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Jersey Audit Office Annual Report 2025 and Audit Quality Transparency Report published

Comptroller and Auditor General (C&AG) Lynn Pamment CBE has today, 17 April 2026, published the Jersey Audit Office (JAO) Annual Report 2025 and an accompanying Audit Quality Transparency Report for 2025.

These two reports, together with the C&AG's Annual Report of Findings (published on 27 March 2026) tell the story of how the Jersey Audit Office (JAO) has operated in 2025 and what it has achieved during the year.

The Annual Report sets out how the JAO has performed, how it has been governed and what it has spent, in three key sections:

- a Performance Report, describing the vision, purpose and values of the JAO, its operations, its performance against strategic objectives, how it has identified and managed risks, and how it has managed its finances
- an Accountability Report, comprising:
 - a Corporate Governance Report setting out the JAO's governance structures and how they support the achievement of its objectives
 - a Remuneration and Staff Report providing information about the remuneration of the C&AG, the Deputy C&AG, the Chair of the Board of Governance and independent contractors working for the JAO
 - the Report of the Board of Governance of the Office of the Comptroller and Auditor General to the States Assembly on the expenses of the C&AG; and
 - an Independent Auditors Report to the C&AG; and
- the Annual Accounts.

2025 highlights include:

- 17 publications issued - including six audit reports, one Thinkpiece and two Good Practice Guides

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- a series of events celebrating the 20th Anniversary of the JAO
- achievement of Cyber Essentials accreditation as part of work to build a more resilient organisation
- the progress made in updating the Comptroller and Auditor General (Jersey) Law 2014 with the proposition to update the Law lodged in January 2026 and approved by the States Assembly in March 2026; and
- development of the JAO's communication mechanisms culminating with the launch of a new brand and new website in January 2026.

The **Audit Quality Transparency Report 2025**, also published today, is the third issued by the JAO. The purpose of the report is to provide a clear picture of how the JAO delivers audit quality in line with the JAO's ambition to be a high performing audit organisation. It is aimed at providing stakeholders with assurance on the quality of audits delivered by the JAO and by the financial statements auditors appointed by the C&AG.

It covers:

- how the JAO is organised to meet the responsibilities of the C&AG
- how the quality assurance processes for the JAO work; and
- quality monitoring results for 2025, including benchmarking against other audit offices.

Chair of the Board of Governance, Michael Whitehouse OBE, said:

"The Jersey Audit Office continued to make progress during 2025 across the ambitions set out in its Strategy for 2026-29: to be a trusted and innovative audit organisation – which encompasses being a high-performing audit organisation, supporting effective scrutiny and accountability, making a difference and building a better organisation.

"In 2025 the JAO met 14 of its 16 key performance Indicators in full, with the remaining two partially met. Benchmarking with other audit offices shows that we continue to publish a high volume of reports at relatively low cost. The JAO receives positive feedback from officers and other stakeholders."

The Annual Report and Accounts 2025 and the Audit Quality Transparency Report 2025 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 Office of Comptroller and Auditor General is known as the 'Jersey Audit Office'
- 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 2026 - 2029 Audit Plan can be found at: www.jerseyauditoffice.je
- Lynn Pamment CBE 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. In March 2026, the States Assembly approved the appointment of Paul Dossett as C&AG from 1 January 2027
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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 CBE or the affiliates 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