

# STATES OF JERSEY



## THE CARE EXPERIENCED FUND (P.30/2026) – CHILDREN’S RIGHTS IMPACT ASSESSMENT

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Presented to the States on 6th February 2026  
by the Minister for Children and Families

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## CHILDREN'S RIGHTS IMPACT ASSESSMENT (CRIA)

### PART 1: SCREENING

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| Name and title of Duty Bearer:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       | Connétable Richard Vibert, Minister for Children and Families |
| Type of Duty Bearer:<br>(Minister, Elected Member or States Assembly Body)                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Elected Member                                                |
| Assessment completed by (if not completed by duty bearer):                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           | Senior Policy Officer                                         |
| Date:                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                | 28/02/2025 updated 26/01/2026                                 |
| <p>1) Name and brief description of the proposed decision<br/>         'Decision' means:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• an Assembly proposition</li> <li>• an amendment (or further amendment) to a proposition</li> <li>• for Ministerial duty-bearers, policy under development</li> </ul>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |                                                               |
| <p>The proposition, if adopted, would establish the Care Experienced Fund, which aims to provide Islanders over the age of 25 and who were formerly in the care of the Minister (as defined in the Children (Jersey) Law 2002) with support in the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• access to lifelong learning opportunities</li> <li>• access to mental health and wellbeing support</li> <li>• emergency assistance for unforeseen expenditure, including but not limited to medical, dental or ophthalmic costs, emergency travel, costs associated with housing and unexpected bill payments.</li> </ul> <p>The Fund will only be accessible to those over the age of 25, the age at which the Government's existing Care Leavers' offer ends.</p> |                                                               |
| <p>2) Which groups of children and young people are likely to be affected?<br/>         Groups of children could include early years, primary or secondary education; young adults; children with additional learning needs; disabled children; children living in poverty; children from particular ethnic backgrounds; migrants; refugees; care experienced children and LGBTQ+ children</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |                                                               |
| <p>Although the Fund addresses the government's wider corporate parenting responsibility, it is intended to benefit adults aged 25 and above, so impacts on children are unlikely. There could occasionally be an element of indirect benefit to a child of (or a child who lived in the same household as) someone who successfully applied to the Fund for assistance</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          |                                                               |
| <p>3) What is the likely impact of the proposed decision on children and on their rights?<br/>         Impacts may be positive or negative, direct or indirect<br/>         Include whether different groups of children will be affected differently by the decision</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |                                                               |
| <p>Any impact would be negligible and indirect as described above.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                               |                                                               |
| <p>4) Is a full Children's Rights Impact Assessment required?<br/>         If you have identified impacts on children and their rights, a full CRIA should be completed. If no impacts are identified then a Full CRIA is not required, but please explain your rationale and how you reached this conclusion</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |                                                               |
| <p>A full CRIA is not required, given that no impacts on children are anticipated as a result of establishing this Fund.</p>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |                                                               |