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Connétable Andy Jehan  
Minister for Infrastructure

### **BY EMAIL**

9th October 2024

Dear Minister,

### **Quarterly Hearing – follow up**

Thank you for your attendance at the Panel's Quarterly Hearing on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2024. Following the Quarterly Hearing, the Panel agreed to request further detail with regards to the Fort Regent Development. The Panel would also like to gain an understanding as to the process that the department undertakes for the development of projects from conception, whether from within the department or from other departments, to finalisation.

In the Quarterly Hearing with the Panel on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2024 when discussing delayed projects, it was explained that "[these projects may have stopped but work continues](#)". Therefore, the Panel would also like to understand in greater detail what work continues when projects are delayed or cancelled and how and if budget is still allocated to this work.

### **Fort Regent**

1. Please can you provide the Panel with more details as to the Terms of Reference of the States of Jersey Development Company, provided by the Government, for the development of the plans for Fort Regent?
2. What oversight will you, the Council of Ministers, and ultimately the States of Jersey retain over the project as it moves forward, especially in this early stage of deciding its future use?
3. Can you provide a breakdown of the total spend thus far on the renovation and maintenance of Fort Regent?
4. Can you provide a breakdown of the total spend on the development of past plans for Fort Regent, including the cost of feasibility studies?
5. What is the anticipated budget for design, planning and construction currently allocated for the development of Fort Regent? Is the intention still to fund this from the profits and proceeds of the College Gardens development?

### **Plan of Work process**

1. Please can you provide the Panel with details of the process that is followed to take a workstream or project from conception to finalisation?
  - a) Please could you outline where there are inhouse expertise to do the work and where external experts are needed or tendering processes are required to complete sections of a project?
  - b) In the last Quarterly Hearing with the Panel, you explained that often with projects a certain amount of pre-work is completed ahead of a piece of infrastructure or building work. Can you breakdown the cost and timeframe involved to take a project from agreement to ready to build?

An example for this would be the Shoreline Management Plan for Harve des Pas. The draft budget states feasibility work will be carried out in 2025, however there appears to be no specific budget assigned to this work. Where would that type of work and budget sit?

2. In your letter responding to the Panel's questions with regards to your delivery plans and savings proposals for the [Budget 2025 – 2028](#) you provided the Panel with a list of projects and workstreams that were currently underway, delayed or had been cancelled. Could you provide the Panel with the following:
  - a) A breakdown as to how many of these projects will be cancelled or delayed have already been started? Which stage are they in the construction project phase? What phases are left to do before specific building works can start for each project?
  - b) Can you provide a breakdown of how much has been spent so far for each project that is listed in your letter as being delayed or cancelled?
  - c) Can you provide specifically what has been done and how much has been spent from the 2024 budget for each of these projects?
  - d) When, and if, the projects do go back online, will processes such as planning applications or feasibility studies still be valid? If not, can you explain why?
  - e) For projects such as Le Squez Youth Centre extension & refurbishment, which the Panel notes as being delayed until 2028, can you outline at what stage of the process this project was paused? Were feasibility studies and planning applications undertaken and at what cost? If money had originally been allocated to the extension and refurbishment of Le Squez, where has this funding now gone to?

The Panel would be grateful for your written response within five working days of receipt of this letter.

We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,



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**Chair, Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Panel**