WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR INFRASTRUCTURE
BY THE CONNÉTABLE OF ST. HELIER
QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 28th SEPTEMBER 2026
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 5th OCTOBER 2026

Question

"In relation to the Public Realm Capital Programme and the Regeneration of St. Helier Programme, will the Minister provide details of the total budget allocated and the total expenditure incurred for each year from 2021 to 2026 inclusive; and for each programme and each year, provide a breakdown of each project, scheme, workstream or item of expenditure funded wholly or partly from those budgets to include, but not be limited to –

(a) the name of the project, scheme, workstream or expenditure item;
(b) the amount budgeted in that year;
(c) the amount spent in that year; and
(d) the current status of the project, scheme or workstream;

and will the Minister advise whether the sum of the individual amounts budgeted and spent in (a) to (d) above reconcile with the total budget for each annual programme and, if not, explain the discrepancies?"

Answer

The following tables show the projects, schemes, workstreams and expenditure items and the corresponding budget at the start of the year, spend at the end of the year and difference between spend and budget for each year from 2020 to 2026 inclusive.

During the preparation of the more detailed response to the question, it has become apparent that the initial response provided to this question on 5 October contained errors in respect of the information supplied for 2021 and 2022 only. The Government of Jersey changed its financial system in January 2023, the figures previously produced were from financial extracts prior to year end and produced on a different basis (cumulative spend over several years) rather than in-year spend. This resulted in a small number of double counted sums and discrepancies.

The correct tables are now reproduced below, together with the more detailed response on funding. As the Public Realm programme commenced in 2020, this year is also included for completeness. Due to the way project budgets are adjusted at year end to match spend as part of the financial procedures, and the change in the financial system, budgets for the programme as a whole are shown as the "budget at the start of the year" in respect of 2020-2022.

For simplicity, key completed projects have been highlighted in green. The remaining projects were at various stages of development, including feasibility (particularly in the earlier years), community engagement, design, and construction.

2020

2020 - Project	Budget at start of year	Budget at end of Year	Expenditure at Year End
QZH400 - Island Public Realm	**400,000**	**158,971**	**158,971**

In 2020, the initial "feasibility and design" elements of the outline programme commenced, leading to the development of the programme proposals for 2021.

2021

2021 - Projects	Budget at start of year	Budget at end of Year	Expenditure at Year End
QZH400 - Island Public Realm	-	174,136	174,136
QZH426 - Midvale Rd Public Realm	1,000,000	-	-
QZH450 - PR - Broad Street Phase 1	-	44,253	44,253
QZH451 - PR - La Motte Street	-	3,808	3,808
QZH452 - PR - Hill Street	-	2,739	2,739
QZH453 - PR - Minden Place	-	4,790	4,790
QZH454 - PR - Midvale Road	-	45,252	45,252
QZH455 - PR - Havre des Pas	-	67,769	67,769
QZH456 - CP Splashpad	-	255,148	255,148
Total	**1,000,000**	**597,895**	**597,895**

In 2021, the programme was further developed, albeit hampered following the Covid-19 pandemic. Additional support was also given to the fiscal stimulus project at Coronation Park to enhance the public realm in that area. The year end underspend of £403,105 was allowed to be carried forward to 2022 to support the development of further schemes and the Coronation Park Splashpad completion.

2022

2022 - Projects	Budget at start of year	Budget at end of Year	Expenditure at Year End
QZH400 - Island Public Realm	-	193,894	193,894
QZH456 - CP Splashpad	-	219,620	219,620
QZH700 - Public Realm	1,800,000	183,983	183,983
QZH701 - PR Parade to Ann Court	200,000	4,535	4,535
QZH702 - PR La Motte Street	-	108,228	108,228
QZH703 - PR Hill Street-(Contraflow Cycleway)	-	3,827	3,827
QZH704 - PR Minden Place	-	20,009	20,009
QZH705 - PR Havre des Pas	-	11,353	11,353
QZH706 - PR Parade to Ann Court Ph1	-	7,823	7,823
QZH707 - PR Midvale Road	-	577,033	577,033
QZH708 - PR Broad Street Phase I	-	16,668	16,668
QZH710 - PR Millbrook Park	-	71,364	71,364
QZH711 - PR Western Bus Gateway	-	24,826	24,826
QZH712 - PR - CP Irrigation Tanks	-	92,825	92,825

