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Report in respect of Ministerial Decision to approve two Mental Health (Jersey) Law 2016 Administrators (MD-HCS-2019-)

There is an urgent need to supplement the existing provision in respect of the Mental Health (Jersey) Law 2016 Administrator.

There are currently three persons formally appointed by the Minister for Health and Community Services. One of these members of staff, Debbie Devine, is due to leave Jersey at the end of March. Karen Wilson has changed her role, she was appointed for the purposes of being a signatory as opposed to being actively required to undertake the functions associated with the role. The other remains in post but is unable to meet all of the requirements of the role without further support.

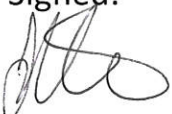
As a result, additional provision is required urgently. This has been sourced in the form of the proposed redeployment two permanent staff members, Bradley Chambers and Toby Farlan. These two staff members currently work in the Legislation Team as Capacity and Liberty Officers.

The proposed redeployment can only take place pending a Ministerial Decision being granted.

If the Decision is granted, the following benefits can be achieved:

- Adequate provision to cover periods of annual leave both immediately and in the longer term
- Adequate provision to enable the transition from the current arrangements to the appointment of a full time Administrator and Assistant Administrator (estimated May 2019)
- Facility to provide induction support to both the full time Administrator and Assistant Administrator

Signed:



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