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By email

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Dear Chair.

Estate Agents legislation

As you will be aware, the government has been working to introduce a statutory requirement for Estate Agents to be required to be a member of an Approved Redress Scheme.

Law drafting instructions were submitted and shared with the Panel on 20th September 2024 to bring forward these changes via an amendment to the Consumer Protection (Unfair Practices) (Jersey) Law 2018.

My purpose in writing is to notify the Panel that we have been advised by the Legislative Drafting Office of a change in the timeline for the completion of this legislation from December 2024.

It is now anticipated that Law Drafting will be completed in early 2025 and that a targeted stakeholder consultation will then follow in Q1 2025. Following this, I hope to lodge the proposed Regulations in time for them to be debated by the Assembly in Q3 2025.

I regret that this timetable is longer than had initially been proposed but appreciate the limited resources of the Legislative Drafting Office and the necessity to engage closely with industry to ensure a smooth transition to the new standards.

Should the Panel wish to receive a briefing on these changes or on the revised timeline, I would be happy to arrange this at your convenience.

Yours sincerely,

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