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# GENERAL INFORMATION

## **Members of the Authority**

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#### **BOARD REPORT**

The voting members of the Authority ("the board") present their report and the audited financial statements of the Jersey Data Protection Authority (JDPA) ("The Authority") for the year ended 31st December 2020.

#### Incorporation

The JDPA was incorporated in Jersey under the Data Protection Authority (Jersey) Law 2018 ("DPAL") on 25 May 2018.

#### Corporate governance and delegation of authority

The JDPA, through the Board, carries the ultimate responsibility for the discharge of the responsibilities under the DPAL. The JDPA operates under the name of the Jersey Office of the Information Commissioner (JOIC).

The JDPA is the guardian of independence, sets the organisation's strategic direction, holds the Commissioner to account and provides the Commissioner with advice, support and encouragement. It ensures that JOIC provides value for money and complies with appropriate policies and procedures with respect to human resources, financial and asset management, and procurement.

The JDPA has the authority to appoint (or re-appoint) the Commissioner or remove the Commissioner from office. The JDPA has very limited operational responsibilities and these do not include day-today operations, individual casework or most enforcement decisions. The Board has the ability to delegate functions to the Commissioner, but cannot delegate the following functions: this power of delegation; the function of reviewing any of its decisions; the issuing of a public statement under Article 14 of the DPAL; the making of an order to pay an administrative fine; the preparation of the Annual Report. By a Board Resolution of 7 January 2019, the JDPA delegated all its functions to the Commissioner, in accordance with Article 10, except 'Reserved Functions' the Board will have the assistance of the Commissioner.

#### Results

The financial statements provide an overview of the Jersey Data Protection Authority's income and expenditure for 2020.

#### Goina Concern

The Board consider, given the financial condition of the Authority, the use of the going concern basis is appropriate for the current period and at least 12 months from the date of signing these financial statements.

#### **Independent Auditors**

The Comptroller and Auditor-General exercised her power under Article 43(3)(a) of the Data Protection Authority (Jersey) Law 2018 (as defined by the Comptroller and Auditor General (Jersey) Law 2014), to appoint Baker Tilly Channel Islands Limited as auditor of the authority for the 5 years from the year ended 31st December 2018 to 31st December 2022.

**APPROVED** 

30th April 2021

Date

#### STATEMENT OF BOARD'S RESPONSIBILITIES

The JDPA is responsible for preparing the board's report and the financial statements in accordance with applicable law and regulations.

The Data Protection Authority (Jersey) Law 2018 requires the board to prepare financial statements for each financial period. Under that law, the board have elected to prepare the financial statements in accordance with United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Section 1A of the Financial reporting Standards 102, the Financial Reporting Standard in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland ("FRS 102 1A") (collectively, United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice ("UK GAAP"). The board must not approve the financial statements unless they are satisfied that they give a true and fair view of the state of affairs of the Authority and of the surplus or deficit for that period.

In preparing these financial statements, the JDPA is required to:

- select suitable accounting policies and then apply them consistently;
- · make judgements and estimates that are reasonable and prudent;
- state whether applicable accounting standards have been followed, subject to any material departures as disclosed and explained in the financial statements; and
- · prepare the financial statements on a going concern basis unless it is inappropriate to presume that the Authority will continue in business.

The board are responsible for keeping adequate accounting records that are sufficient to show and explain the Authority's transactions and disclose with reasonable accuracy at any time the financial position of the Authority and enable them to ensure that the financial statements comply with the Data Protection Authority (Jersey) Law 2018. They are also responsible for safeguarding the assets of the JDPA and hence for taking reasonable steps for the prevention and detection of fraud and other irregularities

The JDPA at the date of approval of this report confirm that:

- · So far the board are aware, there is no relevant audit information of which the Authority's auditor is unaware; and
- each board member has taken all steps that they ought to have taken as a member to make themselves aware of any relevant audit
  information and to establish that the JDPA's auditor is aware of that information.

