

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES  
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QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 6th MARCH 2023  
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 13th MARCH 2023**

**Question**

“Will the Minister advise the current position regarding development of a cancer strategy for Jersey, and will she further state what resources are committed to the development of the strategy and the estimated timescale for implementation?”

**Answer**

In addition to my answer to [WQ.086/2023](#), the following progress has been made in the development of the Cancer Strategy throughout 2022:

- a working group was established to commence development of a draft strategy, with a steering group overseeing their work. These groups included:
  - service users
  - GP’s
  - public health officials
  - medical consultants and lead nurses (including medical oncology, radiography, palliative care and histopathology)
  - service managers
  - representatives of MacMillian Cancer Support
- relevant data was gathered to help understand prevalence and inform a need analysis
- current services have been mapped, including acceptance criteria and access arrangements to help identification of gaps in provision and activity, and
- a series of 11 stakeholders engagement sessions have been undertaken to support identification of key issues and inform future activity.

That work is now subject to review, and I anticipate a strategy being presented to me by end of Q2 2023.

The Government of Jersey resources committed to develop this strategy have been time and commitment from

- public health officials
- medical consultants and lead nurses (including medical oncology, radiography, palliative care and histopathology)
- service managers