

## Chief Inspector's Report 19 November 2025

### Introduction

The purpose of this paper is to update the Board on key operational and strategic issues since the last Board meeting on **16 September 2025**.

### Key Meetings

- Jersey Regulatory Forum
- Institute of Regulation Regulatory round table discussion  
[https://www.linkedin.com/posts/institute-of-regulation\\_regulation-leadership-culture-activity-7391067379067297792-r4eK?utm\\_source=share&utm\\_medium=member\\_desktop&rcm=ACoAAAcHVvwBJIYeYz-RnXSlo7ak-L1jh0jgXec](https://www.linkedin.com/posts/institute-of-regulation_regulation-leadership-culture-activity-7391067379067297792-r4eK?utm_source=share&utm_medium=member_desktop&rcm=ACoAAAcHVvwBJIYeYz-RnXSlo7ak-L1jh0jgXec)
- United Kingdom Chief Executive meeting of Health and Social Care Regulators
- Silkworth Lodge Annual Autumn Celebration
- Criminal Justice System Conference (AllMatters neurodiverse)
- England Health and Social Care regulators forum (inc. GMC, NMC, MRHA)

### 1.0 Inspection Schedule

The statutory inspection schedule for 2025 remains under review. All inspections are progressing as planned and are expected to be completed within the calendar year.

### 2.0 Children's Social Care

The inspection of CAMHS, in collaboration with the Royal College of Psychiatrists, is scheduled for November 2025. The Fostering and Adoption inspection is planned for December 2025.

Following the publication of inspection reports for a children's home and a secure children's home ([RPT\\_03CH\\_Summary\\_20250702.pdf](#) and [RPT\\_SCR\\_Summary-report\\_20250731.pdf](#)), the Jersey Evening Press published an article: [Care Commission spells out improvements required for children's homes.](#)

### 3.0 Regulation of Care (Jersey) Law 2014

[States Assembly | Draft Regulation of Care \(Jersey\) Amendment Law 202-](#)

The Chair and Chief Inspector attended a public scrutiny panel on 26 September 2025. [Regulation of Care Scrutiny Sub-Panel - Public Hearing with Jersey Care Commission - 26 Sept - YouTube](#)

The scrutiny panel published its comments paper on the draft Law: [P-57-2025-Com.pdf](#).

Proposed amendments to the Regulation of Care (Jersey) Law 2014 were debated on the 11 November. [States Meeting - 11 November 2025 - PM - Tuesday 11 November 2025, 2:15pm - States of Jersey Webcasting](#) and the amendments were approved by Ministers.

Continued preparations include communications planning, regular project meetings, and a review of key policies likely to be affected.

### 4.0 Adult Social Care Standards Review

The review of adult care standards continues following public consultation. Revised standards are expected by the end of 2025, with final consultation planned for January 2026.

### 5.0 Communications

The Commission has launched a quarterly newsletter, The Care Exchange, aimed at Registered Managers and Care Providers. It provides updates on regulatory matters, reminders, and showcases sector excellence through “Care Spotlights.”

Additionally, the Commission’s first podcast, featuring Sanctuary Trust and Silkworth Lodge, highlights successful inspection outcomes. It is available via the Jersey Care Commission Podcast Series RSS Feed.

The ‘Faces of Care Regulation’ (Previously Meet the Inspectors) is also being planned. The new series will celebrate the people using their experience and professional expertise to help shape and ensure safe, high-quality care in Jersey.

At the Commission, the team of inspectors come from a wide range of care backgrounds and understand first-hand what good, compassionate and effective care looks like. This series looks at the paths that led the team into a career in care services, the values that guide their work, and the vital role that modern collaborative regulation plays in ensuring the delivery of safe and compassionate care in Jersey.

## 6.0 Assisted Dying

In May 2024, the States Assembly approved detailed proposals for assisted dying in Jersey. [Assisted dying in Jersey](#).

On 2nd September 2025 the proposed [Legislation](#) was lodged to the States Assembly. The Assisted Dying Review Panel has launched its Review into the proposed Assisted Dying Legislation and will examine the legal, medical, ethical and academic implications posed. The Review will aim to ensure that appropriate and thorough scrutiny is undertaken to ascertain the robustness and transparency of the proposals. The debate will take place on 20 January 2026.

If approved, implementation will take a minimum of 18 months, with the earliest service commencement in Summer 2027. Key implementation steps include:

- Establishing the Assisted Dying Service and recruiting staff
- Developing training for practitioners
- Creating operational and general guidance
- Setting up oversight functions (Assurance and Delivery Committee, Review Panel)
- Registration and regulation of the service by the Jersey Care Commission

[States Assembly | Review into the proposed Assisted Dying Legislation](#)

## 7.0 Health and Social Care Budget Review

The Commission has engaged with the scrutiny of the proposed 2026–2029 health and social care budget. While no further response has been provided, the Commission appreciates the opportunity to contribute.

## 8.0 Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel

### [States Assembly | Proposed Budget 2026 - 2029 Review - Corporate Services Panel](#)

The Panel is reviewing Proposition P.70/2025 – the Government Plan for 2026–2029. The Commission has responded positively, noting its efforts to deliver savings through efficiencies, project reprioritisation, staffing adjustments, and data tools. The Commission's response has emphasised the need for adequate funding for high-risk services and expressed openness to collaboration with other arm's-length bodies.

Care Commission response i- agenda item 6.2

## 9.0 Freedom of Information (FOI) Consultation

Deputy Malcolm Ferey launched a public consultation on the scope of the FOI (Jersey) Law 2011. The Commission has attended a focus group and provided a formal response which advises that the Commission supports extending FOI to States-established bodies but has highlighted resource pressures and potential risks to regulatory effectiveness. It called for clearer guidance, sufficient funding, and strengthened exemptions to protect sensitive information. [R-138-2025.pdf](#)

Care Commission response to FOI is - agenda item 6.1

## 10.0 Invite to present at Malta Regulation Conference

Two Regulation Officers attended Malta's regulation conference in November 2025, at the invitation of Malta's Social Care Regulator. They presented on regulating social care on a small island and shared insights on regulatory leadership. Malta covered all travel and accommodation expenses. The visit included tours of several residential care homes.

## 11.0 NMC Online Workshop

A virtual session with the Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) is scheduled for Thursday 20 November 2025, 12:00–13:00. This session will be relevant for those involved in nursing or midwifery regulation, leadership, or workforce support in social care.