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Dear Mr Luke

OFFICIAL INFORMATION REQUEST-JUSTICES OF THE PEACE

Thank you for your email of 2 September 2019 asking if the Ministry has any plan or strategy to recruit more younger Justices of the Peace and to provide any relevant documentation regarding rejuvenating the JP age group and attracting younger generations to apply to become a JP.

I can advise that while the Ministry's role is to co-ordinate the JP appointment process, it has no input into determining who shall be nominated. That function is the preserve of Members of Parliament. It is the responsibility of each electorate Member of Parliament to ensure that they identify people suitable for nomination to the role.

Consequently, I can further advise that the Ministry has no documentation of the kind you seek.

Yours sincerely

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