WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE CHAIR OF THE COMITÉ DES CONNÉTABLES BY DEPUTY R.S. KOVACS OF ST. SAVIOUR QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 16th SEPTEMBER 2024 ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 23rd SEPTEMBER 2024

Question

"In relation to allotment gardens, will the Chair provide the following information for each Parish –

- (a) the number of allotments available and the number being used;
- (b) the total surface area of all allotments;
- (c) whether they are organised privately or by the Parish, and the process used to assign allotments;
- (d) confirm what plans, if any, exist to increase the availability of allotments and the timeline for these plans?"

Answer

Parish	
St Brelade	
(a)	35 allotments available and being used.
(b)	Surface area of all allotments approx. 3 vergees.
(c)	Administered by Site Committee under JALGA (Jersey Allotments & Leisure Gardening Association), allotments are assigned from the waiting list.
(d)	None at present, demand not as strong as initially considered.
St Clement	
(a)	4 allotments available through the parish only, all in use.
(b)	286 m²
(c)	Private allotments rented by a parish trust for the benefit of parishioners who have no outside space or do not have the means to rent themselves. Availability is advertised through the parish magazine and website and allocated by the Connétable.
(d)	The Parish is first on the waiting list should more allotments become available and they will be taken on as soon as possible.
Grouville	
	The Parish of Grouville does not own any allotments, nor does it lease land for allotments to be run privately.
St Helier	
(a)	64 allotments, all in use with a waiting list of two to three years.
(b)	Total surface area 5,403 sq.m.

(c)	The site is administered by the Clos du Hugh allotment association committee, which is a limited company originally set up by JALGA (Jersey Allotments & Leisure Gardening Association). The waiting list is managed by the allotment committee secretary on a strictly first come first served basis to <i>bona fide</i> St Helier residents.
(d)	The Allotment Committee is hoping for more land to be made available but is not actively engaging with a search. The Parish is aware of the need for more allotments but currently has no plans in place to increase the availability.
St John	
	The Parish does not run any allotments but does lease a field to a Company who administer allotments in accordance with the terms of their lease.
St Lawrence	
	The Parish does not own any land that is provided for allotments.
St Martin	
	The Parish is not aware of any allotment schemes in the Parish and has no plans to provide any in the immediate future.
St Mary	
	The Parish has no allotments neither does it have any knowledge of how any privately operated allotments are organised, if they exist. There are no current plans to provide allotments.
St Ouen	
	The Parish does not provide any allotments.
St Peter	
	The Parish does not currently provide any allotments. Subject to Planning Permission the Parsh is due to make up to 6 new allotments available in 2025.
St Saviour	
	The Parish is in the early stages of progressing plans to provide allotments in the future but is not able to provide a timeline as these are only initial discussions.
Trinity	
	The Parish does not have any allotment gardens and is not aware of any being organised on a private basis.
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