#### **APPROVED**

30th April 2021



# **JERSEY DATA PROTECTION AUTHORITY (JDPA)**

# INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT TO THE MINISTER OF THE GOVERNMENT OF JERSEY

# **Opinion**

We have audited the financial statements of the Jersey Data Protection Authority (the "Authority") for the year ended 31 December 2020 which comprise of the statement of comprehensive income and retained earnings, statement of financial position and the related notes including a summary of significant accounting policies. The financial framework that has been applied in their preparation is the Data Protection Authority (Jersey) Law 2018 ("the Law") and United Kingdom Accounting Standards, including Section 1A of Financial Reporting Standard 102 The Financial Reporting Standard in the United Kingdom and Republic of Ireland ("FRS 102 1A") (collectively, United Kingdom Generally Accepted Accounting Practice ("UK GAAP").

In our opinion the financial statements:

- give a true and fair view of the state of the Authority's affairs as at 31 December 2020 and of its surplus for the year then ended;
- have been properly prepared in accordance with UK GAAP; and
- have been properly prepared in accordance with the requirements of the Law.

# **Basis for opinion**

We conducted our audit in accordance with International Standards on Auditing (UK) (ISAs (UK)) and applicable law. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements section of our report. We are independent of the Authority in accordance with the ethical requirements that are relevant to our audit of the financial statements in Jersey, including the FRC's Ethical Standard, and we have fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with these requirements. We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our opinion.

# Conclusions relating to going concern

In auditing the financial statements, we have concluded that the Authority's use of the going concern basis of accounting in the preparation of the financial statements is appropriate. Based on the work we have performed, we have not identified any material uncertainties relating to events or conditions that, individually or collectively, may cast significant doubt on the entity's ability to continue as a going concern for a period of at least twelve months from when the financial statements are authorised for issue. Our responsibilities and the responsibilities of the Authority with respect to going concern are described in the relevant sections of this report.

# Other information

The Board of voting members of the Authority ("the Board") with delegation to the Information Commissioner ("the Commissioner") are responsible for the other information. The other information comprises the information included in the financial statements, other than the audited financial statements and our auditor's report thereon. Our opinion on the financial statements does not cover the other information and, except to the extent otherwise explicitly stated in our report, we do not express any form of assurance conclusion thereon. In connection with our audit of the financial statements, our responsibility is to read the other information and, in doing so, consider whether the other information is materially inconsistent with the financial statements or our knowledge obtained in the audit or otherwise appears to be materially misstated. If we identify such material inconsistencies or apparent material misstatements, we are required to determine whether there is a material misstatement in the financial statements or a material misstatement of the other information. If, based on the work performed, we conclude that there is a material misstatement of this other information, we are required to report that fact. We have nothing to report in this regard.



# JERSEY DATA PROTECTION AUTHORITY (JDPA) INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT - CONTINUED

# Matters on which we are required to report by exception

In light of our knowledge and understanding of the Authority and its environment obtained in the course of the audit, we have not identified material misstatements in the Board's report.

We have nothing to report in respect of the following matters where our engagement letter requires us to report to you if, in our opinion:

- whether proper accounting records have not been kept by the Authority;
- whether proper returns adequate for the audit have not been received from branches not visited by us; and
- whether the Authority's accounts are in agreement with its accounting records and returns.

# Responsibilities of the Board

As explained more fully in the Board's responsibilities statement on page 3, the Board is responsible for the preparation of the financial statements and for being satisfied that they give a true and fair view, and for such internal control as the Board determines necessary to enable the preparation of financial statements that are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error.

In preparing the financial statements, the Board is responsible for assessing the Authority's ability to continue as a going concern, disclosing, as applicable, matters related to going concern and using the going concern basis of accounting unless the Board either intend to liquidate the Authority or to cease operations, or have no realistic alternative but to do so.

# Auditor's responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements

Our objectives are to obtain reasonable assurance about whether the financial statements as a whole are free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error, and to issue an auditor's report that includes our opinion. Reasonable assurance is a high level of assurance, but is not a guarantee that an audit conducted in accordance with ISAs (UK) will always detect a material misstatement when it exists. Misstatements can arise from fraud or error and are considered material if, individually or in aggregate, they could reasonably be expected to influence the economic decisions of users taken on the basis of these financial statements.

