



Health and
Community Services

Older Persons Living Forum

17/04/2024

Government of Jersey

Agenda Items – Meeting 9

Item	Description
1	Welcome/Introductions
2	Women's health
3	New healthcare facilities team presentation
4	Assisted dying proposals presentation

Item	Discussion & Agreement
1	<p>Welcome/Introductions</p> <p>The members of the forum introduced themselves and the Co-Chair reviewed the general housekeeping of the meeting so that the forum was accessible to everybody.</p>
2	Women's health

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	<p>The Women's Health team joined the forum to explain they are conducting a review of the health and wellbeing needs of women and girls in Jersey, to help inform the development of services that support women to live longer and healthier lives.</p> <p>They have requested for islanders to share their views and help make a difference by completing the following survey before the 21st of May: Women's health and wellbeing survey (gov.je)</p> <p>Hard copies of the survey were handed out at the forum which include a free post stamp, so you are able to return the survey.</p> <p>The data collected will be used for designing the policy in the future.</p>
3	<p>New healthcare facilities team presentation.</p> <p>The new healthcare facilities team joined the meeting to update the forum on the progress of the new hospital. The team assured the members of the forum that the planned construction of the hospital was progressing smoothly and on track. Questions about the programme were answered following the presentation and the representatives from the team will return to the forum in the future to receive feedback from the group and share further updates</p>
4	<p>Assisted dying proposals presentation</p>

Item**Discussion & Agreement**

A member of the health policy team joined the forum to provide information and receive feedback on the assisted dying proposal. There will be a debate on assisted dying by the States Assembly on the 21st of May 2024. If the States Assembly approve the policy proposal, work will commence on the preparation of a draft assisted dying law.

The law will set out the eligibility criteria for accessing assisted dying. The individual must be over the age of 18, have decision making capacity, be a resident in Jersey for at least 12 months, have an informed and voluntary wish to end their life and either have a terminal physical medical condition (route 1) or an incurable physical condition, causing unbearable suffering (route 2).

If you would like more information on the assisted dying proposal please see the link and PowerPoint below:

[Assisted dying in Jersey \(gov.je\)](https://www.gov.je/assisted-dying)



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5	Next meeting date 2:00pm on Wednesday 19 th June 2024