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Deputy Russell Labey, Minister for Housing and Communities

cc Deputy Rowland Huelin, Assistant Chief Minister

By email

7th January 2022

Dear Deputy Labey,

Migration and Population Review Panel

Review of P.116/2021 Common Population Policy

During the Panel's public hearing of Thursday 6th January 2022 with the Assistant Chief Minister in relation to the proposed Common Population Policy, it was suggested that a number of the questions, on topics which are referenced in the policy, would be better directed to yourself.

The Panel would be grateful if you could provide responses for the following questions which were originally put to the Assistant Chief Minister.

1. Are you able to provide a timeframe for a register of property ownership to be developed and implemented?
2. What actions are outlined in the policy to address Jersey's residential housing crisis in the context of the desire to find a 'stable population' level?
3. What review has been undertaken to ascertain the current impact of high cost of renting and property purchase upon population levels, and young people of working age leaving the Island or not coming to work here because they see housing cost as a barrier to living here?

In addition to the questions asked at the hearing, the Panel would also ask that you provide a response to the following:

4. How do you believe the proposed policy will impact areas under your Ministerial remit?

Please could you provide a response by no later than Thursday 13th January 2022.

Yours sincerely

Senator Steve Pallett

Chair, Migration & Population Review Panel