



CICRA Prioritisation Principles

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CICRA's aim is to ensure markets work well for consumers. As an economic regulator that licenses activity in specified sectors of the economies of Jersey and Guernsey and, as a competition law enforcement body, it has strategic choices to make in deciding which areas to focus its resources and the appropriate approach to further its aim. CICRA will make these strategic choices based on its remit under the various laws that apply to it, as well as drawing on the intelligence and analysis gathered through its research and intelligence capability. In prioritising the use of its resources it will take an evidence-based view of the likely contribution to its strategic aim in the short and longer term. CICRA will also work closely with other agencies where appropriate to ensure its efforts are complementary to theirs.

CICRA weighs up several aspects of the matters that come before it to assist in prioritising how it allocates its resources. In particular, it weighs up whether the matter can be resolved in a manner that is:

- **Actionable** (whether it has the necessary powers to effect change)
- **Realistic** (the capacity and capability it has to effect any necessary changes to the requisite legal standard).
- **Meaningful** (of any likely benefit to consumers and the extent of that)

Note however that Some areas of CICRA's work do not allow for discretion; for example CICRA has a duty to investigate mergers and acquisitions that meet the relevant statutory tests, to undertake market investigations requested by relevant departments, defend its decisions where there are regulatory appeals, and to consider and respond to complaints.