

**STATEMENT TO BE MADE BY THE MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT  
ON TUESDAY 21ST JANUARY 2025**

**Minister for the Environment regarding the States of Jersey Complaints Board findings in R.143/2024.**

Members will have seen that I've presented a report in response to the States Complaints Board, relating to a hearing held in August 2024 regarding the handling of an application for a moveable structure, a marquee, at La Mare Vineyard, La Rue de la Hougue Mauger, St. Mary.

The Board's findings and recommendations have highlighted the need for service and process improvements in the Development and Land service, specifically in the manner that moveable structures applications are dealt with, and how information and advice is shared with service users.

I accept the Board's findings in section 5 of report for grounds a, b, c, and e. I have reviewed the Board's recommendations in section 6 and will act on them. Notably, I will include third-party appeal rights for permissions under Article 7 of the Planning and Building (Moveable Structures) (Jersey) Order 2006 in Article 108 of the Planning and Building (Jersey) Law 2002. The amendments will be part of the planning services reform programme.

I would like to apologise to the Complainant, and wish to thank the Board for the findings and recommendations. I am using this opportunity to confirm my commitment to work with the Development and Land management team and officers to deliver on the commitment I have made to improve and reform planning services for the benefit of the Island.