QZH713 - PR Harve Des Pas Ph2	-	14,296	14,296
QZH714 - PR Eastern Bus Gateway Paving	-	429	429
QZH715 - PR StJohn Road-Pet Cabin Cross	-	31,485	31,485
QZH716 - PR Parish Schemes:Trinity	-	75,977	75,977
QZH717 - PR Parish Schemes:St John	-	44,064	44,064
QZH718 - PR - St Lawrence	-	85,282	85,282
Total	**2,000,000**	**1,787,521**	**1,787,521**
QZH707 - PR Midvale Road – receipt of funds (Planning Obligation Agreement)	-	(730,000)	(730,000)
Net Budget / Spend		**1,057,521**	**1,057,521**

In 2022, the release of the planning obligation in respect of College Gardens / Midvale Road enhancements reduced the overall spend by £730,000.

The original budget of £2m was supplemented by £403,105 carried forward from 2021. However, mid-year corporate reprioritisation of capital budgets to reduce overall capital programme spend to £75m resulted in a reduction in budget of £1.4m in relation to Public Realm.

2023

Project / Scheme / Workstream / Expenditure Item	Budget at Start of Year	Expenditure at Year End	Difference between Expenditure and Budget
M-317023-01C Coronation Park Extension	£275,000	£98,144	-£176,856
M-317023-02C Broad Street & Adjacent Areas	£100,000	£78,921	-£21,079
M-317023-03C Parade to Ann Street (Phase A1 & A2)	£5,000	£265	-£4,735
M-317023-04C Hill Street Improvements	£30,000	£2,149	-£27,851
M-317023-05C La Motte Street (Phase 1)	£604,635	£662,299	£57,664
M-317023-06C Minden Place (New Street to Bath Street)	£50,000	£20,532	-£29,468
M-317023-07C Havre des Pas (Ph 2A - Heart of Village)	£40,000	£29,885	-£10,115
M-317023-08C Havre des Pas (Ph 2B - Dicq Roundabout)	£40,000	£15,432	-£24,568
M-317023-09C Western Bus Gate	£100,000	£66,629	-£33,371
M-317023-10C Parish Scheme - Trinity	£764,429	£437,936	-£326,493
M-317023-11C Parish Scheme - St John	£30,000	£46,481	£16,481
M-317023-12C St John Pet Cabin Crossing	£30,000	£40,623	£10,623
M-317023-14C Public Realm Management	£133,102	£233,934	£100,832
M-317023-15C Havre Des Pas (Phase 1)	£30,000	£22,826	-£7,174
M-317023-16C La Motte Street (Phase 2)	£50,000	£32,293	-£17,707
M-317023-17C Coronation Way	£0	£19,388	£19,388
M-317023-18R Storm Ciarán	£0	£604,000	£604,000
Total =	**£2,282,166**	**£2,411,736**	**£129,570**

Significant revenue pressures within the Infrastructure portfolio relating to Storm Ciarán were funded from Public Realm in 2023 and 2024. The department has no contingency budgets set aside for such eventualities and must reprioritise budgets accordingly.

2024

Project / Scheme / Workstream / Expenditure Item	Budget at Start of Year	Expenditure at Year End	Difference between Expenditure and Budget
P-314024-01C Coronation Park Extension	£160,000	£16,459	-£143,541
P-314024-02C La Grande Rue - General	£50,000	£14,960	-£35,040
P-314024-03C Union Street Improvement Works	£50,000	£0	-£50,000
P-314024-04C Hill Street Improvements	£50,000	£37,214	-£12,786
P-314024-05C La Motte Street (Phase 1)	£20,000	£438,208	£418,208
P-314024-06C Minden Place (New Street to Bath Street)	£535,000	£86,286	-£448,714
P-314024-07C Havre des Pas (Ph 2A - Heart of Village)	£70,000	£30,760	-£39,240
P-314024-08C Havre des Pas (Ph 2B - Dicq Roundabout)	£10,000	£0	-£10,000
P-314024-09C Western Bus Gate	£733,071	£137,179	-£595,892
P-314024-10C Parish Scheme - Trinity Village	£70,000	£43,522	-£26,478
P-314024-11C Parish Scheme - St John	£262,172	£304,662	£42,490
P-314024-12C La Motte Street (Phase 2)	£25,000	£0	-£25,000
P-314024-13C St Lawrence Village	£60,000	£1,958	-£58,042
P-314024-14C Public Realm Management	£74,757	£193,802	£119,045
P-314024-15C La Grande Rue - New Street	£1,050,000	£342,126	-£707,874
P-314024-16C La Grande Rue - Charing Cross	£50,000	£0	-£50,000
P-314024-18C La Grande Rue - Broad Street	£50,000	£104,392	£54,392
P-314024-19C Beresford Street/Halkett Street Crossing	£50,000	£7,828	-£42,172
P-314024-20C Beresford Street/Bath Street Crossing	£55,000	£0	-£55,000
P-314024-21C Halkett Street - Contribution to Parish	£300,000	£300,000	£0
P-314024-22C Halkett Place/Beresford Street Crossing	£80,000	£8,754	-£71,246
P-314024-23C Esplanade - Improvement Works	£225,000	£62,722	-£162,278
P-314024-24C Bridging the Ringroad	£80,000	£46,028	-£33,972
P-314024-25C Coronation Park Crossings & Bel Royal Promenade	£350,000	£0	-£350,000
P-314024-26R Storm Ciarán	£0	£400,000	£400,000
Total =	**£4,460,000**	**£2,576,859**	**-£1,883,141**

