

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE CHIEF MINISTER
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 29th JANUARY 2019**

Question

Will the Chief Minister list for members details of all the political oversight groups (including policy development boards) which have been set up (together with the details of any others he is contemplating setting up), stating their membership; terms of reference; the dates on which they have met; and where copies of the minutes of their meetings can be found?

Answer

The Ministerial Code of Conduct requires Ministers to work “*collaboratively, inclusively, and transparently, and where appropriate through Policy Development Boards or other groups established by the Council or Chief Minister*”. Other States Members may be invited to join these groups also, in line with the published terms of reference:

<https://www.gov.je/SiteCollectionDocuments/Government%20and%20administration/180720%20Policy%20Development%20Boards%20Terms%20of%20Reference.pdf>

With this in mind, the below listed groups are expected to be launched in Quarter 1 2019, to support the delivery of the Common Strategic Policy approved in December, 2018.

Policy Development Boards (to support the development of projects and policies)

Migration Policy
Early Years
Island Identity and International Profile
Housing
Digital Economy
States Revenues and Tax Policy
Sports Facilities Strategy

Oversight Groups (to oversee the implementation of projects and policies)

Brexit Ministerial Group
One Government
Future Hospital
Digital Government

In addition, a Policy Development Board was established (and has now concluded) to review the evidence relating to the decision on the future hospital site and scheme. The terms of reference, and related documentation, including minutes, are published on:

<https://www.gov.je/Government/PolicyDevelopmentBoards/Pages/HospitalPolicyBoard.aspx>

Finally, as we develop the new Government Plan, and implement the Common Strategic Policy, additional groupings will be established as required, whether to support strategic themes, such as improving physical and mental health or protecting our environment; or to delivery specific pieces of policy or project work, such as preparing for our ageing society, delivering a new Island Plan, improving our urban spaces, a new economic framework, an anti-inflation strategy, and importantly, in relation to issues of equality and diversity.

The terms of reference for all these groups will be published as they are established.