

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE
MINISTER FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM, SPORT AND CULTURE
BY DEPUTY R.J. WARD OF ST. HELIER
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 12th FEBRUARY 2019**

Question

Will the Minister advise whether a private firm has been monitoring use of the car parks at FB Fields, Grainville, Langford and Springfield since September 2018; and, if so, will he further advise –

- (a) how many tickets have been issued;
- (b) how many such tickets remain unpaid;
- (c) how much has been collected to date;
- (d) how much is owed in total;
- (e) what the total cost to the States of Jersey of employing the company has been;
- (f) whether the company is based in Jersey and is liable for tax in Jersey; and
- (g) how much of the money collected has been returned to the States of Jersey?

Answer

Yes.

Regarding the detailed questions at (a) to (g) above -

- (a) 622 tickets have been issued since October 2018, when enforcement restarted;
- (b) 343 tickets remain unpaid;
- (c) £15,010.00 has been collected to date;
- (d) The total sum owed is £20,580 (343 tickets at £60). There is scope for this figure to be reduced insofar as fines paid within 3 days incur a reduced charge of £40, while the department applies a policy of reducing fines to £10.00 in special circumstances.
- (e) £156.00 per site per month for Grainville, FB Fields, Springfield and Langford
- (f) The company is based in Jersey;
- (g) All money collected is paid into the relevant budget code for each site that the tickets were issued.

Parking orders have been on these sites for many years. They are there to ensure that those legitimately parking there are using the Sports Centre or Playing Fields in question. The parking is free for specified periods. Adequate provision is provided within the order for those to undertake their sport/exercise. Users are simply required to display their time of arrival.

Parking at Les Quennevais Sports Centre and taking the bus to the Airport for an extended period or parking at Springfield and going shopping in town are other examples of abuses that the parking orders are intended to address. The Sport Division also has to deal with dumped and abandoned vehicles at its sites each year, which is costly and time consuming. Having the car parks monitored regularly helps to tackle these issues and ensure spaces are available for users of the facilities.