

Information Note: Statement on Royal Mail Consultation

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Information Note

In response to media queries the Jersey Competition Regulatory Authority (the **Authority**) issued the following statement on the 18 May about the Royal Mail consultation. The consultation is considering changes to Royal Mail's operational relationship with the postal authorities of the Crown Dependencies. To help provide stakeholders with clarity on the Authority's position the statement is reproduced below.

STATEMENT FROM THE JERSEY COMPETITION REGULATORY AUTHORITY

The Jersey Competition Regulatory Authority (the Authority) is aware of the <u>consultation</u> launched by Royal Mail, which includes reference to its operational relationship with the postal authorities of the Crown Dependencies.

The Authority is monitoring progress of the consultation but is not able to comment further because the process is ongoing.

As the regulator for postal services in the Island the Authority is mindful of the importance to balance Jersey Post's commercial needs with Islanders' expectations of the postal services it delivers.

The Authority commenced a <u>strategic review of postal services</u> in October last year, and in March 2023 announced it has commissioned independent research to further explore Islanders' views on the current supply of postal services in Jersey and to help identify future needs. A consultation for the review will be published in the summer.

No further comment or interviews will be given on this matter at the current time.

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