

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR TREASURY AND RESOURCES
BY THE CONNÉTABLE OF ST. HELIER
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER 2017**

Question

Will the Minister explain what progress, if any, he has made in achieving the payment of rates on States properties in 2018?

Answer

The Treasury has been working with the Law Draftsman in order to prepare amendments to the Rates (Jersey) Law 2005 (“the Rates Law”) to remove the exemption from paying Parish rates that the States currently enjoys in respect of public buildings.

This law drafting exercise is nearing completion and, consistent with the requirement placed on the Minister for Treasury and Resources by the States in P.12/2017¹, the Minister has requested to attend the meeting of the Comité of Connétables, due to be held on Monday 18 September 2017, in order to consult with the Connétables on the proposed amendments to the Rates Law.

¹ <http://www.statesassembly.gov.je/assemblypropositions/2017/p.12-2017.pdf>