



| States Assembly

Children, Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Records of Meetings

2024

The following records of meetings have been approved by the Panel.

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Chair

Deputy Catherine Curtis

États de Jersey



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Children, Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Meeting held by electronic mail

Date: 11th January 2024

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| Present | Deputy Catherine Curtis, Chair Connétable Mark Labey, Vice-Chair |
| Absent | Deputy Beatriz Porée, Member |
| In attendance | Katherine de Carteret, Committee and Panel Officer |

| Agenda matter | Action |
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| <p>1. Electronic meeting: Draft Crime (Public Order) (Jersey) Law 202-</p> <p>The Panel considered and approved its draft comments paper on the Draft Crime (Public Order) (Jersey) Law 202- (P.97/2023).</p> <p>The Panel approved that its comments paper be submitted for presentation to the States Assembly and asked the officer to make relevant arrangements.</p> | |

Children, Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 22nd January 2024

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| Present | Deputy Catherine Curtis, Chair Connétable Mark Labey, Vice-Chair Deputy Beatriz Porée, Member |
| In attendance | Katherine de Carteret, Committee and Panel Officer Joseph Brannigan, Research and Project Officer Katie Bastiman, Communications Officer (Item 3 only) |

| Agenda matter | Action |
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| 1. Records of Meetings The Panel noted and approved the records of the meetings held on 21st and 27th November, and 4th and 18th December 2023. | |
| 2. Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for Justice and Home Affairs The Panel noted it had been due to receive Minister for Justice and Home Affairs for its first Quarterly Hearing of the year on 24 th January 2024. Following the States Assembly's approval of the Vote of No Confidence: Chief Minister (P.1/2024), the hearing had been cancelled. The Panel agreed to review all its arranged 2024 quarterly hearing dates at the earliest opportunity, following the appointment of incoming Ministers. | |
| 3. Briefing: Inclusive language and the LGBTQ+ community The Panel received a presentation and briefing on 'Inclusive language and the LGBTQ+ community' from the Communications Officer. It was noted that the information provided by the briefing might be particularly useful in the context of the Panel's review of the Draft Children and Civil Status (Amendments) (Jersey) Law 202-. The Panel was provided with information and some brief context to highlight the importance of choosing inclusive language when referring to the LGBTQ+ community and, briefly, how the use of language had changed for that community over time. The Panel had the opportunity to ask questions and it was confirmed that the Communications Officer would be happy to assist with any queries in future. It was confirmed that a copy of the presentation would be shared with the Panel via Teams after the briefing, for future reference. The Panel thanked the Communications Officer, and she left the meeting. | |

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| <p>4. Draft Children and Civil Status (Amendments) (Jersey) Law 202- (P.104/2023)</p> <p>The Panel discussed the current status of its review of the Draft Children and Civil Status (Amendments) (Jersey) Law 202- (P.104/2023).</p> <p>The Panel noted that, following the approval of P.1/2024, the Assistant Minister for Children and Education had asked the Chair whether the Panel would consider withdrawing its review of P.104/2023, so that the Assembly could consider a shortened lodging period. On Wednesday 17th January 2024, the Chair consulted with the Panel members and subsequently contacted the Assistant Minister by email to confirm that the Panel would continue with its review.</p> <p>Whilst the Panel noted its sympathy with the potential for further delay to the debate, it was agreed that the objective approach was to ensure that the Panel fulfilled its obligation to undertake legislative scrutiny.</p> <p>The Panel noted that the evidence gathering stage could continue to collect evidence from external stakeholders in period of time before a new Council of Ministers was formed, however, the Panel agreed that it would not send its review-based queries to the Minister for Children and Education or Assistant Minister until the future incumbent(s) of the post were confirmed.</p> <p>The Panel noted that, to date, it had received 2 submissions from members of the public responding to its open call for evidence. The Panel referenced some negative comments posted on the social media promotions of its review, but that this viewpoint had not been reflected in the formal submissions to the review to date.</p> <p>The Panel requested that its officers send follow up correspondence by email to the targeted stakeholders who had not responded by the initial deadline (24th January 2024) in order to ascertain whether they would be providing a submission.</p> <p>The Panel agreed that it would appraise its planned review timeframe and agree the next steps at its meeting on 12th February 2024.</p> | <p>KdC / JB</p> |
| <p>5. Draft Children and Young People (Jersey) Commencement Act 202- (P.2/2024)</p> <p>The Panel discussed the lodging of P.2/2024 and noted a brief history of the scrutiny undertaken on the Draft Children and Young People (Jersey) Law to date. The Panel agreed to invite the Minister for Children and Education to a briefing, in due course, to discuss any outstanding queries that the Panel had ahead of the debate of P.2/2024.</p> <p>Officers undertook to draft a briefing paper for the Panel with some further details about the background and context relevant to P.2/2024.</p> | <p>KdC / JB</p> |
| <p>6. Scrutiny Review: Secondary Education Funding</p> <p>The Panel discussed the next steps of its review and noted that it planned to take it forward without the support of an expert advisor.</p> <p>The Panel had sought quotes from external providers to help with the analysis of its survey responses. The Panel agreed that it would not be appropriate to take forward this work or submit approval requests to the Scrutiny Liaison Committee (SLC) for changes to the funding approval until after the new Council of Ministers was appointed (and any resulting changes to the SLC had been made as a consequence).</p> | <p>KdC/ JB</p> |

