

Chief Minister



Deputy Inna Gardiner
Chair, Common Strategic Policy Scrutiny Panel
By email

4th August 2025

Dear Chair,

Common Strategic Policy Review Panel

Thank you for your letter, dated 31 July 2025, and the confirmation of the approach which Scrutiny Panels will take in scrutinising the proposed Budget 2026 – 2029, once lodged for States Assembly consideration. This is understood to be as follows:

- Individual Scrutiny Panel reviews by each Panel in their areas of responsibility,
- An over-arching review of the proposed Budget by the Corporate Services Panel, and
- An additional review of how the Common Strategic Policy (CSP) underpins and is supported by the proposed Budget.

The Council of Ministers is also grateful for notification of the re-establishment of a Common Strategic Policy Review Panel. Please could you confirm that the Review Panel will be working to the same Terms of Reference which was previously published: [States Assembly | Common Strategic Policy Review Panel](#)

Thank you also for confirming that you will provide further clarification of the areas which you will be scrutinising in relation to the CSP and its alignment with the proposed Budget, prior to the hearings.

I can also confirm that I have availability on Monday, 27th October 2025 to attend a one-hour hearing and I look forward to meeting with the Review Panel. Officials will liaise to confirm arrangements for the requested hearings, including with the other relevant Ministers.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Lyndon Farnham".

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