

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 3rd JUNE 2025**

Question

“Further to [Oral Question 33/2025](#), will the Minister advise what funding it is estimated would be required to progress a masterplan for Five Oaks; will he state whether he intends to bid for resources to develop such a masterplan and, if so, what progress does he anticipate will be made before the end of the current political term; and if he does not intend to progress this masterplan, why not?”

Answer

The level of resource required to deliver a masterplan for Five Oaks will be dependent upon the scope of the brief. Any brief would be developed in consultation with local elected members.

The need to bid for resources for any such works would be dependent upon whether there is scope to deliver the requisite work from the existing professional capacity of the public service. This is, however, currently limited and so other support is likely to be required.

Therefore, I do not anticipate that much progress will be made during this current political term. Existing limited professional capacity is directed to the delivery of this government’s priorities, focused on the reform of the planning service. Whilst funding has been allocated to deliver other bridging Island Plan proposals, such as the west of island planning framework, this cannot progress until professional resources are available to direct and manage the project: any work on a masterplan for Five Oaks would follow.

The States Assembly has approved the proposal to deliver a masterplan for Five Oaks and I intend to progress this. As already stated, however, the timing of this work is dependent upon the availability of resources to do so.