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| <p>The Panel instructed officers to contact the targeted stakeholders to follow up on engagement with the review.</p> | |
| <p>7. Feedback on the Draft Children and Families’ Plan 2024-2027</p> <p>The Panel discussed the Draft Children and Families’ Plan 2024-2027 (the ‘draft Plan’), which it had been sent to the Panel at the request of the Minister for Children and Education on 11th January 2024 for its comments as part of an initial review. Feedback was requested to be provided by 22nd January 2024.</p> <p>The Panel agreed that it would not be appropriate to provide political feedback to Government at this juncture following the Vote of No Confidence: Chief Minister (P.1/2024), whilst there was no Council of Ministers in place.</p> <p>The Panel instructed officers to convey this feedback to the relevant Government Officer but requested that, if possible, it be included as a consultee at the next stage of the drafting process, whether this be through a briefing or the opportunity to provide its comments on the next version of the draft Plan.</p> | <p>KdC</p> |
| <p>8. States Business</p> <p>The Panel noted the recent Letters, Reports and Ministerial Decisions that had been shared with the Panel and added to its Microsoft Teams folder since the previous meeting.</p> <p>The Panel noted the recent vote of no confidence in the Chief Minister and the impact it had on the Panels work in the near term.</p> <p>The Panel noted that the debate on the ‘Draft Crime (Public Order) (Jersey) Law 202-‘(P.97/2023) had been deferred by the Minister for Justice and Home Affairs on Wednesday 17th January 2024. The Panel had submitted a comments paper on the proposition but had highlighted in that paper that it had not had time to review the Child Rights Impact Assessment (CRIA) prior to the debate. The Panel noted that the relevant CRIA had since been presented as an addendum to the proposition and noted that it could therefore consider this in more detail before the debate. The Panel agreed to consider whether it had any further comments on the CRIA related to P.97/2023.</p> | |
| <p>9. Work programme</p> <p>The Panel noted its planned work programme, but acknowledged that it was subject to change, depending on the forthcoming decisions made in the States Assembly.</p> | |
| <p>10. Any Other Business</p> <p>The Panel noted the following matters:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • School uniform vendor JSSK was to close. The school uniform policy change that limits the number of compulsory bespoke items in schools was cited as a factor in this decision. • The Panel considered inviting the All Matters Neurodiverse Jersey Chair in for a meeting to discuss neurodiverse support available in Jersey. • The Panel noted that the Bailiff had introduced new guidance to support children and young people appearing in court. The Panel noted that it had not seen the guidance in advance, as it was not issued through a Ministerial department. • The Panel noted that the 2023 BeHeard Survey results for Government of Jersey Departments had been published and that the CYPES Department | |

