



Jersey Landlords' Association - Press Release – 31 January 2024

Re: Election of Deputy Mézec as Housing Minister

The JLA welcomes Deputy Mézec's election speech comments on the reduction of homelessness and the increase in the affordability of housing through improvements to infrastructure and the increase in the supply of the right kind of new homes. We equally support his comments on shared ownership schemes for first time buyers.

On changes to residential tenancy law, over 300 landlords, tenants and charities have responded to a recent consultation, which is now complete. We trust that Deputy Mézec will not ignore these voices in seeking to find a balance that is right for all stakeholders in Jersey's housing market.

Landlords are also affected by the cost-of-living crisis and have repair, maintenance and mortgage bills to pay. These costs have spiralled over the last few years, by more than RPI in many cases.

We look forward to working constructively with the Minister in future and know that he will act objectively when making policy.

We know too that he will stick to the commitments he made to secure his Ministerial position when faced with tensions between these and his manifesto.

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Note to editors: The Jersey Landlord Association is a private association with 260 members. Its goal is to promote an environment in which relationships between Jersey's landlords and their tenants can thrive. By working with Government to achieve a positive and fair industry, the Jersey Landlords Association aid and assist our members in driving up standards, achieving a high level of legal and regulatory compliance and promoting industry best practice.

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