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Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel

Records of Meetings

2026

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Chair

Deputy Hilary Jeune

États de Jersey



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Environment, Housing, and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 23rd July 2026

Present	Deputy Hilary Jeune, Chair Deputy Tom Coles, Vice Chair Deputy Arlene Maltman Deputy Alex Curtis
Apologies	Connétable Dave Curtis
In attendance	Kathryn Fleming, Committee and Panel Officer Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Roselyn Sharp, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
1. Procedural and Administrative Matters The Chair welcomed the Panel to its inaugural meeting following its constitution on 14th July 2026. Following requests for nominations to the role of Panel Vice Chair as required under Standing Orders (SO) [S.O. 135(5)], Deputy Tom Coles was appointed Vice Chair of the Panel. The Panel noted the proposed timetable for its 2026 regular meetings, agreed that they would be held on Wednesday mornings between 9:30 -11:30am and requested Officers to circulate the Microsoft Outlook calendar invitations for the remainder of the year. The Panel also noted and agreed the proposed timetable for its 2026 quarterly hearings and requested Officers to make the necessary arrangements with the relevant Ministers accordingly. The Panel noted and discussed how its working practices aligned to the Codes of Practice (CoP) for Scrutiny Proceedings, CoP for Engagement between Scrutiny and the Executive and SO and agreed the administration of its work in accordance with those. In particular, the Panel noted and agreed the requirement under SO [SO.138(6)] whereby evidence should be taken in public unless the Panel decides otherwise due to sensitivity of a topic. The Panel also noted the arrangements for briefing oral witnesses and the approach for managing written evidence under the CoP for Scrutiny Proceedings [CoP, para 73] to ensure open access to information, that data protection legislation was adhered to [CoP, para 74] and noted the arrangements for publication of submissions on the States Assembly website [CoP, para 75]. The Panel noted that its preference was always to receive evidence in public wherever possible, whether through written submissions or public meetings. The Panel also noted and discussed the appropriate handling of individual matters and agreed that it would not consider individual matters as areas for review in line with the relevant CoP for Scrutiny Proceedings [CoP, para 47].	

2. Declarations and Conflicts of Interest The Panel noted the declaration of interests section in the Scrutiny and Public Accounts Committee Proceedings Code of Practice. The Chair declared that she was also Chair of the Jersey Association for Youth & Friendship (JAYF), a landlord and her husband was a member of the Jersey Landlord's Association. The Vice-Chair declared that his wife worked in an industry that was regulated. Deputy Alex Curtis declared that he was a landlord and smallholder, operated a registered food business, held alcohol and food licences, and was a small shareholder in Jersey Water. The Panel agreed that this should be a standing item on the Panel's agenda going forward.	
3. Working Practices The Panel noted the working practices for Scrutiny Panels in accordance with the CoP for Scrutiny Proceedings and Engagement with the Executive as well as the role of the Committee and Panel Officer. The Panel agreed that the default would be for all its scheduled Panel meetings, any public meetings (public hearings) and private meetings (briefings) to be held in person. However, the Panel noted the option for hybrid meetings with the ability to join virtually via Microsoft Teams if required. The Panel noted and agreed that its meetings and briefings would be transcribed via Microsoft Teams and that the transcription would be available to the Panel and Officers in accordance with the States Greffe's data retention policy. It was noted that the transcription would be used to inform records of meetings and file notes. The Panel agreed that the dedicated Microsoft Teams channels would be used to administer the work of the Panel including the distribution of correspondence and documentation. The Panel noted that certain documentation would also be shared in confidence in that way, including Ministerial Decisions and Council of Ministers Papers where relevant, and in such circumstances confidential information should not be shared outside of the Panel. The Panel agreed that the default would be for documentation to not be printed unless specifically requested. It was noted that ordinarily Scrutiny Panels would hold public hearings for evidence gathering sessions about the work programmes of their respective Ministers and Assistant Ministers on a quarterly basis, which would be webcast live and transcribed. It was noted that once the Panel held its initial Quarterly Hearings, it would consider moving to hold topic-based hearings with its respective Ministers. It was also noted that review hearings would be scheduled as appropriate to support a line of enquiry and review. It was agreed that a draft question plan would be circulated for comment and approval virtually via Microsoft Teams or discussed at a scheduled Panel meeting (depending on the Panel's meeting schedule and timings) to provide sufficient time for the Panel to review, amend and approve the question plan ahead of any hearing. It was agreed that the Panel would meet ahead of any hearing to undertake the necessary preparations including to allocate questions to Members and discuss the finalised question plan.	