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| <p>had received an index score below the public sector average. The Panel agreed to make some further enquiries about the results in due course.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Panel noted that a member of the public who had contacted the Chair with concerns in relation to the CYPES Department had been signposted towards the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel's Follow-up review of People and Culture. | |
| <p>11. Future Meetings</p> <p>The Panel noted that its next scheduled meeting was due to take place at 9:00am on Monday 12th February 2024 in Le Capelain Room, States Building.</p> | |

Children, Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 12th February 2024

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| Present | Deputy Catherine Curtis, Chair Connétable Mark Labey, Vice-Chair Deputy Beatriz Porée, Member |
| In attendance | Katherine de Carteret, Committee and Panel Officer Joseph Brannigan, Research and Project Officer |

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| <p>1. Records of Meetings</p> <p>The Panel noted its approval of records of meetings held on 11th and 22nd January 2024 electronically prior to the meeting.</p> | |
| <p>2. Schedule of Quarterly Hearings for 2024</p> <p>The Panel's noted a number of changes that had been made to the schedule of quarterly Public Hearing dates for 2024 following the change of Government and confirmation of new Ministers. It was noted that the Government had publicised its intention to change the Minister for Children and Education role into two Ministries, namely, a 'Minister for Children and Families' and a 'Minister for Education and Lifelong Learning'. The current Minister for Children and Education would become the Minister for Children and Families and an election would be held to appoint the Minister for Education and Lifelong Learning in due course.</p> <p>The Panel noted its intent to utilise the Public Hearing dates it had arranged with the Minister for Children and Education for the Public Hearings with the Minister for Children and Families. Dates for separate Hearings with the Minister for Education and Lifelong Learning would be arranged in due course, once appointed.</p> <p>The Panel discussed question areas for its next Public Hearings with the Minister for Children and Education on 7th March 2024 (with the anticipation that this would be focused on the Children and Families remit) and the Minister for Justice and Home Affairs (24th April 2024).</p> <p>The Panel noted that the Prison Governor had been invited to attend its next Public Hearing with the Minister for Justice and Home Affairs on 24th April 2024. The Panel agreed to review the question plan, which had been prepared for its cancelled Public Hearing on 24th January 2024, and to adapt questions accordingly for the new Minister.</p> | KdC / JB |
| <p>3. Draft Children and Civil Status (Amendments) (Jersey) Law 202-(P.104/2023)</p> <p>The Panel noted the content of a briefing paper and received an update from the Committee and Panel Officer on the status of the Scrutiny review of the Draft Children and Civil Status (Amendments) (Jersey) Law 202- (P.104/2023) (the 'Review'). The Panel also noted the correspondence log, which included details of the submissions</p> | |

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received to date. The Chair undertook to directly contact a key stakeholder who had yet to respond to the Panel's correspondence.

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The Panel discussed timings for the Review, which had been impacted by the change of Government and uncertainty over whether Panel membership would change. The Proposition was currently listed on the States Assembly Order Paper for 19th March 2024.

The Panel also discussed whether it wanted to call the Minister for Children and Education, or invite other stakeholders, to Hearings to gather further evidence for the Review. The Committee and Panel Officer advised that, if the Panel was minded to do this, it would be necessary to hold any Hearings the week commencing 19th February at the latest, in order to produce written output for the Review in advance of the States Assembly sitting on 19th March 2024. It was highlighted that this timing would be challenging and, if the Panel did want to hold a Hearing, it should be prepared to further discuss the debate date with the Minister and, if necessary, formally call the Proposition in for further scrutiny on 19th March 2024.

The Panel noted its electronic approval of a letter to the Minister for Children and Education on 7th February 2024. The Minister's response was expected to be received on 14th February 2024; however, the Panel had been notified that responses to a small number of the questions would follow on 23rd February (due to some key officer absence during half term). The Panel acknowledged that its letter had been lengthy and was content with this approach.

