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Dear Sark Resident,

The Sark Children Law

The Children Law Policy Development Team is responsible for the development of a Law for children, suiting the needs of a child in the 21st century; it is a top priority in the government's policy for Securing Sark's Future. The first part of the law deals with parenting and parental responsibility. The Guernsey and Alderney 2008 Law was introduced in the Bailiwick in 2009 and in Sark we have been working towards a version of this law which is suitable for the needs of our island.

We have now been able to produce the first part of the law and the second part, dealing with public law, will follow as soon as possible.

The Policy Development Team has produced a short guide to the draft of the law, in order to explain its content and this document, together with the draft of the law, is available for public consultation on the Sark government website, at www.gov.sark.gg. It is also available to view at the committee office during public hours opening times. Alternatively, you can pick up a copy of the short guide at the Sark Post Office.

Please send your comments to: cp1.consultation@gov.sark.gg or please send a written response to the team at the above address.

The Policy Development Team would welcome your views by Tuesday, 15th September 2015 and all ideas will be considered by the team for incorporation into the finished draft of Part One of the Law. We really want your views about the draft, which has taken some years to produce and will substantially aid matters concerning family law and procedures.

Please do read the short guide and the draft law and respond to the Policy Development Team, even if only to record your agreement or disagreement with the ideas expressed.

Yours sincerely,

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