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BY EMAIL

30th June 2023

Dear Minister and Assistant Ministers,

Follow-up matters from the Public Hearing on 28th June 2023

Thank you for attending the public review hearing on Wednesday, together with your Officers, your time is much appreciated. During the hearing you committed to follow up with:

- Further details of how the 2023 Social Work degree course at University College Jersey has been publicised;
- Whether there are any figures, or data, available in relation to the outcomes of the 'Fostering Fortnight' event in May 2023;
- Confirmation of when the CAMHS Annual Summary Report will be published;
- Sharing the Best Start Partnership report in respect of Early Years with the Panel. Please could you give an indication of when this could be provided?;
- Further details about the additional Nursery Education Fund grant funding has been used;
- A detailed breakdown of the grouped heads of expenditure and feasibility spending for the CYPES capital projects;
- Confirmation of the number of staff to be recruited and trained for the extension of the school meals scheme in September 2023 and, if possible, September 2024;
- Confirmation of whether details about the student finance grant information can be made available in European Portuguese, as this is not a language translation option available through Google translate on gov.je; and
- Details of the number of applicants for postgraduate bursary funding in recent years, including 2023.

As we came to the end of the time allocated for the hearing you kindly committed to respond to the Panel's additional queries in writing, and I set these out below, for your attention:

Joint working with Justice and Home Affairs

1. The Panel was advised by the Minister for Home Affairs (in a letter dated [11th May 2023](#)) that, historically, there hasn't been cross department working between Justice and Home Affairs and CYPES in relation to the educational provision at HMP La Moye, but that there are plans to start developing that relationship. Please could you confirm if there has been any recent cross-ministerial collaboration and whether the Education

department has started working with the team at the prison in relation to its educational provision?

- (a) Do you envisage some of the actions committed to in the 'Further Educational and Skills Actionable Agenda' will impact the educational provision at the prison?
(For example, [point 8 of the agenda](#) references funding adult numeracy and literacy up to level 2. Would this include any young adults in the prison?)

Jersey School Curriculum

2. Please could you confirm the current membership of the Jersey Curriculum Council? (Please advise if the members are independent, or a member due to their employment role with the States of Jersey).

(a) How often does the curriculum council meet?

3. Following the recent British-Irish Council summit in Jersey, Guernsey's Chief Minister was cited [*in the JEP on 17th June*] saying that the 2 Bailiwicks could work closer together in areas such as Education. What is your opinion of this? Have you explored any opportunities to work with Guernsey?

Thank you in advance for your assistance. The Panel looks forward to your formal response and would request that this is received by Friday 7th July 2023.

Yours sincerely,



Deputy Catherine Curtis
Chair, Children, Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel