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ORAL QUESTION FOR TUESDAY 18th JANUARY 2022

(To be answered by the Minister in person under Standing Order 13(3A))

Deputy R.J. Ward of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Infrastructure –

“Will the Minister advise whether Jersey is to follow changes to the U.K. Highway Code establishing a hierarchy of road users, announced in July 2021 and due to come into effect in the U.K. on 29th January 2022; and if so, will he explain what steps his department has taken to bring about and to communicate such changes, including liaison with theory test providers in order that they may prepare?”

The following response was provided in writing in accordance with Standing Order 63(9) as the oral question was not asked before the end of the time allowed for Oral Questions:

These important changes to the national Official Highway Code also apply to Jersey and will come into force here on 29th January, subject to the U.K. Parliament not raising any objection. The updates will, in particular, improve safety for cyclists, pedestrians and horse riders.

We will, of course, be highlighting the key changes to the Official Highway Code through a timely awareness and media campaign over the coming weeks, and I would encourage road users to make sure they are familiar with the updated Code when the U.K. D.V.L.A. publish it at the end of the month. The Island will also benefit from U.K. publicity campaigns, when launched.

D.V.S. in Jersey are in the process of reviewing and updating the driving theory tests to reflect these changes.