

Press Release

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The States of Alderney welcomes Professor Wilson's report. We consider it very thorough. That the report is to some extent reliant on anecdote does not detract from its conclusions. Professor Wilson did not have access to the databases that would more usually be the foundation of such work. Instead he had to rely on interviews with a very willing population.

The report makes some important recommendations - including a need for the collection and compilation of data to substantiate investment and institutional change. Most importantly, the report highlights:

- the differences between Alderney and Guernsey and the consequent requirement for different approaches to primary medical care on the two islands;
- the options for institutional change in the way that primary and secondary health care might be delivered.

These are important matters and we look forward to working with Guernsey for appropriate change.

Finally, and not least, we welcome the request for a full and heartfelt apology to Dr Lyons.

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Chairman, Policy and Finance Committee

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