WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR INFRASTRUCTURE BY DEPUTY R.S. KOVACS OF ST. SAVIOUR QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 14th OCTOBER 2024 ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 21st OCTOBER 2024

Ouestion

"With reference to the Ministerial Decision MD-INF-2024-738, concerning the installation of three zebra crossings on La Rue de l'Etau, St. Helier, will the Minister advise –

- (a) how their location was agreed, including what consideration was given to their relative proximity to each other;
- (b) the approved cost for their installation; and
- (c) who is responsible for the costs of installation and of any ongoing maintenance?"

Answer

The Road Traffic (Pedestrian Crossings) (Jersey) Order 1982 requires that all pedestrian crossings are approved by the Minister for Infrastructure. The Minister's role is to ensure that crossings are constructed to the correct standards as set out in the Order, and that they have been thoroughly assessed through best practice safety assurance processes.

The Parish of St Helier Roads Committee is the legal authority for La Rue de l'Etau. As the By-Roads Authority, the Parish of Helier has commissioned designs for the crossings by competent traffic engineers from a reputable UK based design consultancy.

The designs submitted by the Parish of St Helier have been assessed by I&E officers on my behalf for compliance with the required standards and best safety assurance practice. The designs were found to be of a satisfactory standard, present no clear safety risks, and to be in line with the technical specifications for both Road Humps and Pedestrian Crossings in Jersey.

Therefore, in accordance with the powers laid out in the Road Traffic (Pedestrian Crossings) (Jersey) Order 1982, I signed MD-INF-2024-738 to formally grant permission for the Parish of St Helier to construct these crossings (as applied for).

In respect of the particular questions raised by the Deputy, and noting the context above –

- (a) It would be inappropriate to comment on the considerations that may have been deliberated upon by the Parish during that process
- (b) This information would be a matter for the Parish of St Helier as the administering authority
- (c) As La Rue de L'Eau is a road administered by the Parish of St Helier, it will be their responsibility to install, operate and maintain the three zebra crossings applied for.