Minister for Treasury and Resources



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Kate Briden

Chief Officer - Department for Justice and Home Affairs

BY EMAIL

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Dear Kate,

Funding for JAAR

I understand that:

- following discussions with Jersey Action Against Rape, the charity has requested up to £131,375 of funding in 2023, which through your department in managing a charitable agreement are willing to provide;
- a business case has been drafted and is recommended for approval by the Investment Appraisal Team;
- there is a need to provide the funding to JAAR before the formal process to allocate funding can be completed;
- you wish to ensure that, as an Accountable Officer with legal obligations, you are not at risk of breaching the Public Finances Law or Manual.

In order to satisfy your legal obligations, I can confirm that you will have access to an allocation of up to £131,375 from the General Reserve in 2023 for this expenditure.

This letter will allow you to incur the necessary initial expenditure and/or make contractual commitments. In doing so, I ask you that you:

- ensure compliance with the Public Finances Manual, seeking exemptions, as necessary;
- you do not enter into any contractual commitments beyond the total £131,375 assurance provided by this letter.

As with all allocations from the General Reserve, funding will be made available only for this specific purpose, and the amount may be reduced should it become apparent your department is able to meet the costs from within existing approved expenditure limits.

For the avoidance of doubt, this letter does not obviate the need for a formal budget allocation. It remains necessary for an allocation to be made from the General Reserve on the basis of an approved business justification case to allow you to meet your legal obligation to manage within existing expenditure limits. I request that you progress the necessary steps to enable the formal allocation to take place so the process may be completed in a timely manner and no later than the end of the third quarter.

Yours sincerely

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