4. Scrutiny Member training The Panel noted that the Scrutiny Liaison Committee (SLC) was considering wider training opportunities and that details would be provided to the Panel in due course. The Panel also noted and discussed a skills audit being developed by the SLC, which would be shared with Panels for Members' self-assessment of skills gaps in order that targeted training could be arranged for Members as required. The Panel noted and discussed training opportunities which could include in-house training to be delivered by Panel Officers such as support for Microsoft Teams. The Panel discussed the opportunity to visit the House of Commons in Westminster and expressed an interest in meeting with its equivalent Select Committee to support the Panel's learning and development. It was noted that any training needs could be identified and brought forward at future meetings as the Panel became more familiar with its working practices, particularly following its first quarterly hearings.	AC
5. Work programme The Panel noted the Legacy Report of the former Panel [S.R.9/2026] and discussed the suggestions for future Scrutiny work to inform its upcoming work programme. The Panel agreed that its introductory letters to Ministers should include a number of initial questions to help inform its understanding of their ministerial priorities. It was further agreed that legacy matters would be raised with Ministers at the quarterly hearings scheduled for September 2026, with additional briefings on ongoing issues to be arranged as necessary.	
6. Site visits / briefings with the relevant Ministers and Departments The Panel agreed to defer scheduling site visits until ministerial priorities and departmental work programmes were defined.	
7. Animal Welfare & Control Review: Report The Panel noted that a response from the Comité des Connétables was still awaited in respect of the recommendations made to it in the previous Panel's Animal Welfare and Control Review Report. The Panel discussed and noted that the Minister for Sustainable Economic Development had responded to a petition looking to ease dog restrictions on Jersey's beaches stating that Government would be looking into reforms of the restrictions of dogs on beaches. The Panel agreed to write to the Minister highlighting that the Panel had undertaken the Animal Welfare and Control Review Report in the previous term which included similar recommendations. Accordingly, it was requested that Officers draft formal correspondence to the Minister for approval. The Panel discussed the Draft Animal Welfare (Prohibited Activities) (Jersey) Order 202- and the Draft Animal Welfare (Prohibited Procedures – Exemptions) (Jersey) Order 202- and agreed to request a briefing to further inform its consideration of the topic.	
8. Draft Sea Fisheries (Minimum Size Limits) (Jersey) Amendment Regulations 202- [P.61/2026] The Panel noted the lodging of the <i>Draft Sea Fisheries (Minimum Size Limits) (Jersey) Amendment Regulations 202- (P.61/2026)</i> and agreed that it was content with the final phase of the proposed increase to the minimum size limit for lobsters.	

The Panel noted that the proposition if adopted would increase the minimum carapace length from 89 mm to 90 mm, completing the third and final stage of the phased implementation of recommendations made by the Lobster Working Group. The Panel considered that, based on the previous propositions, the increase in minimum size limits is founded on a collaborative approach between industry representatives and Government officers, and is satisfied that the amendment supported the shared objective of maintaining a sustainable lobster stock.	
8. Future Meetings It was agreed that the Panel's next scheduled meeting would take place on Wednesday 26th August in the Le Capelain room, States Building	

Environment, Housing, and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 26th August 2026