The Panel discussed some of the matters which had been highlighted to it in submissions to the Review so far. One of the themes of submissions received from the members of the public had been about delays in progressing the legislation which would support the rights of same-sex parents and the problems and challenges that this was causing for local families.

The Panel discussed the merits of collecting further evidence for its Review through a Hearing but was mindful that a further delay for the debate of the Proposition would be a minimum of 4 weeks, as the Assembly sitting after 19th March was 16th April 2024 (after Easter holidays).

The Panel had not collected any evidence to date that raised specific concerns about the draft Proposition, and it was hoped that the Minister's written response would capture information on some of the outstanding queries.

The Panel agreed that, at this time, it would not schedule Public Hearings for the review and would not ask the Minister to agree to a further deferral of the debate. The Panel agreed that it would work to complete its Review and publish written output during the week commencing 11th March 2024.

The Panel agreed that it would present its Review findings in a Scrutiny Report, if possible, but agreed that a Comments Paper would be acceptable if a report could not be completed in the required deadline.

4. Draft Children and Young People (Jersey) Commencement Act 202- (P.2/2024)

The Panel noted and discussed a briefing paper prepared by its officers in respect of the Draft Children and Young People (Jersey) Commencement Act 202- (P.2/2024).

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| <p>The Panel then reviewed and approved, subject to minor amendments, a draft letter to the Minister for Children and Education in respect of P.2/2024.</p> | <p>KdC</p> |
| <p>5. Secondary Education Funding Review</p> <p>The Panel noted a briefing paper with updates on the Secondary Education Funding Review. The next steps were discussed, and it was agreed to secure services of a third party to undertake the analysis of the survey responses from the original expert advisor funding.</p> <p>The Panel agreed to provide a notification to the Scrutiny Liaison Committee (SLC) of a budget reduction in due course.</p> <p>The Panel reiterated its desire to progress with the review at the earliest opportunity.</p> | <p>KdC / JB</p> |
| <p>6. States Business</p> <p>The Panel noted the recent Letters, Reports, and Ministerial Decisions that had been shared with the Panel and added to its Microsoft Teams folder since the previous meeting.</p> <p>The Panel also noted the appointment of new Ministers and Assistant Ministers in the States Assembly and other recent changes to Scrutiny Panels, which would also impact the Scrutiny Liaison Committee.</p> | |
| <p>7. Work Programme</p> <p>The Panel noted its planned work programme for 2024 and provided a number of suggested updates to officers.</p> <p>The Panel requested that officers arrange visits to primary schools in relation to its interest in the progress of the school meals programme.</p> | <p>KdC</p> |
| <p>8. Any Other Business</p> <p>The Panel discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Assigning delegated topic areas to different Panel Members to act as the Panel's spokesperson. The Panel agreed to consider this further before agreeing delegations. • The UK Online Safety Bill and considered its impact on children and queried its impact on Jersey. The Panel asked its officers to prepare a briefing paper in this regard for discussion at its next meeting on 4th March 2024. • The Government's intention to nominate Deputy Rob Ward as the Minister for Education and Lifelong Learning. Deputy Ward was a member of the 'Reform Jersey' Political Party, as were Deputies Curtis and Porée. If Deputy Ward's election as Minister was approved by the Assembly, the officer confirmed that the political party connection was not considered to be a conflict or a restriction on the role of the Scrutiny Panel and referenced that scrutiny from members within the same political party was standard in other jurisdictions. As ever, all elected members would need to abide by the Standing Orders of the Assembly and the relevant Codes of Practice (for Scrutiny Panels / Ministers / Engagement). The Panel noted the importance of impartiality and objectivity in Panel proceedings. | <p>KdC/ JB</p> |

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| 9. Future Meetings | |
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| To note that the Panel's next scheduled private meeting will take place at 9.00 am on Monday 4th March 2024 in Le Capelain Room, States Building. | |
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| Connétable Labey provided his apologies for the next meeting. | |
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Children, Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 4th March 2024

