

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE CHIEF MINISTER  
BY SENATOR B.E. SHENTON  
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 1st DECEMBER 2009**

**Question**

“Given that, on the 10th March 2009, the States adopted P.1/2009 ‘Voisinage and customary law - review’ which sought to review and investigate possible overlaps between customary law and statutory provisions and to make recommendations as appropriate, can the Chief Minister update the Assembly on the progress of this review and give an indication of when the findings may be published?”

**Answer**

In March of this year I wrote to the Chairman of the Law Commission to request that the Commission review the Law relating to Voisinage and make recommendations on how the issue should be progressed.

I have been informed by the Law Commission that a draft consultation paper for consideration by the Commission is nearing completion. Subject to that paper being discussed and agreed by the Commission, it will be published in the first half of next year.