Present	Deputy Hilary Jeune, Chair Deputy Tom Coles, Vice Chair Deputy Alex Curtis
Apologies	Connétable Dave Curtis Deputy Arlene Maltman
In attendance	Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Rosalyn Sharp, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
1. Records of Meetings The Panel noted the record of the meeting held on 23rd July 2026. Following minor amendments, the record was approved accordingly.	
2. Declarations and Conflicts of Interest There were no new declarations or conflicts of interest declared by the Panel.	
3. Correspondence The Panel noted and discussed a response letter from the Minister for the Environment regarding her ministerial priorities. In relation to the separation of ministerial remits between the Minister and the newly created role of Minister for Planning and Regulation, the Panel agreed that a letter should be drafted requesting clarification on the roles and responsibilities as well as a consolidated list of legislation allocated to each Minister. The Officer advised that a letter would be circulated for approval in due course. The Panel noted and discussed a response letter from the Minister for Housing regarding his ministerial priorities. The Panel noted that homelessness was not mentioned in the letter and agreed that this would be discussed with the Minister in due course. The Panel noted and discussed a response letter from the Minister for Planning and Regulation regarding his ministerial priorities. The Panel agreed that the letter highlighted several areas which could be included in the next Quarterly Hearing with the Minister. The Panel was advised that a letter had been drafted to the Minister regarding succession planning within the department. The Panel agreed minor amendments to the letter, and it was noted that the Officer would circulate the amended version to the Chair for final approval. The Panel noted and discussed a response letter from the Minister for Infrastructure regarding his ministerial priorities. The Panel agreed that the letter highlighted several matters which could be included in the next Quarterly Hearing with the Minister. The Panel noted a letter which had been sent to the Comité des Connétables from the Chair regarding the recommendations made in its Animal Welfare Control	RS RS

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Scrutiny Report (S.R.7/2026). The letter requested a formal response from the Comité to the six recommendations directed to it within the report. The Panel noted that it had received several submissions from members of the public regarding recycling at Clos Du Fort, tuna fishing licensing, and dogs and dog-walking businesses. The Panel agreed that these matters would be included in future lines of questions for Ministers.	
4. Site visits The Panel agreed that the site visits to the St Peter's attenuation tank project on 30th July 2026 and the Cavern on 13th August 2026 had been informative and useful. It was further agreed that additional site visits would be organised as the term progressed.	
5. Draft Sea Fisheries (Minimum Size Limits) (Jersey) Amendment Regulations 202- P.61/2026 - Comments The Panel approved the Comments in relation to the <i>Draft Sea Fisheries (Minimum Size Limits) (Jersey) Amendment Regulations 202- (P.61/2026)</i>, scheduled for debate on 8th September 2026. The Officer advised that the Comments would be presented to States Members in due course.	RS
6. Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for Infrastructure The Panel noted and discussed a draft question plan for the Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for Infrastructure scheduled to take place on 16th September 2026. The Panel requested several changes to the plan including reducing the number of questions and combining several topic areas. The Officer was requested to take the necessary action.	RS
7. Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for Planning and Regulation and Minister for the Environment The Panel noted and discussed a draft question plan for the joint Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for Planning and Regulation and the Minister for the Environment scheduled to take place on 23rd September 2026. The Panel identified a number of additional questions and the Officer advised that a revised plan would be circulated in due course.	RS
8. Stakeholder Engagement The Panel identified a number of stakeholders for future engagement including the homelessness cluster, Construction Council, the Jersey Farmers' Union, Jersey Business and the Jersey Fishermen's Association. The Panel agreed that engagement would take place throughout the term.	
9. Future Meetings It was agreed that the Panel's next scheduled meeting would take place on Wednesday 16th September in the Le Capelain room, States Building.	

Environment, Housing, and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 16th September 2026

Present	Deputy Hilary Jeune, Chair Deputy Tom Coles, Vice Chair Deputy Arlene Maltman Deputy Alex Curtis
Apologies	Connétable Dave Curtis
In attendance	Item 9 only Deputy Jonathan Renouf, Minister for Infrastructure Senator Serena Kersten, Assistant Minister for Infrastructure Andy Scate, Chief Officer, Department for Infrastructure and Environment Ellen Gallichan, Group Director - Operations, Transport and Sport, Department for Infrastructure and Environment Tim Daniels, Director, Jersey Property Holdings Tristen Dodd, Associate Director - Highways, Transport and Infrastructure, Department for Infrastructure and Environment Item 11 only Senator Sir Mark Boleat, Minister for Planning and Regulation Kevin Pilley, Head of Place and Spatial Planning, Cabinet Office Carly Cudlipp, Private Secretary to the Minister for Planning and Regulation Kathryn Fleming, Committee and Panel Officer Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Rosalyn Sharp, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
1. Records of Meetings	
The Panel noted the record of the meeting held on 26 th August 2026.	RS
2. Declarations and Conflicts of Interest	
There were no new declarations or conflicts of interest declared by the Panel.	
3. Correspondence	
The Panel noted that it had not yet received a response from the Comité des Connétables but that this was expected to be imminent. The Panel requested that the Officer contact the relevant officer to request an update. The Panel considered and noted the response from the Minister for Sustainable Economic Development regarding dog restrictions on beaches. The Panel agreed to write to the Minister to indicate that it did not consider the proposed work to fall within the scope of scrutiny activity. The Panel noted that the matter may be more appropriately progressed by the Minister, in collaboration with the Comité des Connétables, and agreed to reflect this view in its response. The Panel noted correspondence previously received from members of the public and further noted that, where appropriate, issues raised had been incorporated into questions for forthcoming quarterly hearings with the relevant Ministers.	RS

