

Dear Islanders

I wanted to summarise the progress of the PFAS Scientific Advisory Panel so far and provide the future meeting dates for the panel, so that you can add these to your diary, should you wish.

On the 8 June, myself, and Dr Steve Hajioff, the Independent PFAS Scientific Advisory Panel Chair, met with some of you during the residents' engagement introductory meeting in St Peter. We welcomed the opportunity to meet in person and hear your views. Please find the minutes of this meeting attached to this newsletter.

During the residents' engagement meeting on the 8th concern was raised about PFAS polluted borehole water feeding the mains water supply. Dr Tim Du Feu, Head of Land Resource Management gave assurance that the stream source used by Jersey Water at Pont Marquet and the boreholes in the Jersey Water well field in St Ouen's Bay remain out of service. We feel it is important to restate this information as part of this newsletter.

The first meeting of the PFAS Scientific Advisory Panel was held on 15 June, and Islanders were invited to observe the panel at work. The chair, along with Dr Tony Fletcher, PFAS and health expert and epidemiologist and Professor Ian Cousins, PFAS and environment expert, presented a summary of the research from around the world and discussed the next steps for developing the first interim report. This report will be a review of therapeutic phlebotomy which means having blood taken to reduce PFAS levels.

The Chair has invited Islanders to write in with questions for the panel and submit evidence for them to review, regarding the review of therapeutic phlebotomy. Please email publichealth@gov.je. In addition to submitting evidence and questions, when the panel begin to work on report two, which will examine the health impacts of PFAS, we will contact you to request your testimonies as experts by experience. These are of great interest to the Panel, and we will contact you to request them at the appropriate time.

The next meetings of the Panel will be held online, please email to request the meeting link if you wish to observe or to request a copy of the recording or minutes of the meetings.

Panel meeting dates

7 July, 10:00-11:30am

4 August, 10:00-11:30am

6 September, 10:00-11:30am

We will also be adding meeting information and agendas to the website [PFAS in Jersey \(gov.je\)](#)

Best wishes

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