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BY EMAIL

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Dear Inspector Turnbull

Parishes and Government Review Panel – Meeting

I am writing in relation to a Scrutiny Review Panel which has been established to examine the relationship between the Parishes and the Government of Jersey. The primary focus of the review is to evaluate how effectively the Parishes and the Government collaborate in delivering community services and in implementing shared key strategies and policies.

The Panel comprises myself as Chair, Deputy Catherine Curtis as Vice-Chair, Deputy Kristina Moore as a member, and Connétable Richard Honeycombe as a member. We have agreed Terms of Reference to guide our review, which are appended to this letter (Appendix 1).

As you will see in the Terms of Reference, part of the Panel's remit includes consideration of the Honorary Police system. The Panel would welcome the opportunity to meet with the Community Policing Team in order to discuss the Panel's work and to better understand how the Team engages with the Parishes and the Honorary Police.

Please let me know if this would be possible and whether there might be a suitable date or opportunity available.

Thank you in advance for your engagement with this review. Should you have any questions or require further clarification, please feel free to get in touch.

Yours sincerely

Deputy Helen Miles
**Chair,
Parishes and Government Review Panel**

CC – Mr Robin Smith, Chief Officer, States of Jersey Police
Minister for Justice and Home Affairs

Appendix 1

Parishes and Government Review Panel - Terms of Reference

1. To examine and document the current relationship between the civic functions and services provided by the parish and government administration.
2. To consider how the government and parishes work collaboratively to deliver timely and effective community services. This includes but is not limited to:
 - a. Refuse and Recycling
 - b. Parks and Gardens
 - c. Play spaces
 - d. Honorary Policing
3. To explore the ways in which government engages and interacts with the parishes in order to deliver on its key strategies and policies (i.e. putting children first, carbon neutral roadmap, community safety, health prevention, reducing bureaucracy).
4. To review the administrative functions currently being delivered by the parishes and to consider whether different mechanisms might be needed to meet modern requirements for satisfactory interaction with relevant government functions. This will include but is not limited to:
 - a. Firearms certificates
 - b. Alcohol licensing
 - c. Administration and policing of roads, parks and beaches
 - d. Role of parish in the planning application process
5. To understand how the current system of rates operates and is being applied. To assess whether there is a role for the government in ensuring that each parish applies a transparent and sustainable model and a common methodology which acts in the best interests of all islanders.