4. Consolidated Law Lists The Panel considered correspondence previously sent to the Minister for Planning and Regulation and the Minister for the Environment seeking clarification on their respective legislative remits and responsibilities. In this context, the Panel discussed the Consolidated Law Lists provided, which set out the proposed transfer of functions between the two ministerial portfolios. The Panel reviewed the proposed changes and identified a number of areas where further clarification was required. The Panel therefore requested that officers seek clarification from the relevant Ministers and departments on those matters.	RS/KF
5. Stakeholder Engagement The Panel noted the forthcoming stakeholder meetings with and the Jersey Farmers' Union and Jersey Business. The Panel discussed the value of engaging with key stakeholders to inform its work programme and further noted that additional stakeholder meetings would be arranged later in the year.	
6. Wildlife (Jersey) Law 2021 Briefing Paper The Panel considered and reviewed a briefing paper outlining the current position in relation to the Wildlife (Jersey) Law 2021. The Panel discussed the issues raised and agreed that, where appropriate, further questions would be incorporated into its forthcoming quarterly hearing with the Minister for Planning and Regulation in order to explore the implementation and operation of the Law in greater detail. The Panel also requested that a dedicated briefing on the subject be arranged, particularly to improve its understanding of invasive species, the practical application of the Law, and its interaction with other relevant legislation.	KC/RS
7. Draft Sea Fisheries (Les Ecréhous) (Jersey) Amendment Regulations 202- The Panel noted the lodging of the Draft Sea Fisheries (Les Écréhous) (Jersey) Amendment Regulations 202- [P.66/2026] by the Minister for the Environment. The Panel requested that officers undertake research into any previous work, evidence, or consideration of the matter by the Panel to inform its analysis and the development of potential questions. The Panel agreed to consider the findings of this work and subsequently determine whether a dedicated briefing on the proposition would be required.	KC/RS
8. Work Programme The Panel considered its current work programme and noted that a schedule of public quarterly hearings and review hearings in relation to the Proposed Budget 2027-2030 had been established. The Panel discussed the development of its work programme and agreed that this would continue to evolve as evidence gathered through the quarterly hearing process helped to identify emerging areas of interest, scrutiny priorities, and potential lines of inquiry.	
9. Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for Infrastructure The Panel noted that its first quarterly hearing with the Minister for Infrastructure was scheduled to take place at 12pm and allocated the question areas. The Panel welcomed the Minister for Infrastructure, the Assistant Minister and various government officers to the quarterly public hearing at 12pm. The hearing was recorded, and webcast live via Public-I and a transcript was produced.	
10. Post Hearing Discussion	

The Panel discussed areas from the hearing and agreed a number of areas of interest with the Communications Officer to share on social media. The Panel reviewed questions that had not been asked during the hearing and noted areas where witnesses had undertaken to provide further information. The Panel agreed that officers should draft a follow-up letter to the Minister seeking responses to the outstanding questions and the additional information committed to during the hearing.	
11. Private Briefing with the Minister for Planning and Regulation The Panel received a briefing from the Minister for Planning and Regulation and government officers on the Minister's portfolio responsibilities, key priorities, and anticipated work programme. A private file note was made of the briefing, classified as exempt in accordance with Qualified Exemption 36 of the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended).	
12. Future Meetings It was agreed that the Panel's next scheduled meeting would take place on Wednesday 23rd September in the Le Capelain room, States Building.	