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| Present | Deputy Catherine Curtis, Chair Deputy Beatriz Porée, Member |
| Apologies | Connétable Mark Labey, Vice-Chair |
| In attendance | Katherine de Carteret, Committee and Panel Officer Joseph Brannigan, Research and Project Officer |

| Agenda matter | Action |
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| 1. Records of Meetings The Panel approved the record of the meeting held on 12th January 2024. | |
| 2. Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for Children and Families The Panel reviewed and approved the question plan for its next Public Hearing with the Minister for Children and Families on 7th March 2024. The Panel asked Officers to include a small number of additional questions and to make a number of minor amendments before sharing an updated version on Teams. | KdC |
| 3. Draft Children and Civil Status (Amendments) (Jersey) Law 202- (P.104/2023) The Panel reviewed its draft report for the review of the Draft Children and Civil Status (Amendments) (Jersey) Law 202- (P.104/2023) (the 'draft Report'). The Panel noted that the draft Report had been circulated on Teams the previous week and that Connétable Labey had acknowledged receipt and been provided with the opportunity to provide feedback electronically. The Panel discussed queries with the Committee and Panel Officer and made a number of minor comments and suggestions for change. The Panel approved the draft findings and recommendations, subject to the discussed amendments. The Panel requested that the relevant sections of the draft Report be circulated to stakeholders for factual checking. The Panel then discussed the proposed timeline for the final approval and publication of the draft Report. The Panel requested that a meeting be scheduled for 10am on Monday 11 th March 2024 to discuss any feedback received from the fact checking process and, if thought fit, to approve the final report for publication. | KdC / JB |
| 4. Draft Children and Young People (Jersey) Commencement Act 202- (P.2/2024) The Panel noted receipt of a letter from the Minister for Children and Education on 20 th February 2023 in respect of the Draft Children and Young People (Jersey) Commencement Act 202- (the 'Commencement Act'). | |

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| <p>The Panel noted that it had requested a comments paper be drafted in respect of the Commencement Act and received an update on its status from the Committee and Panel Officer.</p> | |
| <p>5. Secondary Education Funding Review</p> <p>The Committee and Panel Officer advised the Panel that there was no update or progress with the Panel's Secondary Education Funding Review due to other current workload.</p> | |
| <p>6. Briefing Document: The United Kingdom's Online Safety Act 2023</p> <p>The Panel reviewed and discussed a briefing paper on the UK Online Safety Act prepared by the Panel's Officers.</p> <p>The Panel asked Officers to make arrangements to publish the briefing paper.</p> | <p>KdC / JB</p> |
| <p>7. States Business</p> <p>The Panel noted the recent Letters, Reports, and Ministerial Decisions that had been shared with the Panel and added to its Microsoft Teams folder since the previous meeting.</p> <p>The Panel asked Officers to check how the schedule of questions without notice would be impacted by the introduction of a new Minister.</p> | <p>JB</p> |
| <p>8. Work Programme</p> <p>The Panel noted its planned work programme for 2024 and provided a number of suggested updates to Officers including that 'Online Safety', as discussed in the previous item of these minutes, should be highlighted as a potential cross-panel area of work (in conjunction with the Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel).</p> <p>The Panel also noted receipt of a letter from the Minister for Education and Lifelong Learning on 22nd February 2024 in response to its queries about Student Finance and Higher Education.</p> | <p>CDCs</p> |
| <p>9. Any Other Business</p> <p>Areas discussed were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The Committee and Panel Officer advised that other newly constituted Scrutiny Panels would be exploring opportunities for training and visits and confirmed that the Panel could join these, if desired. Further information would be provided in due course, but the Panel were encouraged to advise officers of their areas of interest further training. • The Panel requested that its officers follow up the request for visits to see the delivery of Primary School meals at local schools. • The Panel requested a visit be arranged to learn about the Jersey Library Service. • Queries were made about the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board (CICB), specifically regarding remuneration of members. The Panel asked its Officers to research the CICB and provide more information, if possible. • Queries were made about the Children & Young People's Placement Panel (CYPPP). The Panel asked its Officers to research the CYPPP and provide more information, if possible. • At the Panel's Quarterly Hearing in December the Minister for Children and Education confirmed that a pay supplement was being provided to | <p>KdC/ JB</p> |

