

**Corporate Scrutiny Committee – 12 April 2022**

**Written question from James Cave of Freshwater to the Corporate Scrutiny Committee**

In relation to the Draft Island Plan, has a proper Housing Needs Survey been conducted?

***Response***

The Draft IPS looks at housing need on an Island-wide level and is supported by a comprehensive Housing Needs Assessment, originally undertaken in 2018 and subsequently updated in 2022. The HNA documents will be published as part of the evidence base alongside the Regulation 19 submission version of the IPS should Full Council decide to accept the recommendation to publish. The draft IPS has been amended following the last consultation to recognise the key role that parish, town and community councils can play in providing local detail through housing needs surveys. There is also a greater opportunity for community representatives to be involved at the earliest possible stage to help identify those needs and shape the type and tenure of new housing.