Environment, Housing, and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 23rd September 2026

Present	Deputy Hilary Jeune, Chair Connétable Dave Curtis Deputy Arlene Maltman (From Quarterly Hearing Item 8 onwards) Deputy Alex Curtis
Apologies	Deputy Tom Coles, Vice Chair
In attendance	Item 8 only Senator Mary Le Hegarat, Minister for the Environment Senator Sir Mark Boleat, Minister for Planning and Resources Deputy Kirsten Morel, Assistant Minister for the Environment Deputy Phil Romeril, Assistant Minister for Planning and Resources Kevin Pilley, Head of Place and Spatial Planning, Cabinet Office Lisette Jones, Head of Environment and Climate, Cabinet Office Andrew Marx, Head of Development and Land, Department for Infrastructure and Environment Francis Binney, Head of Marine Resources and Management, Department for Infrastructure and Environment Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer (Items 1-7 only) Kathryn Fleming, Committee and Panel Officer Rosalyn Sharp, Research and Project Officer Gwyn Garfield-Bennett, Communications Officer

Agenda matter	Action
1. Declarations and Conflicts of Interest Connétable Dave Curtis declared, for the record, his business ownership of David Curtis Agricultural Contractors.	
2. Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for the Environment and the Minister for Planning and Regulation The Panel noted its joint quarterly hearing with the Minister for the Environment and the Minister for Planning and Regulation scheduled to take place at 1pm and allocated its question areas.	
3. Public Hearing with the Minister for Housing The Panel discussed potential lines of questioning for its forthcoming public hearing with the Minister for Housing, scheduled for 7th October 2026. In considering the proposed question areas, the Panel noted that the hearing would serve as both a quarterly hearing and a review hearing on the Proposed Budget 2027-2030. The Panel agreed that officers would prepare a draft question plan and circulate it to members electronically for review and comment.	KF/RS
4. Correspondence The Panel noted the response received from the Chair of the Comité des Connétables and agreed to maintain a watching brief on the implementation of the	

recommendations arising from the Animal Welfare Control Review Scrutiny Report [S.R.7/2026]. The Panel also considered and noted correspondence received from members of the public with regards to road works and housing. The Panel agreed the appropriate next steps in relation to the correspondence received including, where appropriate, incorporating lines of questioning into forthcoming quarterly hearings.	
5. Common Strategic Policy and Proposed Budget 2027-2030 lodging timelines The Panel discussed the forthcoming lodging of the Common Strategic Policy (CSP) and Proposed Budget 2027-2030 and noted the arrangements for its review. The Panel agreed that draft Terms of Reference, a scoping document and a draft communications plan should be prepared for consideration at its next scheduled meeting. The Panel discussed the implications of the CSP and Proposed Budget not yet having been lodged, noting that its first quarterly/review hearing with the Minister for Housing was scheduled for 7th October 2026. In light of the anticipated scrutiny workload, the Panel requested that officers explore options for arranging additional meetings following the lodging of the Proposed Government Plan and Proposed Common Strategic Policy, with due regard to member availability and quorum requirements.	KF/RS
6. Private Briefing: Consumer Protection The Panel noted that it had been scheduled to receive a private briefing on Consumer Protection on 28th September 2026. However, owing to the scheduling of a Proposed Budget 2027-2030 and Common Strategic Policy briefing, the Consumer Protection briefing was deferred and would be rescheduled in due course.	RS
7. Work Programme The Panel reviewed its current work programme and noted that it remained a live document which would continue to evolve in response to its ongoing scrutiny activities, including quarterly hearings, correspondence received, emerging policy developments and other matters arising during the course of its work.	
8. Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for the Environment and the Minister for Planning and Regulation The Panel welcomed the Minister for the Environment and the Minister for Planning and Regulation and various Government Officers for a public quarterly hearing at 1pm. The hearing was recorded, and webcast live via Public-I and a transcript was produced.	
9. Post Hearing Discussion The Panel discussed areas from the hearing and agreed a number of areas of interest with the Communications Officer to share on social media. The Panel discussed and agreed that any questions not addressed during the hearing would be included in a follow-up letter to the Ministers. The Panel further agreed that the letter would request any additional information or documentation that had been committed to during the hearing. The Panel requested that officers seek copies of relevant departmental risk registers in confidence to support its ongoing scrutiny work.	KF/RS
10. Future Meetings It was agreed that the Panel's next scheduled meeting would take place on Wednesday 7th October in the Le Capelain room, States Building.	

