

Chair's Report

24 July 2024

1.0 Calendar of Board Meetings for 2025

A calendar of proposed Board events in 2025 has been circulated to Commissioners, noting that the dates are provisional and may be subject to change.

2.0 Quarterly Meeting with SPPP

The Q2 quarterly liaison meeting with SPPP took place on Tuesday 16 July. Lesley Bratch attended in capacity as an observer. The meeting focused on finance, workforce, governance and policy matters, including correspondence from Andrew McLaughlin, Chief Executive of Government of Jersey, re the Common Strategic Policy 2024-26 and its associated financial implications.

3.0 Letter from the Chair to Mr A. McLaughlin, Chief Executive, Government of Jersey.

Commissioners will be aware that I wrote to the Chief Executive of the States of Jersey on 28 May. A reminder letter was issued on 08 July. Commissioners will be updated once a formal response has been received.

4.0 Crisis Planning

Lynne Cappie, Switch Digital, will facilitate a workshop on the theme of crisis planning / crisis management, to consider how the Commission would respond to any sudden or unforeseen event impacting on the care sector in Jersey.

The purpose of the event is as follows:-

a) to develop a crisis plan for the most likely scenarios with a number of staff who are likely to be involved in the day-to-day management of those areas/risks.

b) to develop communication principles and a plan for each scenario (depending on number of scenarios identified)

c) to rehearse the plans with the team.

The workshop will take place on Wednesday 21 August. The CI has asked that an invitation be extended to any Commissioners who would be available and interested in attending virtually, to make their interest known.

This will be a joint event with Regulation Officers and other Team members.

5.0 Annual Report 2024

I wish to place on record my sincere thanks and appreciation to all involved in completing the 2023 Annual Report in time for it to be laid before the States Assembly, in accordance with the requirements of the Regulation of Care (Jersey) Law.

6.0 Care Commission 5th Anniversary

I have been invited to contribute to a planned video campaign to celebrate the 5th anniversary of the Jersey Care Commission. The video will include contributions from staff and from partner organisations and is being produced by Switch Digital.

7.0 Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel (10 July 2024).

The Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel held a public hearing on Wednesday 10 July. Three witnesses, including Tom Hayhoe former Chair of the Health and Social Care Advisory Board, gave evidence to the Panel on their reflections on the state of health and social care provision in Jersey. A link to the recording can be accessed on the GoJ website.

Ends.