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Deputy Helen Miles
Minister for Justice and Home Affairs

BY EMAIL

16th October 2023

Dear Minister,

Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027 (P.72/2023)

As you will be aware, the Children, Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel has commenced a Review of the Government Plan 2024-2026, and that this includes projects assigned to the Justice and Home Affairs Department for which you have Ministerial responsibility.

In order to inform the Panel's Review of the Government Plan, we should be grateful if you could provide responses to the following questions:

Justice and Home Affairs (JHA)

- 1. JHA is projected to have approximately £4.5 million of income earned through operations in 2024. Please could you provide detail about the source of this income?
- 2. The previous Government Plan identified £144,000 of value for money savings for JHA in 2023. Are you able to confirm if those savings have been made / are on track to be achieved and where savings were identified?
- 3. JHA has targeted £512,000 of value for money savings in 2024. Please could you provide a breakdown of where those savings will be achieved.
 - a. If non-pay inflation will be used, please could you provide some examples of this.
- 4. In a table format, if possible, please could you confirm the number of FTE (full time equivalent) roles, number of staff employed and current open vacancies as of 30th September 2023 in the following services:
 - i. Health and Safety Inspectorate
 - ii. States of Jersey Ambulance Service
 - iii. States of Jersey Fire and Rescue Service
 - iv. States of Jersey Prison Service
 - v. Jersey Field Squadron
 - vi. Jersey Customs and Immigration Service
 - vii. Justice and Home Affairs Directorate
 - viii. Superintendent Registrar
- 5. Please could you provide a more detailed breakdown of the following expenditure, as detailed in the statement of comprehensive net expenditure for JHA:

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- i. Staff costs;
- ii. Other operating expenses;
- iii. Grants and subsidies payments; and
- iv. Finance costs.
- 6. Please could you provide details of the process by which any financial grants or subsidies issued by JHA in 2024 will be considered and approved?
- 7. If applicable, please could you provide details of all:
 - (a) commissioned services;
 - (b) grants; and
 - (c) subsidies.

paid by JHA in the last 2 years. Please provide details of the organisation name, payment amount(s), and purpose / reason of the payment.

- 8. Please could you provide further details of the what the funding requested for the "Replacement Assets and Minor Capital JHA" for 2024 will include?
 - a. Why is there no funding budget requested for 2026 and 2027?
- 9. The Government intends to spend £1.433 million on maintenance of the existing Ambulance Station Headquarters over the next 4 years. Please could you provide some detail about the extent of the works that are required on that site?
 - a. Please could you confirm the length of time the building is intended to remain in use for?
- 10. The Government Plan details that the Estates project for the Ambulance, Fire & Rescue Headquarters are being delayed until 2027. Please could you provide details about why the project timeline has changed.
 - a. Please could you provide details about the work that has been undertaken on this project and any costs incurred during 2023.
- 11. The Government Plan details that the Estates project for the Army and Sea Cadet Headquarters are being delayed until 2025. Please could you provide details about why the project timeline has changed.
 - a. The Panel was advised last year that the location of the new Army and Sea Cadet Headquarters would be announced in early 2023. Please could you advise whether a location has been identified and, if so, when this will be announced?

The Panel looks forward to your formal response and would request this is received by 23rd October 2023.



Yours sincerely,

Deputy Catherine Curtis

Chair, Children, Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel