

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE CHIEF MINISTER
BY DEPUTY I. GARDINER OF ST. HELIER NORTH
QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 12th MAY 2025
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 19th MAY 2025**

Question

“Further to the response to [Oral Question 92/2024](#), will the Chief Minister provide the meeting dates, agendas, list of attendees, and details of any decisions taken for the following groups, along with details of what projects or actions were delivered in 2024 and what plans, if any, exist for 2025 for each group –

- (a) Older Persons Living Forum;
- (b) Older Persons Cluster;
- (c) ‘Ageing well’ Officer group;

and will he further provide detail on what mechanisms, if any, are used to coordinate the work of these groups, and if no mechanisms exist, explain why not?”

Answer

A) and B) The Older Persons Living Forum has absorbed the work of the previous Older Persons Cluster. The Forum includes representatives from, but not limited to, the following organisations

- Age Concern
- Dementia Jersey
- Stroke Association
- Call and Check
- Parkinson’s
- British Red Cross
- Meals on Wheels
- Good Companions
- Jersey Sport
- Mind Jersey

The Forum meets bi-monthly, and all meetings are minuted and can be found on the Government of Jersey website. This includes agenda items, attending organisations, outcomes and actions arising from meetings, which are already publicly available: [Older Persons Living Forum](#)

Agendas are prepared based on submissions from Forum members, who may submit any issue which they think is of sufficient interest and importance to the older persons of Jersey.

C) The ‘Ageing Well’ Officers group was a set of internal meetings conducted during 2023 and 2024 to:

- identify the risks and opportunities of an ageing demographic,
- to research how other international jurisdictions are addressing the issue, and
- to coordinate policy advice to the HAWAG+ Ministerial Group.

The HAWAG+ Ministerial Group, created to allow for discussions relating to wider population policy issues, including older persons, is a cross-Ministerial working group. This resulted in the articulation of the Ageing Well Roadmap in the Common Population Policy 2024 ([R-184-2024.pdf](#)), which set out the Government’s work across short- medium- and long-term actions.

Officials continue to co-ordinate policy agendas for HAWAG+, on a regular basis, including with the Older Persons Living Forum. There are no minutes of the officers group itself because these are simply planning meetings for HAWAG+. This remains an informal, but effective, mechanism to ensure coordination across portfolios.