WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM, SPORT AND CULTURE BY DEPUTY M.R. HIGGINS OF ST. HELIER ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 15th JANUARY 2019

Question

Will the Minister set out in detail all aid which has been given to the Jersey Reds Rugby Club from the time assistance was first provided to the present time, including any conditions that were attached to such assistance; and will he state whether any future assistance has been discussed and, if so, what cost has been attached to it?

Answer

On 9th November 2018 the Minister for Treasury and Resources approved the allocation of stabilisation funding in the sum of £150,000 to Jersey Reds RFC pending the establishment of a Political Oversight Group to develop a comprehensive sports facilities strategy for the Island (Ministerial Decision MD-T-2018-0131 refers). An initial tranche of £75,000 was paid before the end of 2018. The remaining sum is to be paid this month.

Senior officers continue to work with the Club with the aim of making professional rugby sustainable in Jersey. As with the wider work on the development of a sports facilities strategy, this will be overseen by the Political Oversight Group. As yet, no proposals for future assistance have been put to the Political Oversight Group.