



Senator Lyndon Farnham
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Deputy Lyndsay Feltham
Chair, Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel
By email

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Dear Chair,

The Council of Ministers raised the question of appointment and employment matters in the context of their ultimate accountability to the States Assembly for the performance of their departments and the delivery of services.

The “Jersey Appointment Commission Guidelines” were therefore reviewed, as was the United Kingdom’s Ministerial Code and “Governance Code on Public Appointments” as a point of comparison. Consideration was also given to our overall constitutional arrangements.

In conclusion, the Codes of Conduct and Practice for Ministers and Assistant Ministers was updated to mirror the “active interest” language of the Jersey Appointment Commission Guidelines (which has been in place since 2018). As this was consistent with already applicable guidance from the Jersey Appointment Commission, no risk assessment was necessary.

A technical briefing by officials was offered as part of publication. Officials can make the necessary arrangements, if this would be useful.

Yours sincerely,

Senator Lyndon Farnham
Chief Minister