Irregularities, including fraud, are instances of non-compliance with laws and regulations. We design procedures in line with our responsibilities, outlined above, to detect material misstatements in respect of irregularities, including fraud. The extent to which our procedures are capable of detecting irregularities, including fraud is detailed below:

- analytical procedures on significant and material balances (such as revenue and staff costs)
   and corroborated the information therein with underlying agreements;
- journal testing including an analysis of journals to assess if there were unusual entries pointing to irregularities including fraud; and
- confirmed bank balances with counterparties in order to obtain independent support for the balance recognised at year end.

A further description of our responsibilities for the audit of the financial statements is located on the Financial Reporting Council's website at <a href="https://www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities">www.frc.org.uk/auditorsresponsibilities</a>. This description forms part of our auditor's report.



# JERSEY DATA PROTECTION AUTHORITY (JDPA) INDEPENDENT AUDITOR'S REPORT - CONTINUED

# Use of this report

This report is made solely to the Minister and the Comptroller and Auditor General in accordance with section 43 of the Law. Our audit work has been undertaken so that we might state to the Minister and the Comptroller and Auditor General those matters we are required to state to them in an auditor's report and for no other purpose.

To the fullest extent permitted by law, we do not accept or assume responsibility to anyone other than the Authority, the Minister and the Comptroller and Auditor General for our audit work, for this report, or for the opinions we have formed.

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**Baker Tilly Channel Islands Limited** 

**Chartered Accountants** 

St Helier, Jersey

Date: 30 April 2021

# STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME AND RETAINED EARNINGS

	Notes	2020 £	2019 £
Turnover	4	1,778,154	222,646
Operating expenses	5	(1,597,212)	(1,479,260)
Surplus /( Deficit) on ordinary activities		180,942	(1,256,614)
Other income Government grant	6	<u>260,000</u> 260,000	1,396,074 1,396,074
Taxation	7	N <u>2</u> 1	
Surplus for the year		440,942	139,460
Retained Surplus as at 1st January 2020		139,460	
Retained Surplus as at 31st December 2020		580,402	139,460

The JDPA's turnover and expenses all relate to continuing operations. There are no recognised gains or losses other than those shown above.

The notes on pages 9 - 12 form part of these Audited Financial Statements

## STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION

ASSETS	Notes	2020	2019
Fixed assets		£	£
Tangible assets	8	23,744	47,485
Intangible assets	9	128,879	74,129
		152,623	121,614
Current assets			
Trade and other receivables	10	40,799	74,184
Cash and cash equivalents	11	462,442	
	8	503,241	74,184
TOTAL ASSETS	74	655,864	195,798
CREDITORS – amounts falling due within one year			
Trade and other payables	12	(75,462)	(56,338)
	1)3	(75,462)	(56,338)
TOTAL ASSETS LESS CURRENT LIABILITIES	- 68 19	580,402	139,460
EQUITY			
Share Capital	13		
Reserves	15	580,402	139,460
TOTAL EQUITY		580,402	139,460

The financial statements on pages 7 to 12 have been prepared in accordance with the Data Protection Authority (Jersey) Law 2018 and Section 1A of Financial Reporting Standard 102.

The notes on pages 9 - 12 form part of these Audited Financial Statements

The accounts were approved and authorised for issue on 30th April 2021 by the board and signed on its behalf by:

# JERSEY DATA PROTECTION AUTHORITY (JDPA) AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

#### NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

#### 1. General Information

The Jersey Data Protection Authority (JDPA) (the "Authority") was created by the Data Protection (Jersey) Law 2018 on 25 May 2018 and is responsible for the registration and regulation of Data Protection in Jersey. This law transferred all responsibilities for registration and regulation of Data Protection prescribed as the duty of the Minister or other States bodies to this new Authority. The Authority is a body corporate and its registered office is 2nd Floor, 5 Castle Street, St Helier, Jersey, JE2 3BT.

