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The purpose of the Annual Report and Accounts is to detail Jersey Audit Office (JAO) activities in 2022 and provide a wide range of information to enable readers to assess performance. It contains:

- a **Performance Report** which provides an overview of the work of the C&AG and the Jersey Audit Office (JAO) in 2022. It considers
  - The Vision, Purpose and Values of the JAO
  - Strategy
  - Risks
  - Operations
  - Performance Analysis
  - Financial Performance
- an **Accountability Report** which comprises:
  - the **Corporate Governance Report** which describes the JAO's governance structures and how they support the achievement of its objectives. It contains the C&AG's Report, the Statement of Responsibilities of the C&AG and the Governance Statement
  - the **Remuneration and Staff Report** which provides information about the remuneration paid to the C&AG, the Deputy C&AG, the Chair of the Board of Governance and independent contractors working for the JAO; and

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- the **Accountability Statement** and **Audit Report** which bring together two further reports that form a key part of the C&AG's and JAO's accountability. These are the Board of Governance report on the C&AG's expenses and the JAO's independent auditor's report on the annual accounts; and
- the **Annual Accounts**.

2022 was Lynn Pamment's third year in office as the C&AG and was a transitional year for the JAO as it started to work with the new States Assembly after the Election. The JAO attended new States Members' events and prioritised support for the newly formed Public Accounts Committee (PAC) in the autumn of 2022. It was a year that saw the JAO continue to share best practice in Annual Reporting through its updated Annual Reporting Good Practice Guide as well as a workshop that took place in December 2022. The C&AG also published:

- ten reports on the Government's performance; and
- a Thinkpiece on Governance and Accountability of Independent Bodies and Office Holders.

**Chair of the Board of Governance Grace Nesbitt said:**

"The JAO continued to perform strongly in 2022. We met 12 of our 16 Key Performance Indicators (KPIs). Of the remaining four KPIs, two were partially met, one was not measured and one was not met. Benchmarking with other audit offices shows that we publish a high volume of reports at relatively low cost. The JAO continues to receive very positive feedback from officers and stakeholders. For 2023, we will prioritise areas for improvements, particularly in implementing our Corporate Social Responsibility Strategy. We will also strengthen our Board of Governance by recruiting an additional member."

The 2022 Annual Report and Accounts can be found at: <https://www.jerseyauditoffice.je>

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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'
- The 2023 Audit Plan can be found at: [www.jerseyauditoffice.je](http://www.jerseyauditoffice.je)
- Lynn Pamment took up the Office of C&AG on 1 January 2020 for a fixed term of seven years. Following the introduction of the Comptroller and Auditor General (Jersey) Law 2014 the term of office is fixed at seven years and is non-renewable.
- The Office of Comptroller and Auditor General is known as the 'Jersey Audit Office'.
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- 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 Lynn Pamment or the staff 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
- All public information, including press releases and reports, are accessible on the Jersey Audit Office website at [www.jerseyauditoffice.je](http://www.jerseyauditoffice.je)