## WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES BY DEPUTY G.P. SOUTHERN OF ST. HELIER CENTRAL QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 13th FEBRUARY 2023 ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 20th FEBRUARY 2023

## **Question**

Will the Minister outline what the "various funding options" referred to in her response to Written Question 20/2023 are and will she further confirm what expenditure, if any, there had been on the planned questionnaire by the Government of Jersey before the decision was made to change direction?

## **Answer**

The "various funding options" on which all stakeholders will be consulted, including members of the public, are currently in development. Subject to ministerial review, we envisage publishing them for consultation in Autumn 2023.

As set out in my answer to <u>WQ.20/2023</u>, I decided not to proceed with the planned survey which was originally intended to be sent to approximately 3,500 households in Jersey. I did so on the basis of advice received about the potential complexity of the survey. I am, however, considering other options for understanding more about the broad public attitudes to health care funding. I will provide this information to Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel, once I have determined how to proceed.

Approximately £7,200 was spent on the survey work which included testing the proposed questions with focus groups. The focus group work will inform any future attitudinal survey work that is undertaken.