WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM, SPORT AND CULTURE BY DEPUTY R.J. WARD OF ST. HELIER ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 6th OCTOBER 2020

Question

Will the Minister state, in respect of the work of the Economic Council since its formation in July 2020 -

- (a) what recommendations have been made by the Council to date;
- (b) what actions, if any, have been taken based on these recommendations;
- (c) when the Council has met, and whether the minutes from these meetings have been published; and
- (d) whether it is the Minister's intention to ensure these minutes are accessible by the public?

Answer

- a) The Economic Council has not delivered its formal recommendations as yet. A report is being concluded by the Economic Council membership with a view to publication by the end of October 2020.
- b) The Economic Council will make recommendations which will subsequently be consideration by the Economic Recovery Political Oversight Group. A number of actions from the Government Plan 2020-23 remain relevant and will continue in the Government Plan 2021-24 that will be lodged shortly.
- c) The Economic Council has met on 8 occasions. A further meeting is scheduled for 21st October 2020 for the Economic Council to sign-off on their interim report and recommendations. Minutes for the Economic Council have not been published.
- d) There is no intention to publish the minutes of Economic Council meetings at this stage although they have been provided to Scrutiny. The report and recommendations will be published and will reflect the work undertaken to date.