#### 2. Statement of compliance

The financial statements have been prepared in compliance with Section 1A of Financial Reporting Standard 102 (FRS 102) 'The Financial Reporting Standard applicable in the UK and Republic of Ireland' issued by the Financial Reporting Council and the Data Protection Authority (Jersey) Law 2018.

#### 3. Summary of Significant accounting policies

The principle accounting policies applied in the preparation of these financial statements are set out below. These policies have been consistently applied to all years presented, unless otherwise stated.

## Basis of accounting

The financial statements have been prepared on the going concern basis, under the historical cost convention. The Authority has applied the small entities regime under FRS 102(1A), which allows qualifying entities certain disclosure exemptions. The Authority has taken advantage of the exemption from preparing a statement of cash flows under paragraph 7.1b.

#### Functional and presentational currency

The financial statements are prepared in Pounds Sterling (GBP or £) which is the functional and presentational currency of the Authority.

#### Accounting estimates

The preparation of financial statements requires the use of certain accounting estimates, It also requires management to exercise its judgement in the process of applying accounting policies, Accounting estimates involve management's judgment of expected future benefits and obligations relating to assets and liabilities (and associated expenses and income) based on information that best reflects the conditions and circumstances that exist at the reporting date. There have been no changes to the accounting estimates from the previous financial period.

#### (i) Going concern

The board consider, given the financial condition of the Authority, the use of the going concern basis is appropriate for the current period and for 12 months from the date of signing these accounts.

#### (ii) Provisions

Provisions are recognised when the Authority has a present legal or constructive obligation, as a result of past events, for which it is probable that an outflow of economic benefits will be required to settle the obligation in future and the amount of the obligations can be reliably estimated.

## (iii) Economic useful lives of intangible and tangible fixed assets

The Authority's tangible fixed assets are depreciated on a straight-line basis over their economic useful lives. Useful economic lives of equipment are reviewed by management periodically. The review is based on the current condition of the assets and the estimated periodically which they will continue to bring an economic benefit to the Authority.

### Revenue recognition

### Registration fees

Under the terms of Data Protection Authority (Jersey) Law 2018 registrations made to the Authority are valid for one year. The registration fees are non-refundable and fall due each year on 1st January. Income from registrations is recognised when it is earned.

## Operating Expenses

Expenses are accounted for on an accruals basis.

## Employment benefits

### Pension costs

Staff initially employed by the States of Jersey before 3 September 2010 of which there are several members which are part of the Public Employees Contributory Retirement Scheme ("PECRS"). The Authority is not responsible to fund any deficit and to maintain the specific level of the pension assets to meet pension liabilities. The assets are held separately from those of the Government of Jersey. Contribution rates are determined by an independent qualified actuary so as to spread the costs of providing benefits over the members' expected service lives.

Contributions to the scheme have been accounted for as if they are contributions to a defined contribution scheme at a rate of 16%. (2019: 16%)

Actuarial valuations are performed on a triennial basis; the most recently published was the PEPF Actuarial Valuation for 31 December 2018 on 8th January 2020. The main purposes of the valuations are to review the operation of the scheme, to report on its financial condition, and to confirm the adequacy of the contributions to support the scheme benefits. Copies of the latest annual accounts of the scheme, and States of Jersey, may be obtained from the States Treasury, 19-21 Broad St, St Helier, JE2 3RR or online at: www.gov.je/Working/WorkingForTheStates/Pensions/PublicEmployeePensionFund/Pages/PublicServicePensionPublications.aspx

# JERSEY DATA PROTECTION AUTHORITY (JDPA) AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

#### Interest receivable

Interest receivable is accounted for on an accruals basis.

#### Government Grant

Grants are recognised in other income in the year the related costs are incurred by the Authority for which the grant is intended to compensate. For grants which are received by the Authority for compensation for expenses or deficit which have already been incurred, the grant is recognised in income when it is received or receivable.