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| substantive Children's Social Workers in Jersey. The Panel included a possible query on this area to its question plan for 7 th March, however, asked Officers to research this further after the hearing. | |
| 10. Future Meetings To note that the Panel's next private meeting will take place at 10.00am on Monday 11th March 2024 in Le Capelain Room, States Building. | |

Children, Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 11th March 2024

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| Present | Deputy Catherine Curtis, Chair Deputy Beatriz Porée, Member |
| Apologies | Connétable Mark Labey, Vice-Chair |
| In attendance | Katherine de Carteret, Committee and Panel Officer Joseph Brannigan, Research and Project Officer |

| Agenda matter | Action |
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| <p>1. Draft Children and Civil Status (Amendments) (Jersey) Law 202-(P.104/2023)</p> <p>The Panel reviewed its draft report for the review of the Draft Children and Civil Status (Amendments) (Jersey) Law 202- (P.104/2023) (the 'review report').</p> <p>The officer provided the Panel with an overview of all the factchecking responses received from stakeholders and the Panel approved several minor amendments and clarifications.</p> <p>Subject to the suggested amendments accepted during the factchecking process, the Panel noted and approved its review report. It was noted that a summary of the review report would also be shared in a digital version on publication of the final review report. The digital version would be sent to the Chair for approval.</p> <p>The Panel requested that its review report be publicised through social media and a press release.</p> | KdC |
| <p>2. Future Meetings</p> <p>The Panel noted its next private meeting would take place at 9.00am on Monday 18th March 2024 in Le Capelain Room, States Building.</p> | |

Children, Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 13th March 2024

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| Present | Deputy Catherine Curtis, Chair Connétable Mark Labey, Vice-Chair Deputy Beatriz Porée, Member (online, via Teams) |
| In attendance | Andrew Heaven, Head of Policy, Cabinet Office Natalie Kemp Senior Policy Officer, Cabinet Office Katherine de Carteret, Committee and Panel Officer Joseph Brannigan, Research and Project Officer |

| Agenda matter | Action |
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| <p>1. Briefing: Draft Children and Families Plan</p> <p>The Panel received Officers for a private briefing about the Draft Children and Families Plan.</p> <p>This meeting was held in private in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended) under Qualified Exemption Article 35 and a private record was taken.</p> | |

Children, Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Meeting held by electronic mail

Date: 15th March 2024

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| Present | Deputy Catherine Curtis, Chair Connétable Mark Labey, Vice-Chair Deputy Beatriz Porée, Member |
| In attendance | Katherine de Carteret, Committee and Panel Officer |

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| 1. Electronic meeting: Draft Children and Young People (Jersey) Commencement Act 202- (P.2/2024) The Panel considered and approved its draft comments paper on the Draft Children and Young People (Jersey) Commencement Act 202- (P.2/2024). The Panel approved that its comments paper be submitted for presentation to the States Assembly and asked the officer to make relevant arrangements. | KdC |

Children, Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 18th March 2024

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| Present | Deputy Catherine Curtis, Chair Connétable Mark Labey, Vice-Chair Deputy Beatriz Porée, Member |
| In attendance | Katherine de Carteret, Committee and Panel Officer |

