

STATES OF JERSEY



PROPOSED BUDGET (GOVERNMENT PLAN) 2026-2029 (P.70/2025): SEVENTEENTH AMENDMENT (P.70/2025 AMD) – CHILDREN’S RIGHTS IMPACT ASSESSMENT

**Presented to the States on 21st November 2025
by the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel**

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CHILDREN'S RIGHTS IMPACT ASSESSMENT (CRIA)

PART 1: SCREENING

Name and title of Duty Bearer:	Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel
Type of Duty Bearer: (Minister, Elected Member or States Assembly Body)	States Assembly Body
Assessment completed by (if not completed by duty bearer):	Research and Project Officer
Date:	20th November 2025

1) Name and brief description of the proposed decision The subject of your CRIA may be a proposed law, policy or proposition and in accordance with the Law is referred to in this template as the 'decision' - What is the problem or issue the decision is trying to address? - Do children experience this problem differently from adults? The Panel's Amendment [P.70/2025] to the Proposed Budget (Government Plan) 2026-2029 seeks to ensure that adequate funding is available to the Office of the Children's Commissioner to fulfil the requirements of the Commissioner for Children and Young People (Jersey) Law 2019 (hereafter "the Law") The Amendment will Reinstate funds for the Children's Commissioner to ensure that the Children's Commissioner can fulfil its requirements under the Law, principally to include "<i>promoting and protecting the rights of all children and young people in Jersey</i>".
2) Which groups of children and young people are likely to be affected? 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 The Children's Commissioner has a wide-ranging remit to promote and protect the rights of all children and young people in Jersey. Therefore, it can be considered likely that all groups of children and young people in Jersey will be affected.
3) What is the likely impact of the proposed decision on children and on their rights? - Identify any potential positive OR negative impacts and include indirect impacts on children and their rights as described in the UNCRC - Will different groups of children be affected differently by this decision? The reinstatement of funding for the Children's Commissioner will likely have positive impacts for all groups of children and young people in Jersey.
4) Is a full Children's Rights Impact Assessment required? 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 Whilst a full CRIA is not required in relation to a Scrutiny Panel Amendment, a preliminary review of the impacts of the Panel's Amendment on children and young people has been undertaken, and this has found to have no negative impacts.