#### Tangible assets

Tangible assets consists of office equipment which is stated at historical cost less accumulated depreciation. Cost includes all costs directly attributable to bringing the asset to working condition for its intended use. Depreciation is calculated on the straight-line method to write-off the cost of equipment to their estimated residual values over their expected useful lives as follows:

- Office equipment 3 years
- IT equipment 3 years

The useful lives and depreciation methods used are reviewed regularly and any adjustments required are effected in the charge for the current and future years as a change in accounting estimate. Gains and losses on disposal of equipment are determined by reference to their carrying amounts and are taken into account in determining net profit. Repairs and renewals are charged to the statement of profit or loss and other comprehensive income when the expenditure is incurred. The carrying values of the plant and equipment are reviewed for impairment when events or changes in circumstances indicate the carrying values may not be recoverable. If any such indication exists, and where the carrying values exceed the estimated recoverable amounts, the plant and equipment are written-down to their recoverable amounts.

#### Intangible assets

Externally acquired intangible assets (softwares) are initially recognised at cost and subsequently amortised on a straight-line basis over their useful economic lives of 5 years. The carrying amount of each intangible asset is reviewed periodically and adjusted for impairment where considered necessary.

The Authority's policy is to review the remaining useful economic lives and residual values of property, plant and equipment on an ongoing basis and to adjust the depreciation charge to reflect the remaining estimated useful economic life and residual value.

#### Financial assets

Basic financial assets, including trade and other receivables and cash and bank balances are initially recognised at transaction price, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the transaction is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest. Subsequent measurement shall be at fair value with the change in fair value recognised in profit or loss

Financial assets are derecognised when (a) the contractual rights to the cash flows from the asset expire or are settled, or (b) substantially all the risks and rewards of the ownership of the asset are transferred to another party or (c) despite having retained some significant risks and rewards of ownership, control of the asset has been transferred to another party who has the practical ability to unilaterally sell the asset to an unrelated third party without imposing additional restrictions.

### Trade and other receivables

Trade and other receivables are initially recognised at their fair value and are carried at their anticipated realisable values. An allowance is made for impaired trade and other receivables based on a review of all outstanding amounts at the year-end. Bad debts are written-off during the year in which they are identified. Subsequent measurement will see the change in the realisable value recognised in profit or loss

### Cash and cash equivalents

Cash and cash equivalents comprise cash on hand and other short-term highly liquid investments with original maturities of three months or less.

### Financial liabilities

Basic financial liabilities, including trade and other payables are initially recognised at transaction price, unless the arrangement constitutes a financing transaction, where the debt instrument is measured at the present value of the future receipts discounted at a market rate of interest, Financial liabilities are derecognised when the liability is extinguished, that is when the contractual obligation is discharged, cancelled or expires.

### Trade and other payables

Trade payables are obligations to pay for goods or services that have been acquired in the ordinary course of business from suppliers.

Accounts payable are classified as current liabilities if payment is due within one year or less. If not, they are presented as non- current liabilities.

Trade payables are recognised initially at transaction price and subsequently measured at amortised cost using the effective interest method.

### Contingencies

Contingent liabilities, arising as a result of past events, are disclosed when it is possible that there will be an outflow of resources but the amount cannot be reliably measured at the reporting date. Contingent liabilities are disclosed in the financial statements unless the probability of an outflow is remote.

Contingent assets are disclosed in the financial statements but not recognised where an inflow of economic benefits is probable.

# JERSEY DATA PROTECTION AUTHORITY (JDPA) AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

#### 4. Turnover

Turnover is made up of registration fees under the terms of Data Protection Authority (Jersey) Law 2018. All turnover arose in Jersey,

5. Operating expenses	2020	2019
	£	£
Staff including Commissioner and Deputy Commissioner	901,657	753,495
Services and Communications	426,623	382,156
Administrative Expenses	66,880	18,644
Audit and accountancy fees	15,135	15,000
Premises and Maintenance	111,572	265,351
Bank charges	14,749	2,339
Depreciation and amortisation	60,595	42,275
	1,597,211	1,479,260

# 6. Government grant

Any net deficit by the Authority is financed by the Government of Jersey under a partnership agreement signed in 2018 ("2018 partnership agreement" or "partnership agreement")

#### 7. Taxation

Article 42 of the Data Protection Authority (Jersey) Law 2018 provides that the income of the Authority shall not be liable to income tax under the Income Tax (Jersey) Law 1961.

