

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR INFRASTRUCTURE
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QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 10th OCTOBER 2022
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 17th OCTOBER 2022**

Question

“Will the Minister outline what measures, if any, have been taken by his department to assess whether there is any increased risk to pedestrians, road users and residents of St. John's Road following the closure of Old St. John's Road to through traffic?”

Answer

Old St John's Road is a parish by-road and the decision to make it 'Access to Premises Only' would have been made by the Parish Roads Committee who are the legal authority for the by-road. The Department is not aware whether a road safety audit was undertaken to consider the wider impact, but notes from the parish notice it is a trial to whose success or otherwise is to be reviewed in January 2023, which will give the opportunity for such matters to be considered. Under the Road Traffic (Jersey) Law 1956, the Parish has the powers to implement temporary traffic changes for such purposes under Article 68.

In terms of the data held by the Department, our past traffic surveys suggest that most of the traffic using Old St John's Road was likely to be local traffic accessing or departing premises, with only a small amount of through traffic that might be displaced onto St John's Road and proportionally not enough to significantly increase flows or nuisance.

The Department has arranged for an updated traffic survey on St John's Road which will enable a review into how the numbers might have changed, if there is anything significant the Department will report this to the Parish so that the Roads Committee can take account of this in their review.