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| 1. Records of Meetings The Panel approved the record of the meeting held on 4 th March 2024. | |
| 2. Quarterly Hearings The Panel noted that it was due to receive the Minister for Justice and Home Affairs (MJHA) for a quarterly public hearing on Wednesday 24 th April 2024. The Panel discussed subject areas and questions to ask the MJHA and requested that the officer put them into a consolidated question plan for the Panel to review and, if thought fit, approve at its meeting on 15 th April 2024. The Panel noted that it had previously made arrangements for the Prison Governor to attend the Panel's public hearing in April. However, on review of the topics it wished to prioritise for its question plan, following the change of Minister in post, the Panel decided that it would defer the invitation at this time and asked the officer to convey the message accordingly, with its thanks for the original agreement to attend. The Panel noted that quarterly hearings had been agreed with the Minister for Education and Lifelong Learning (MELL) on the following dates: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Thursday 25th April 2024;• Thursday 19th September 2024; and• Friday 6th December 2024. It was noted that a date for a hearing in June 2024 was also being explored but was yet to be confirmed. The Panel discussed questions to ask the MELL and requested that the officer put them into a consolidated question plan for the Panel to review and, if thought fit, approve at its meeting on 15 th April 2024. The Panel discussed public engagement for its quarterly public hearings scheduled for April 2024 and asked for the officer to arrange for social media posts to invite the public to submit question suggestions to the Panel, for consideration at its next meeting on 15 th April 2024. | KdC KdC KdC KdC |

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| <p>3. Draft Children and Civil Status (Amendments) (Jersey) Law 202- (P.104/2023)</p> <p>The Panel noted that it had published its scrutiny Report on the Review of the Draft Children and Civil Status (Amendments) (Jersey) Law 202- (P.104/2023) on 13th March 2024 (S.R.2/2024). It was noted that the Ministerial Response would be due on 24th April 2024.</p> <p>The Chair of the Panel was the main respondent for P.104/2023, which would be debated by the States Assembly in the sitting commencing on 19th March 2024.</p> | |
| <p>4. Draft Children and Young People (Jersey) Commencement Act 202- (P.2/2024)</p> <p>The Panel noted that it had published a Comments Paper on the Review of the Draft Children and Young People (Jersey) Commencement Act 202- on 15th March 2024 (S.R.2/2024).</p> <p>The Chair of the Panel was the main respondent for P.2/2024, which would be debated by the States Assembly in the sitting commencing on 19th March 2024.</p> | |
| <p>5. Secondary Education Funding Review</p> <p>The officer advised that an update on the engagement brief for the survey review support would be circulated to the Panel at a later date on Teams.</p> | |
| <p>6. Training</p> <p>The Panel noted that group training, with a focus of questioning and public hearings, was being offered to all scrutiny panels. The Panel agreed that it would like to receive the training and asked the officer to review members' diaries for mutually agreeable dates.</p> | KdC |
| <p>7. States Business</p> <p>The Panel noted the recent Letters, Reports, and Ministerial Decisions that had been shared with the Panel and added to its Microsoft Teams folder since the previous meeting.</p> <p>The Panel noted that a number of links in the agenda paper, which had been previously shared on Microsoft Teams were not working and asked the officer to review this and provide updated links, where necessary.</p> | KdC |
| <p>8. Work Programme</p> <p>The Panel noted its planned work programme for 2024.</p> | |
| <p>9. Any Other Business</p> <p>The Chair advised the Panel that she had been copied into a letter to the MELL from the Women's Rights Network Jersey regarding the Transgender Guidance for schools. The Chair shared the content of the letter with the Panel, which was duly noted.</p> | |
| <p>10. Future Meetings</p> <p>The Panel note that it's next private meeting would take place at 9.00am on Monday 15th April 2024 in Le Capelain Room, States Building.</p> | |

Children, Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 26th March 2024

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| Present | Deputy Catherine Curtis, Chair Connétable Mark Labey, Vice-Chair Deputy Beatriz Porée, Member |
| In attendance | Kate Briden, Chief Officer, Justice and Home Affairs Department Peter Gavey, Chief Ambulance Officer, States of Jersey Ambulance Service Paul Brown, Chief Fire Officer, States of Jersey Fire and Rescue Service Robin Smith, Chief Officer, States of Jersey Police Katherine de Carteret, Committee and Panel Officer Joseph Brannigan, Research and Project Officer |

| Agenda matter | Action |
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| <p>1. Briefing: Emergency Services Control Centre</p> <p>The Panel received the Chief Officers for a private briefing about proposed changes to the Emergency Services Control Centre.</p> <p>This meeting was held in private in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended) under Qualified Exemption Article 35 and a private record was taken.</p> | |