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By email

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Dear Chair,

## **Regulation of public entertainments**

I am writing to provide you with advance notice of my intention to lodge the <u>Unlawful Public</u> <u>Entertainments (Jersey) Regulations</u> ("the Regulations") for a further period of three years.

As you will be aware, these Regulations govern the licencing of public events in Jersey and have been renewed by the Assembly since 1998. Successive Governments and Scrutiny Panels have identified a need to replace the Regulations with a dedicated piece of legislation governing public events.

Further to a commitment within my 2023 Delivery Plan, my department has now identified a programme of work which will include the drafting and lodging of bespoke events licencing legislation. This work will begin in earnest during 2024 and likely take the remainder of this political term to complete. It will include close engagement with key stakeholders including the Bailiff's Chambers, Scrutiny, the Parishes, Law Drafting Office, event organisers and the States of Jersey Police, amongst others.

As the existing Regulations will expire on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2024, I intend to seek the Assembly's approval to renew the Regulations for an additional three years. I will be setting out a more detailed timeline and scope of the new legislation in the report accompanying the Regulations and would be pleased to provide a briefing to the Panel in advance of lodging during Q1 2024.

Yours sincerely,

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