hour Contract review in Q1 and take actions as required from Q2 onwards.

The report of the Forum will be presented to the Minister by the end of Q1 and will be published by the Forum in the normal way. Actions following on from the review will then be scheduled from Q2 onwards.