WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR SUSTAINABLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

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"Will the Minister provide an update on the status of the Performance Sport Programme including –

- (a) how many expressions of interest were received prior to the closing deadline of 15th September 2024, how many awards have been made, and within which sporting areas;
- (b) what future plans, if any, he has for the Programme;
- (c) what budget, if any, is currently allocated for its development and implementation;
- (d) what additional funding, if any, is allocated towards this strategy within the draft Budget (Government Plan) 2025-28; and
- (e) what specific work will any additional funding cover?"

Answer

- (a) The Minister has commissioned Jersey Sport to deliver the Performance Sport Programme. 91 expressions of interest were received prior to the closing deadline across 27 sports, including parasports. A steering group is finalising criteria for athletes to be invited to the second stage of the process. Awards will be made before the end of the year.
- (b) The future programme will develop in conjunction with feedback from athletes and pathway partners but will generally include the following:
 - Tailored support for eligible athletes to ensure they are better prepared for performance sport
 - Support for coaches so that they have the skills and qualifications to better support performance athletes
 - Support to access high level competition and training
- (c) £120,000 per annum is currently allocated from 2024 to 2027
- (d) No additional Government funding is allocated towards this strategy within the draft Budget 2025-28
- (e) Not applicable