WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR TREASURY AND RESOURCES BY DEPUTY M.R. HIGGINS OF ST. HELIER ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 6TH JUNE 2017

Question

Will the Minister update members on what progress, if any, there has been to provide the Jersey Sea Cadets with a new headquarters and explain, if such decisions have been taken, where it is to be located and whether it will be a standalone or shared facility?

Will he also explain what sums have been expended to date on this matter, and to whom, and what the latest cost estimate is for this venture?

Answer

Ports of Jersey, now an incorporated body, is assisting in project managing the Jersey Sea Cadets headquarters project and providing the land required for the proposed facility.

The Council of Ministers pledged a contribution of $\pounds 1.2$ million towards the relocation of the Sea Cadets as long as the full cost of the project is funded. The Minister understands from Ports of Jersey that the cost of the project is likely to exceed $\pounds 1.2$ million, so additional fund raising will be required. If, through external fundraising efforts, the burden on government funding is able to be reduced, then that would be welcome. At this point no additional States or Ports of Jersey funding is available.

The Minister is further informed by Ports of Jersey that, following on from the previous work conducted, Ports of Jersey established a working party including the Sea Cadets, Jersey Rowing Club and other stakeholders to discuss and develop all aspects of the project. The working party has developed what is considered to be a good solution, and is currently fine tuning the plans. Subject to reaching conclusion on the options available it is anticipated that a planning application will be made during 2017.

The Minister is informed by the Minister for Infrastructure that expenditure on previous projects directly by the States (Jersey Property Holdings) remains as stated in his response to Deputy Hilton on 20th January 2015 (link to Hansard):

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