

Chief Minister



Deputy Helen Miles, Deputy Inna Gardiner, Deputy Louise Doublet, Deputy Catherine Curtis, Deputy Hilary Jeune, Deputy Montfort Tadier,
Scrutiny Panel Chairs

By email

18th November 2024

Dear Chairs,

LEGISLATIVE PROGRAMME FOR 2025 AND 2026

Ahead of the debate on the proposed Budget 2025 - 2028, the Council of Ministers committed to providing an update on its Legislative Programme for 2025 and 2026.

The development of the Legislative Programme follows on from the work that we have been doing to prioritise the Government's work programme.

As I described at a previous hearing of the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel, Ministers were faced with an initial list of 129 potential legislative projects (compared to average actual delivery of closer to 50 per year). We have worked together to identify the 59 pieces of legislation we intend to lodge before January 2026 and the result is attached.

This Legislative Programme will remain responsive to events, flexing as necessary. The final version will be published after the Budget (giving opportunity for the impact of any budget Amendments to be considered). Each Minister would be happy to explain the rationale for their legislative priorities to the responsible Scrutiny Panels, and Panels will be kept informed of developments in the programme during the course of the year.

I trust having a clear programme is of assistance to Panels and Members.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lyndon Farnham".

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Annex

This section outlines the legislation to be lodged for debate by the States Assembly before the 2026 election. It does not include policy development and drafting for legislation to be lodged in later years, or business as usual Orders and Commencement Acts.

The Cabinet Office will continue to coordinate the legislative programme of Ministers, working alongside the Legislative Drafting Office and Law Officers' Department.

Chief Minister

Powers of Attorney (Jersey) Law 1995
Comptroller & Auditor General (Jersey) Law 2014
Control of Housing & Work Law Regulations

Minister for Children and Families

Regulations for independent advocacy
Children Amendment Rules & Civil Status Consequential Amendments

Minister for Education & Life Long Learning

Education (Grants and Allowances) (Jersey) Order 2018 Amendments
Review of Day Care of Children (Jersey) Law 2002

Minister for Environment

Amendments to the Regulation of Care (Jersey) Law 2014
Animal Welfare (Jersey) Law 2004
Trawling Netting Dredging Regulations
Amendments to the Planning and Building (Jersey) Law
Legislation to regulate the development of the offshore wind

Minister for External Relations

Consumer Protection Regime (Consumer lending)
Historical Tax Agreements
Intellectual Property Framework Reform (including Trademarks)
Financial Intelligence Unit legislation
Companies (Jersey) Law 1991
Crypto-Asset Reporting Framework
Common Reporting Standard – Version 2
Limited Partnerships (Jersey) Law 1994
Assistance in collection of UK Tax debts
Common Reporting Standard and Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act Regulations
Exchange of Tax Information – Regulations
Sanctions & Asset Freezing (Implementations of Existing Sanctions, Director Disqualification) Amendments

Minister for Health and Social Services

Capacity and Mental Health
Assisted Dying legislation
Adult Safeguarding Law – Adult Protection Orders
Professional Registration Law for Health and Social Care Professionals
Termination of Pregnancy legislation
Cultivation Regulations – Medical purposes and Advertising Order
Health Funding reform
Public Health Law
Medicines Manufacturing Licensing Regime Regulations

Minister for Housing

Residential Tenancy (Jersey) Law

Minister for Infrastructure

Highways (Jersey) Law 1956 – Amendment for election matters
Legislation to improve access to information relating to energy resilience

Minister for Justice and Home Affairs

Draft Criminal Justice (Young Offenders in Secure Accommodation) Jersey Amendment Law
Matrimonial Causes (Jersey) 1949 and Civil Partnership (Jersey) Law 2012 reform
Police (Complaints and Conduct) (Jersey) Regulations
Violence against women and girls – Emergency Barring Orders in the Domestic Abuse (Jersey) Law 2022
Violence against women and girls – Non-fatal Strangulation and suffocation
Violence against women and girls – Stalking Law
Violence against women and girls – Online offences
Violence against women and girls – Sexual harassment in public

Minister for Social Security

Long Term Care (Jersey) Law 2012 – legal framework to establish rates for domiciliary care
Long Term Incapacity Allowance – update benefit legislation to support the major IT benefits project (Transform), including replacement of current LTIA rules
Employment (Jersey) Law 2003 – improvements to include whistleblowing protection
Social Security (Jersey) Law 1974 – review working age eligibility rules
Social Security (Jersey) Law 1974 & Social Security Bonus (Jersey) Law 2014 – review pensioner benefit eligibility rules

Minister for Sustainable Economic Development

Heritage (Jersey) Law
Licensing Law 1978 Amendments
Competitions (Jersey) Law 2005 Amendments
Agriculture (Loans & Guarantees) (Jersey) Law 1974

Minister for Treasury and Resources

Public Finances (Jersey) Law 2019 – role of Fiscal Policy Panel
Multinational Taxation (Global Anti-base Erosion) (Jersey) Law – Interest
Multinational Taxation (Global Anti-base Erosion) (Jersey) Law – De Minimus
Finance (2026) (Jersey) Law – the Budget
Refundable Tax Credits

Non-Ministerial

Electoral Registration Jersey Regulations (Automatic Registration)
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