WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR INFRASTRUCTURE BY DEPUTY C.D. CURTIS OF ST. HELIER CENTRAL QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 27th JANUARY 2025 ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 3rd FEBRUARY 2025

Question

"Will the Minister outline how Jersey's current recycling rate compares with similar jurisdictions, whether he would wish to increase the rate of recycling in the Island, and if so, detail how this can be achieved?"

Answer

Direct comparisons of recycling rates with similar jurisdictions are complicated due to differences in reporting requirements, methodology of reporting, and legal requirements around collections.

Jersey's Municipal recycling rate has remained stable at just over 30% in recent years and is dependent upon public willingness to use available services.

Municipal Recycling Rate			
Jurisdiction	2022	2023	<u>2024</u>
Jersey	35%	35%	33%
Guernsey	59%	59%	No Data
			Available
Isle of Man	23.8%	17%	No Data
			Available

I very much wish to increase the rate of recycling in Jersey. Last month, I visited Guernsey to see the good work that they have done in this area.

One means of increasing recycling would be to require a framework for collection services and investment in processing facilities. To ensure the robustness of any such framework, additional legal and/or regulatory requirements would also likely be needed.

Another way of increasing our recycling rate would be for all twelve parishes to offer a kerbside collection facility.

We should also make every effort and take every opportunity, at parish and island level, to promote our existing services to ensure they are used to their optimum, and we should adapt as necessary to meet the changing needs of the community.