

Deputy David Johnson  
Chair, EIA Scrutiny Panel  
By email

10<sup>th</sup> September 2021

Dear Deputy Johnson,

**Regulations for the Licence Application, Production and Export of Medicinal Cannabis  
in Jersey**  
**The Cannabis Services Advisory Board**

Thank you for your letter dated 18<sup>th</sup> August, please see the responses to your questions below:

**1. We note Nick Morland, the chief executive of Tenacious Labs, is the Chair of the board but could you provide an organisation chart identifying other stakeholders on the board?**

As previously highlighted, this is not a Government organisation. It is an independent industry group of interested parties wishing to develop this new sector of the economy. The Government has supported the Board in principle in that their establishment and existence is of practical benefit as a sounding board representing both local cultivation and inward investment from overseas and as such sees value in the Board but plays no part in appointing members – that is for the group themselves. Officials and Ministers recognise that engagement with the group is important due to their proximity to new markets which helps to identify the risks, threats and challenges facing the sector in order that Government can create the right conditions to support the growth of this new industry. This is exactly as they would with other sectors of the economy and their representative bodies such as the Chamber of Commerce, Jersey Farmers Union or the Jersey Hospitality Association for example.

**2. Is the Minister for EDTS on the board and, if so, does he have a particular role?**

No.

**3. Do either of the Ministers for HSS and EHI have roles on the board?**

No.

**4. Does any officer accountable to any of the above Ministers have any role on the board?**

Officials from HCS, Economy, IHE may attend Board meetings by invitation to provide updates on Govt activity in developing the sector and address any questions raised, but are not members of the Board.

- 5. Has the Government of Jersey provided any set up costs for the establishment of the board and if so, could you provide details as to this cost. In addition, could you provide details if there are any ongoing charges for the board which are funded by the Government of Jersey?**

The Board is not and never has been funded by Government.

- 6. Does the board have a Terms of Reference and if so, could the Panel have a copy?**

The Government has not been provided with and does not hold ToR for the Board as it is an independent body.

- 7. Will the monthly meetings be minuted and if so, will these be in the public domain?**

This is a matter for the Board as an independent body. It is anticipated that the Board will periodically write to the Government with observations/advice on the key challenges faced by the sector, but to date no such correspondence has been received.

- 8. Does the board have a secretary or administrative officer to whom general questions as to administration should be addressed?**

Not that we are aware. The Board is in its infancy, however, this is ultimately a matter for the Board as an independent body.

Yours sincerely,



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