

# Appointment of Administrator under the Mental Health (Jersey) Law 2016

## Introduction

<u>Article 4 of the Mental Health (Jersey) Law 2016</u> allows the Minister for Health and Social Services ("the Minister") to appoint an administrator.

### Background

Allison Le Couteur is the current Administrator and has been in post since July 2019.

A second administrator is required to act as a deputy to provide additional support in fulfilling the statutory requirements of the <u>Mental Health (Jersey) Law 2016</u> and <u>Capacity and Self-Determination (Jersey) Law 2016</u>, and to support any annual or sickness leave.

In July 2023, the second administrator role became vacant. A new appointee, Elaine Harris, will commence the role on 16 October 2023 and the new appointee is required to be formally appointed as an administrator.

#### Recommendation

The Minister is recommended to appoint Elaine Harris as an administrator under Article 4 of the Mental Health (Jersey) Law 2016.

#### **Resource Implications**

There are no new manpower or financial implications arising from this decision.