

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR INFRASTRUCTURE
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 13th JULY 2020**

Question

Will the Minister advise the Assembly –

- (a) how many properties in Jersey are not connected to main drains; and
- (b) how much it is estimated it would cost to link those properties to the main drains system?

Answer

- (a) Currently 9% of properties in Jersey are not connected to mains drains.
- b) The foul sewer network in Jersey is very extensive with over 297km of foul sewers picking up all major residential areas. Unfortunately the unconnected properties are now getting very expensive to connect and require a significant amount of infrastructure due to their location, an approximate estimate to connect the remainder of the Island would be in excess of £75m. The Department currently has an annual £1.5m allocation in the Government plan for 2021-2024 to increase the number of properties connected. Unfortunately for some properties the costs will be prohibitive and the environmental gains will not always be sufficient.