



Deputy Gregory Guida  
Minister for Home Affairs  
BY EMAIL

14th February 2022

Dear Minister,

**Follow up Review: Assessment of Mental Health Services**

You may be aware that the Health and Social Security Panel has started a follow up Scrutiny Review of Mental Health Services in Jersey.

Further information about the review, including the terms of reference are available on the Scrutiny website. If you are reading an electronic copy of this letter, the review page is linked [here](#). The full initial review report, [S.R.4/2019](#) is available to read on this link. Alternatively, you can search for the review on the Scrutiny website: [www.statesassembly.gov.je/Scrutiny](http://www.statesassembly.gov.je/Scrutiny)

The Panel would like to hear the views of the States of Jersey Police and the States of Jersey Prison Service in relation to the provision of Adult Mental Health Services and, where relevant, Child and Adolescent Mental Health Services (CAMHS) in Jersey.

We should therefore be grateful if you could arrange to provide answers, from the perspective of each of the services to the questions outlined below:

**States of Jersey Police (SoJP)**

1. Please can you describe all of the key relationships and partnership working that exists between the SoJP and Adult Mental Health Services / CAMHS (where applicable)?
2. Please can you describe all of the key relationships and partnerships, if any, that exist between the SoJP and the third or private sectors which provide support for mental health concerns.
3. The Panel understands that the Community Triage Team “*works with the States of Jersey Police and the emergency services attending calls where the mental health of individuals is a concern*”<sup>1</sup>. Please could you provide some further detail about how the Community Triage Team operates in partnership with SoJP?
4. Is the Community Triage Team equipped to respond to both adult and child and adolescent mental health concerns?

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<sup>1</sup> [Initiatives offering support to Islanders with mental health conditions – gov.je](#)

5. Please can you provide a breakdown (from September 2018) of how many incidents requiring a police response have involved concerns about mental health, suicide or self-harm?
6. Please can you provide an update regarding the status of the Mental Health Criminal Justice Forum?
7. Please can you confirm the number of people who have been removed to a place of safety under the Mental Health (Jersey) Law 2016, since it came into force (broken down by year / month)?
  - a. With reference to the above, please can you provide detail of the location of the 'place of safety'?
8. Please could you provide a summary of any work by SoJP that was undertaken or started as a result of the Mental Health Strategy for Jersey (2016-2020)?
9. Following the outbreak of COVID-19 in Jersey in 2020, please can you outline the impact this had on SoJP work outlined in the response to questions 1 - 8 above?
  - a. Have any significant or permanent changes been made to the work / service as a result of COVID-19?
10. Do you have any other comments about how Mental Health Services in Jersey have changed since 2018? The Panel would welcome any comments or information which may relate to the findings and recommendations of the initial review (details are available on this [link](#)).

### **States of Jersey Prison Service (SoJPS)**

1. Please can you describe all of the key relationships and partnership working that exists between the SoJPS and Adult Mental Health Services?
  - a. Have any changes been made since 2018?
2. Please can you describe all of the key relationships and partnerships, if any, that exist between the SoJPS and the third or private sectors which provide support for mental health concerns.
3. Please could you confirm what mental health services prisoners can access?
4. Following the outbreak of COVID-19 in Jersey in 2020, please can you outline the impact this had on SoJPS work and services outlined in the responses to questions 1 - 3 above?
  - a. Have any significant or permanent changes been made to the work / service as a result of COVID-19?
5. Please could you provide a summary of any work by SoJPS that was undertaken or started as a result of the Mental Health Strategy for Jersey (2016-2020)?

- a. As part of this, we refer to the [submission](#) from SoJPS (dated 10th October 2018) to the Panel's previous 'Assessment of Mental Health Services' report, which stated:

*'It could be said minimally: there have been no significant changes from a prison perspective that have been influenced directly by the mental health review. We have made positive changes to the delivery of the current service, but this has been driven internally without any input from the review team.'*<sup>2</sup>

Please could you reflect on this response.

The Panel would also welcome, if possible, the opportunity to revisit the Police Station and HM Prison La Moye as it did as part of the 2018 review, to highlight in-person, areas of improvement that have been made since.

Thank you in advance for your assistance, we should be grateful if you could provide a response within 5 working days of this letter.

Please direct any response or queries to the Panel through our Committee and Panel Officer, Katherine de Carteret by email at [k.decarteret@gov.je](mailto:k.decarteret@gov.je) and / or our Research and Project Officer, Ben Walker by email at [b.walker2@gov.je](mailto:b.walker2@gov.je).

Yours sincerely



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<sup>2</sup> [States of Jersey Prison \(gov.je\)](#)