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# Tranche One of the Cyber Security Programme has been delivered in a challenging environment

## Comptroller and Auditor General issues latest report

Comptroller and Auditor General (C&AG), Lynn Pamment, has today, 6 May 2022 published a report on the ***Cyber Security Arrangements***.

The report evaluates the progress of the Government of Jersey Cyber Security Programme (CSP) tranche one.

Lynn Pamment found that an objectively assessed improvement in cyber security maturity has been delivered through Tranche One of the CSP although completion of Tranche One was delayed by approximately six months.

The C&AG found that, although more than 80% of 'must have' deliverables were delivered in Tranche One, some were deferred to tranche two and others were removed from the scope of the CSP. Decisions to defer work or remove it from the scope of the CSP were not documented consistently.

Lynn Pamment concluded that, whilst there were many strengths in the governance model implemented to manage delivery of the CSP, the tracking of benefits at the corporate level was limited.

### **Lynn Pamment said:**

"Tranche one of the CSP has been delivered in a challenging environment, as the COVID-19 pandemic changed operational priorities and stretched resources across the Government of Jersey.

Cyber security maturity has increased across all operational areas covered by the tranche one workstreams.

However, delays to the CSP cannot solely be attributed to the effects of the COVID-19 pandemic and the associated restrictions and changes to operational priorities.

The success of large transformation projects is reliant on effective prioritisation, communication and engagement. The CSP has implemented communication pathways with business units across Government. However, the prioritisation of transformation programmes and projects and of the interdependencies between concurrent transformation programmes and projects could be further improved. In particular there should be increased communication at the leadership level and more effective planning and prioritisation processes."

The report *Cyber Security Arrangements* can be found at: <https://www.jerseyauditoffice.je>

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