

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE CHAIR OF THE COMITÉ DES CONNÉTABLES
BY DEPUTY M.R. SCOTT OF ST. BRELADE
QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 16th SEPTEMBER 2024
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 23rd SEPTEMBER 2024**

Question

“For each of the last five years will the Chair provide a breakdown, per Parish, of –

- (a) the amount credited to the Parish’s General Account pursuant to the Article 4(5) of the [Dogs \(Jersey\) Law](#) 1961 (the ‘1961 Law’);
- (b) the number of dogs seized by that Parish pursuant to Articles 6,7 and, 9 of the 1961 Law or in accordance with its powers under Article 10 of the 1961 Law;
- (c) the net amount (after receipt and payment of expenses pursuant to Articles 10 (3)(b), 11(11)(b)(iii) and 11(15)) defrayed from the Parish's General Account pursuant to Article 10 and 11(15) of the 1961 Law; and
- (d) the costs, if any, incurred in respect of signage, or on education relating to dogs?”

Answer

- (a) Article 4(5) of the Dogs (Jersey) Law 1961 relates to the annual dog licence; the figures for the last 5 financial years (May to April) are set out below (the fee increased on 1 March 2020).
- (b) The Articles refer to the wearing of collar by dogs in a public place (Article 6), the seizure of stray dogs (Article 7) and the worrying of livestock by dogs (Article 9). The Parishes have a contract with the JSPCA for the collection and housing of stray dogs. The figures include dogs taken direct to the JSPCA as well as those collected by the JSPCA on the authorisation of the Duty Centenier so the specific figures are not available.
- (c) The contract provides for the JSPCA to collect from the dog owner the collection and housing costs incurred prior to releasing the dog so these figures are not held by the Parishes. The figures shown below are the retainer paid by each Parish for the contract with the JSPCA.

Parish	(a)	(c)	(d)
St Brelade	2019 / 2020 - £7,820 2020 / 2021 - £16,670 2021 / 2022 - £16,045 2022 / 2023 - £15,371 2023 / 2024 - £14,742	2019/2020 - £1,309 2020/2021 - £1,047 2021/2022 - £982 2022/2023 - £1,039 2023/2024 - £1,023	Nil
St Clement	2019/2020 - £5,677* 2020/2021 - £12,111* 2021/2022 - £13,445 2022/2023 - £13,910 2023/2024 - £11,351 * change in accounting system so detailed info n/a, net after all expense	2019/2020 – £1,050 2020/2021 – £839 2021/2022 - £843 2022/2023 - £858 2023/2024 - £881	2022/2023 - £242
Grouville	2019/2020 - £2,895 2020/2021 - £6,442 2021/2022 - £7,142 2022/2023 - £7,470	2019/2020 - £523 2020/2021 - £418 2021/2022 - £472 2022/2023 - £571	No costs incurred for signage (information on a page on the Parish website about dog licences).

	2023/2024 -	2023/2024 - £536	
St Helier	2019 / 2020 - £8,570 2020 / 2021 - £15,550 2021 / 2022 - £16,850 2022 / 2023 - £14,383 2023 / 2024 - £19,051	2019/2020 - £1,524 2020/2021 - £1,220 2021/2022 - £1,110 2022/2023 - £1,157 2023/2024 - £1,105	Approx. 18 dog signs around the parks, to replace/renew would cost c. £50 per sign, or £70 if replacement pole & fixings are required.
St John	2019 / 2020 - £2,450 2020 / 2021 - £5,465 2021 / 2022 - £4,179 2022 / 2023 - £4,421 2023 / 2024 - £4,467	2019/2020 - £380 2020/2021 - £305 2021/2022 - £321 2022/2023 - £314 2023/2024 - £353	Nil
St Lawrence	2019 / 2020 - £3,090 2020 / 2021 - £3,180 2021 / 2022 - £6,490 2022 / 2023 - £5,890 2023 / 2024 - £7,600	2019/2020 - £356 2020/2021 - £285 2021/2022 - £313 2022/2023 - £334 2023/2024 - £312	In house production of signage at minimal cost.
St Martin	2020 £2,936 2021 £6,308 2022 £6,215 2023 £6,679 2024 £6,720	2019/2020 - £590 2020/2021 - £472 2021/2022 - £444 2022/2023 - £453 2023/2024 - £454	Nil
St Mary	2019 / 2020 - £1,690 2020 / 2021 - £3,070 2021 / 2022 - £3,221 2022 / 2023 - £3,161 2023 / 2024 - £2,760	2019/2020 - £257 2020/2021 - £206 2021/2022 - £209 2022/2023 - £210 2023/2024 - £214	Nil
St Ouen	30.04.20 - £3,173 30.04.21 - £6,345 30.04.22 - £6,610 30.04.23 - £7,090 30.04.24 - £6,700	2019/2020 - £658 2020/2021 - £526 2021/2022 - £506 2022/2023 - £483 2023/2024 - £517	Nil
St Peter	2019-2020 £3,805 2020-2021 £7,590 2021-2022 £6,650 2022 -2023 £7,670 2023-2024 £7,900	2019/2020 - £679 2020/2021 - £543 2021/2022 - £539 2022/2023 - £565 2023/2024 - £570	In house minimal cost Purchased 4 x dog signs from the States sign dept. 11/05/2022 for £148 (asking not to let dogs poo)
St Saviour	2019 / 2020 - £7,350 2020 / 2021 - £14,210 2021 / 2022 - £14,062 2022 / 2023 - £13,930 2023 / 2024 - £14,430	2019/2020 - £1,005 2020/2021 - £804 2021/2022 - £921 2022/2023 - £800 2023/2024 - £1,035	Nil
Trinity	2020 - £2,720 2021 - £4,955 2022 - £4,920 2023 - £5,930 2024 - £5,110	2019/2020 - £419 2020/2021 - £335 2021/2022 - £340 2022/2023 - £341 2023/2024 - £375	No costs were incurred.