The initial budget allocation of £5m in the budget was reduced to £2.5m as part of the programme to reduce the overall capital programme to £75m. This lower level of funding was then continued in future years.

2025

Project / Scheme / Workstream / Expenditure Item	Budget at Start of Year	Expenditure at Year End	Difference between Expenditure and Budget
P-314025-02C Internal Programme Management	£300,000	£117,311	-£182,689
P-314025-03C New Cut/King Street Crossover	£1,000,000	£1,127,512	£127,512
P-314025-04C Broad Street Phase 1 (Threshold)	£800,000	£575,733	-£224,267

P-314025-05C Western Bus Gate	£100,000	£466,908	£366,908
P-314025-07C West Islands Framework	£25,000	£0	-£25,000
P-314025-08C Broad Street Phase 2 (Obelisk Square)	£225,000	£161,301	-£63,699
P-314025-09C Beresford Street Market Crossing Improvements	£50,000	£52,953	£2,953
Total =	**£2,500,000**	**£2,501,716**	**£1,716**

2026

Project / Scheme / Workstream / Expenditure Item	Budget at Start of Year	Forecast Expenditure by Year End	Difference between Forecast Expenditure and Budget
P-300153-01R Neighbourhood Regeneration of St Helier	£167,000	£167,000	£0
F-300110-20C Western Bus Gate	£850,000	£850,000	£0
P-314026-02C Broad Street-Phase 1-Threshold	£265,000	£280,000	£15,000
P-314026-03C Broad Street-Phase 2-Obelisk Square	£10,000	£25,000	£15,000
P-314026-04C Broad Street-Phase 3-Blue Note Square	£633,000	£705,000	£72,000
P-314026-05C Broad Street-Phase 4-Les Sablons	£545,000	£25,000	-£520,000
P-314026-06C Internal Programme Management	£50,000	£230,000	£180,000
P-314026-07C New Cut/King St Crossover	£40,000	£60,000	£20,000
P-314026-08C Western Bus Gate	£450,000	£705,000	£255,000
P-314026-09C West of Island Planning Framework	£50,000	£0	-£50,000
P-314026-10C Beresford Street Market-Crossing Improvements	£10,000	£15,000	£5,000
P-314026-11C New Street	£180,000	£138,684	-£41,316
P-314026-12C Brooklyn St-Ring Road Crossing	£100,000	£90,000	-£10,000
P-314026-13R Broad St-Town Bus Route Alterations	£0	£59,316	£59,316
Total =	**£3,350,000**	**£3,350,000**	**£0**

In addition to the capital programme budget of £2.5m, support from the Climate Emergency Fund for the Western Bus Gateway / Esplanade Improvement project in the sum of £850,000 brought the total allocated budget for 2026 to £3.35m.

2027

The proposed budget for 2027 of £1,437,000 reduces the scope of projects for 2027, with funding proposed to be increased to compensate in 2029.

Summary & Conclusion

Since its launch in 2020 funding levels for the Public Realm Programme have changed. The original allocation of £14.4 million over four years was largely redirected to Covid-19 response measures and other priorities, reducing available funding to £400,000 in 2020 and subsequently to £1 million per year. The annual funding through the Infrastructure Rolling Vote was later increased to average £2.5 million.

Over time the programme delivery and the timetable for that delivery has necessarily changed to reflect the available funding.

There is a commitment to deliver Public Realm improvements and support the long-term regeneration of St Helier and to do so in a way that will value for money and accelerate the benefits delivered to the town the economy and the wider Island community.