REPLY BY THE PRESIDENT OF THE COMMITTEE FOR HEALTH & SOCIAL CARE TO A QUESTION POSED BY DEPUTY ST PIER PURSUANT TO RULE 14 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE

1. When publishing the summary of the Gedze report into mental health services on 29th November, the President is quoted as saying: "Mr Gedze has been asked to visit the Island in the New Year for further professional dialogue with staff working in this area."

To provide input into his work of 'assisting continuous improvement':

a) Will Mr Gedze have the opportunity to meet with other stakeholders, including service users and/or those who represent them?

Yes – Mr Gedze will have the opportunity to meet with third sector organisations with an interest in mental health and wellbeing, existing service users and service-user groups.

b) Will Mr Gedze have the opportunity to meet former staff who worked in this area, particularly those who left service since the completion of the original report?

The Committee is very keen to ensure that any further work presents a rounded picture of the Service, picking up areas for improvement as well as considering the progress made since the 2018 review. However, the Committee has not yet had the opportunity to agree the details of this further work with Mr Gedze to determine how this can best be achieved, the associated practical arrangements and if and how this may take into account the views of former staff. A defined scope of work is required to ensure that this will deliver against the Committee's aspirations and it is hoped that this can be agreed with Mr Gedze early in the New Year.

2. How much did the summary report cost?

£300.