WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR INFRASTRUCTURE BY DEPUTY R.J. WARD OF ST. HELIER CENTRAL QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 7th NOVEMBER 2022 ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 14th NOVEMBER 2022

Question

"Further to the response to Written Question 196/2022 regarding active travel projects, will the Minister indicate what meetings, if any, have been held regarding active travel plans; will the Minister further outline what projects scored highest against the Sustainable Transport Policy's principles and Government's common strategic policies; and will he state what projects he will prioritise for action in the coming 6 months?"

Answer

I was briefed by Officers on 20th October 2022 on the Active Travel policy programme to better understand what work has been done to date and how this workstream is being taken forward based on the primary evidence base that was published in December 2021.

A briefing to the Constable of St Helier and his officers on 14th October provided an update on this project and the progress of the St Helier Mobility Plan.

To support this, officers have been working to prioritise active travel projects against the Sustainable Transport Policy's principles, the Government's common strategic priorities as well as the multiple criteria used to prioritise the policies when the Carbon Neutral Roadmap was developed.

Currently, the proposed projects ranking highest across both behavioural change and infrastructure schemes prioritised for commencement during the next 6 months are as follows:

- Love to Ride a cycling initiative which is designed to increase physical activity by changing travel behaviour. This is done through a 'log your rides' application which includes elements of gameplay with incentives and enables competition between organisations
- **Beat the Street -** a walking initiative which is designed to increase physical activity by changing travel behaviour, particularly around schools. This can be done using technology as an engagement tool to incentivise walking for school age children
- Safer Routes to School in St Saviour's School Cluster implementing measures in order to make it easier to walk, cycle and wheel to school
- **Primary School Traffic-free School Street** implementing measures to reduce traffic outside a school in order to make it easier to walk, cycle and wheel to school; and
- **Bike Wash Stands** Providing an on-street bike washstand for cyclists to use to wash down their bikes on St Aubin's Bay.