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## **LYNN PAMMENT APPOINTED AS COMPTROLLER AND AUDITOR GENERAL**

The States Assembly has appointed Lynn Pamment as Comptroller and Auditor General (C&AG) for a seven-year fixed term commencing on 1 January 2020. Lynn is currently a senior partner with PwC, a major audit and consulting firm, and has extensive experience of audit in the public and private sectors.

Lynn will take over the running of the Jersey Audit Office, which was set up by the current C&AG, Karen McConnell, following her 2013 report 'Public Audit in Jersey'.

**Peter Price, Chairman of the Board of Governance of the Comptroller and Auditor General, said:**

"I am delighted that we have secured such a highly qualified person to succeed Karen McConnell as C&AG. Several very experienced candidates were interviewed and Lynn was the unanimous choice of the selection panel. Her ambition to be a worthy successor to Karen and her understanding of what was required shone through.

"The breadth and relevance of Lynn's past experience will enable her, with the help of Karen, to achieve a relatively seamless transition. Karen has an extensive programme of work in progress. In the next few months, she will conclude and publish her remaining reports and manage the handover to Lynn.

"The Board want to work with Karen and Lynn to facilitate the successful completion of this work programme. The Jersey Audit Office has a vital role in promoting effective governance and value for money in public expenditure. Though C&AG reports are often critical of some matters, the purpose is to offer valuable constructive ideas which help organisations to improve."

**Lynn Pamment said:**

"I am proud and delighted to be taking on the role of C&AG for Jersey at this important time. I look forward to ensuring a smooth transition from Karen and to continuing to develop the excellent work she has undertaken with the Jersey Audit Office."

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### **Notes to Editors:**

- The Office of Comptroller and Auditor General ('C&AG') was established in 2005 and operates under the Comptroller and Auditor General (Jersey) Law 2014
- The remit of the C&AG includes the audit of financial statements, corporate governance, internal control and wider consideration of public funds, often expressed as 'value for money'
- Karen McConnell was appointed in 2013 and the term of office was extended in 2014 to 31 December 2019. Following the introduction of the Comptroller and Auditor General (Jersey) Law 2014 the term of office is now fixed at seven years and is non-renewable
- Formerly of the UK Audit Commission ('the Commission'), Karen held a variety of senior positions, including leading the Audit Practice
- Karen has a full programme of work which she intends to fulfil before the end of her term of office. Lynn Pamment will take up the post of C&AG from 1 January 2020 and handover arrangements are being overseen by the Board of Governance of the C&AG
- The Office of Comptroller & Auditor General is known as the 'Jersey Audit Office'
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### **Comptroller and Auditor General's Policy regarding issue of reports and contact with the media:**

- Press releases will be published by the Jersey Audit Office to accompany the publication of each report
- Embargo times, where set, will be at 0001 hours on the day of publication - for press releases, reports and all other information pertaining to the publication date
- Other press releases/ statements may be made on an occasional basis and not necessarily dependent upon the publication of a report. They will be subject to the same embargoes where set
- With any report issued, the opportunity is available for members of the press to request factual clarification, by email, of points contained therein
- Any comments made additional to any reports, will be included within any press release(s) as issued by the Jersey Audit Office, in the form of a quotation by the C&AG. These comments will be available for publication; but there will not be any supplementary live or pre-recorded interviews offered or undertaken by either Karen McConnell or the employees of the Jersey Audit Office



- The C&AG is prepared, on an occasional basis, to provide articles for publication in the local media, following a specific request and consideration of the relevant topic
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