

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR TREASURY AND RESOURCES  
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 22nd MAY 2023**

**Question**

“In relation to the connection of homes to mains water by Jersey Water, will the Minister, as Shareholder representative, advise –

- (a) the number of homes that have been connected in the last three years together with the cost; and
- (b) the proposed number of homes to be connected between 2023 and 2026?”

**Answer**

- (a) In the three financial years from 2020-2022\*, a total of 1,239 new connections were installed on the Island’s mains water network. Jersey Water customers meet the costs of individual connections, which vary depending on the work involved.

During the same three-year period, Jersey Water laid a total of 5.6km of new water mains, principally funded by developers wishing to connect new properties. 1.7km of the extensions was funded directly by Jersey Water at a cost of £382k, adding 45 new connections to date.

- (b) So far in 2023, Jersey Water has invested a further £112k to extend the mains network by 0.3km, leading to 12 new connections. Plans for 2024 are currently being considered.

It is important to note that a single water connection can service multiple households, for example a block of flats in a development.

Jersey Water is committed to reaching more homes. The company reviews and prioritises its capital investment for extending the mains network on an annual basis, taking multiple factors into account including cost, water quality issues and customer demand.

The number of new water mains will vary from year to year depending on competing operational and financial factors, such as addressing the Island’s water resources deficit, maintaining water quality, reducing leakage and sustaining the existing water supply infrastructure.

\* Jersey Water’s financial years runs from 1 October to 30 September