Submission received from Mr and Mrs Costard 29 November 2019

Dear Ms Hall,

We have just returned from a long business trip, and hope that we are still in time to make a submission against the proposed Public Health & Safety (Rented Dwellings) (Licensing) (Jersey) Regulations.

We own three tenanted properties in Jersey, and have just joined the Jersey Landlord's Association (JLA), as we feel it is important to have a "voice".

We agree 100% with the submissions already made by the JLA and the views reflected in their press release. We attended one of the so-called "consultation" meetings at the Town Hall back in June and were left fuming. Stewart Petrie's presentation was patronising to say the least, and completely nonconsultative. We are fed up with the way in which the States of Jersey so readily import ideas from the UK with scant regard for their impact on the economy and culture of the Island. The proposed licensing scheme would be a sledgehammer to crack a nut, and would effectively "punish" the majority of landlords who keep their properties in good order.

We urge the Panel to reject the proposed Regulations.

Yours sincerely,

Matthew and Sandra Costard