

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR CHILDREN AND HOUSING  
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QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 25th JANUARY 2021  
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 1st FEBRUARY 2021**

**Question**

Will the Minister advise when he plans to issue law-drafting instructions to reform the Children (Jersey) Law 2002 in respect of parental responsibility for same-sex parents, and will he state the timetable for bringing such reforms to the Assembly for debate?

**Answer**

Law drafting instructions are currently subject to consultation with key professional stakeholders including;

- Children's Services
- JFCAS
- Family Court Registrar
- Law Officers' Safeguarding and Advice Teams

It is anticipated that the law drafting instructions will be issued to the law draftsman before the end of February.