8. Tangible assets		2020		
	066	£		
0	Office equipment	IT equipment	Total	
Cost				
As at beginning of year Additions in the year	35,815	35,413	71,228	
Additions in the year	35,815	35,413	71,228	
Accumulated depreciation				
As at beginning of year	11,938	11,804	23,742	
Depreciation charge for the year	11,938	11,804	23,742	
	23,876	23,608	47,484	
Net book value	_			
As at 31 December 2020	11,939	11,805	23,744	
As at 31 December 2019	23,877	23,609	47,486	
			2020	
9. Intangible assets			£	
Software			~	
Cost				
As at beginning of year			92,661	
Addition			91,603	
		-	184,264	
Accumulated amortisation				
As at beginning of year			18,532	
Ammortisation charge for the year			36,853	
		_	55,385	
Net book value				
Net book value As at 31 December 2020 As at 31 December 2019			128,879	

The Authority acquired a website from the previous Data Protection department at nil Net Book Value.

10. Trade and other receivables	2020	2019
	£	£
Trade Debtors	13,122	14
Government Grant		56,338
Prepayments	27,677	17,846
	40,799	74,184

# JERSEY DATA PROTECTION AUTHORITY (JDPA) AUDITED FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

# NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS (CONTINUED) FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 DECEMBER 2020

#### 11. Cash and cash equivalents

The Authority has £462,442 at the end of the year (2019: nil) All balances were transferred to the Government of Jersey up to 31st December 2019 in line with the 2018 partnership agreement (see note 6).

12. Trade and other payable	2020	2019
	£	£
Accruals and trade creditors	(75,462)	(56,338)
	(75,462)	(56,338)

#### 13. Share capital

The JDPA was incorporated in Jersey under the Data Protection Authority (Jersey) Law 2018 and has no share capital.

14. Related Party Transactions	2020	2019
	£	£
Commissioner	154,582	147,759
Chair	11,250	11,250
Voting member	7,200	7,200
Voting member	7,200	7,200
Voting member	7,200	7,200
Voting member	7,200	3,600
Voting member	7,200	3,600
	201,832	187.809

Key management personnel includes the Commissioner and the Voting Members who together have authority and responsibility for planning, directing and controlling the activities of the JDPA.

All amounts paid to key management personal were in line with a contractual agreement and entirely related to JDPA services.

The JPDA has recognised £260,000 (2019: £1,396,074) as grant income from the Government of Jersey. The JDPA is accountable to the Government of Jersey, who incorporated it.

#### 15. Controlling Party

The JDPA was incorporated in Jersey under the Data Protection Authority (Jersey) Law 2018 and works as an independent Authority. As such, it is not considered to have a controlling party.

## 16. Litigation

The Authority is party to a legal matter that it believes is being finalised. £15,000 of legal costs have therefore been recognised in accruals (note 12) in this regard. In consultation with the Authority's legal counsel, the likelihood of paying additional legal costs is deemed to be remote and likewise it is not expected that the matter will proceed further to the appeal stage. Nevertheless, the matter has not been resolved as at the date of these financial statements. No contingent liability has been recognised on the basis of the information available to date.

# 17. Subsequent Events

In early 2020, the World Health Organisation (WHO) had reported several cases of an unusual form of pneumonia originating in Wuhan, China. Substantive information has come to light identifying coronavirus (or COVID-19) as the cause of a global pandemic which was officially declared in March 2020. The pandemic continues as at the date of the financial statements.

The JDPA does not expect to face any significant problems with operations over the next 12 months as all operations remain virtually open with the JDPA's employees mainly working remotely to decrease the probability of being infected. Furthermore, management is not expecting a major impact on the financial position of the JDPA as, under the 2018 partnership agreement, any shortfall is financed by the Government of Jersey through government grants.

The JDPA will continue to closely monitor the pandemic as an increase in magnitude and duration may lead to a long term general economic downturn.