

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT
BY THE CONNÉTABLE OF ST. HELIER
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 12th MARCH 2019**

Question

Would the Minister set out the timetable for the development of the new Island Plan?

Answer

The Planning and Building (Jersey) Law 2002 requires that the Minister for the Environment prepares and presents to the States for approval a draft revision of the Island Plan within 10 years of the approval of the previous Plan. The current Island Plan was adopted in June 2011, with an interim review of parts of the plan in July 2014 and, therefore, a new draft Island Plan must be lodged during 2021.

The Island Plan is one of the most important documents in shaping the future of the Island and it is my intention to ensure that the processes of its development involve effective public engagement throughout. Consultation and wide public engagement will, therefore, be a critical part of the Island Plan Review process and a detailed programme for this element of the plan is being developed and will be publicised by the late Spring of 2019.

It is envisaged that initially, public consultation about strategic issues and potential options will take place towards the end of 2019; with a further phase of public consultation on a draft detailed plan likely to take place in Q3 of 2020.

It is proposed the draft plan will be lodged in late 2020, allowing the States to debate and adopt the new Island Plan during Q1 2021.