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In accordance with Standing Order 63 (9), a written response would be provided to the following oral questions that had not been asked during the time allowed at the meeting:

4.13 Connetable K. Shenton-Stone of St. Martin of the Minister for Children and Families regarding the publication of a report on child online safety (OQ.2/2026):

Question

Will the Minister commit to publishing a report, before the current Assembly ends, on the Government of Jersey's work during this political term to improve child online safety, even if the review of the Online Harms – Content Removal consultation remains ongoing, so that Islanders can scrutinise this Government's actions on the matter?

Answer

Written Answer provided in accordance with Standing Order 63(9).

The Governments 42-page response to the CEHA Scrutiny Review on protecting children from online harms provides a comprehensive overview of its previous and current activity in this important policy area.

As part of the government submission, a summary of five key areas of activity were described giving a renewed commitment to work with all States Members to continue to improve children safeguards against digital harm. The five areas included:

- Increasing Education and Awareness
- Progressing new policy and legislation
- Continued Industry Engagement
- Engagement with Children and Young People
- Leadership and Coordination

I can advise that there are no plans to commit to publishing a further report a month after the government response to the panels original review on the same subject.