WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE CHIEF MINISTER BY DEPUTY S.Y. MÉZEC OF ST. HELIER ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 31ST OCTOBER 2017

Question

What plans, if any, are there to introduce a Public Services Ombudsman, as recommended by the Clothier report and now within the Law Commission's Review on Administrative Justice?

Answer

The Jersey Law Commission published on 18th October 2017 its Report on *Improving Administrative Redress in Jersey* (Topic Report No. 1/2017/TR). The Report's recommendations cover a number of interlinked areas, including oversight of the administrative redress processes; the tribunal system, appeals and reviews to Ministers; the States of Jersey Complaints Panel; the establishment of a Jersey Public Services Ombudsman; the role of the Royal Court in the administrative justice system and judicial review; and, using alternative dispute resolution. The recommendations will need to be considered as a whole and it is hoped that an initial response to the Law Commission's Report will be provided by December 2017.

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