

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR TREASURY AND RESOURCES  
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QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 16th SEPTEMBER 2024  
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 23rd SEPTEMBER 2024**

**Question**

“Will the Minister advise the total cost to the Government of Jersey of the following –

- (a) Operation Nectar, in regard to the sinking of the L’Ecume II;
- (b) Operation Spire, in regard to the explosion at Haut du Mont ; and

will she further advise whether there are any outstanding costs associated with the above Operations anticipated over the coming year?”

**Answer**

The table below details the spend incurred from commencement of the Government of Jersey response to the respective response to the incident to date.

	Cost incurred to Date (being 31 Aug 2024) £’000	Budget remaining 2024 £’000
Operation Nectar	2,889	798
Operation Spire	11,688	1,869

The budget for future spend will cover the following:

Operation Nectar:

- Future costs for the Department for the Economy include the ongoing storage of the wreck and any previously unidentified costs during this period including currently unknown costs relating to the future disposal of the wreck
- Future costs for the States of Jersey Police include resourcing for the ongoing Police investigation, including travel and accommodation, forensics and other experts.

Operation Spire:

- Future costs for the States of Jersey Police include resourcing for the ongoing Police investigation, including travel and accommodation, forensics and other experts. Costs are subject to potential charges.