

States Greffe

Senator Lyndon Farnham
Chief Minister

BY EMAIL

14th August 2026

Dear Chief Minister,

Control of Housing and Work Law Commencement

Following approval by the States Assembly of *Draft Control of Housing and Work Amendment (Jersey) Commencement Act* [[P.45/2026](#)] in March 2026, the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel ('the Panel') understands that the Law, previously approved Regulations and associated Orders will come into force on 14th September 2026.

One of the changes to be brought forward is the establishment of a new political Panel – Housing and Work Control Panel (HWCP) - to replace the role of the Housing and Work Advisory Group (HAWAG). In respect of the HWCP, the Panel requests the following information

- An update on the constitution of the HWCP and its membership.
- An outline of the governance mechanisms in place for the HWCP including how its effectiveness will be monitored, assessed and reported to ensure decisions taken are transparent, consistent and fair.
- The meeting schedule for this HWCP.

The Panel also notes that a primary reason for amending the Law was to enable more transparency and flexibility within the legal framework for adopting controls more swiftly through Regulation and Order to align with external circumstances relating to Jersey's population. This was a legacy area of the preceding Panel, which heard that further Regulations were being considered at that time. As such, the Panel wishes to understand whether any consideration is being given to proposing any further changes by Regulation and Order to further amend the Law and, if so, the timeline for these.

The Panel would appreciate to receive a formal written response by 21st August 2026. Please be aware that it is the Panel's intention to publish the response it receives on the States Assembly website. However, should any of the information provided be confidential, please can you inform the Panel accordingly.

Yours sincerely,



Deputy Lyndsay Feltham
Chair
Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel