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Senator John Le Fondré  
Chief Minister  
**BY EMAIL**

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Dear Chief Minister

**Ongoing COVID-19 queries**

In the light of recent announcements and changes to restrictions and the continuing community transmission of COVID-19, the Safer Travel Guidelines Review Panel, together with the Children, Education and Home Affairs and Health and Social Security Panel wish to raise a number of joint queries with you to assist in their ongoing reviews. Please could you provide the information requested below:

- What proportion of vaccinated Islanders will be considered sufficient to establish community immunity and when do you anticipate that this will happen?
- What impact will full vaccination offer in the reconnection strategy and longer-term response to COVID-19?
- What action is being taken to vaccinate Islanders who are under the age of 18?
- Is the Government of Jersey investigating a programme of vaccination for 12- to 18-year-olds?
- Is there a conscious move to allow COVID-19 to spread amongst under 18's due to lack of serious illness in that group and will how policies relating to those under 18 be changing during the summer?
- What level of understanding is there on the long-term impact of COVID-19 on young people, as an illness and more widely?
- What monitoring is conducted to make sure that tests undertaken are effective enough to gather a sufficient swabbing sample. It is the Panels' understanding that a number of positives have been identified after 5, 8 or 10 days, potentially due to lack of detection at day 0 tests;
- The Panel appreciates that some changes may need to be made at short notice. However, in line with the States approval of Part C of [P.34](#) would be grateful for an update on the next scheduled and anticipated announcements in relation to changes to the Safer Travel Policy.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter, the Panel would be appreciative if you could please respond by Monday 5th July 2021.

Yours sincerely,

Deputy Robert Ward  
**Chair, Safer Travel Guidelines Review Panel**