

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR CHILDREN AND FAMILIES
BY DEPUTY R.S. KOVACS OF ST. SAVIOUR
QUESTION SUBMITTED ON TUESDAY 27th MAY 2025
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 3rd JUNE 2025**

Question

“Further to the adoption of [P.28/2024](#), as amended, will the Minister provide the following regarding the evaluation and consultation process for making the Youth Service a statutory provision –

- (a) a copy of the scoping document outlining the process;
- (b) the current status of the process;
- (c) the identity of all stakeholders involved;
- (d) confirmation of those already consulted and details of the topics or aspects of their consultation;
and
- (e) the date the consultation process commenced or, if it has not commenced, explain why not and provide a date for its commencement?”

Answer

Only preliminary work has been undertaken at this stage, in the form of conversations, to evaluate the benefits and drawbacks of making the Youth Service a statutory provision. I welcomed Deputy Kovacs’ proposition in 2024 and was pleased that the [Amendment](#) was adopted, however, to ensure the swift progression of the delivery for a Youth Centre in St Helier, officers have needed to prioritise other workstreams for the time being.

I remain committed to bringing forward this piece of work and will closely review this workstream to meet the commitment of the Amendment (to come back to the Assembly in March 2026 with the outcome of this evaluation).