



14 April 2023

Request

At a recent Parish of St Helier roads committee meeting (15/03/2023) the following was discussed by the Roads Committee as part of agenda item #9: "*St John's Road Safety Improvements (Verbal)*".

- The St John's Road Road Safety Board was setup in 2019 which delivered the zebra crossing and associated infrastructure adjacent to the Pet Cabin as part of Phase 1. Phase 2 is to begin looking at options for improving Road Safety in New St John's Road between West Park Avenue and Parade Road.
- A number of options have been examined by the Government's Infrastructure, Housing and Environment team to address this issue. The option that will be taken forward for implementation is the closure of New St John's Road to southbound traffic between Parade Road and West Park Avenue, with traffic travelling southbound on New St John's Road being diverted into Parade Road.
- This will be implemented in the school summer holidays as a trial.

Can the Parish of St Helier inform me of the following information:

1. Details of the rejected alternative options along with reasons why they were dismissed.
2. What consultation exercise will be undertaken with the residents and businesses in Parade Road ahead of the trial?
3. Who are the members of the "St John's Road Road Safety Board"?
4. What is the membership criteria for joining the board?
5. Can you please explain the rationale for running the trial during the summer holidays, because running the trial during this time when there is a reduced number of school children present, and lower traffic volumes, will not allow for a fair assessment of the impacts of the scheme.
6. What criteria will be used to judge the success of the trial?
7. How does diverting additional traffic past a care home and a primary school accord with the Jersey mobility hierarchy in the Government's Sustainable Transport Policy, which puts vulnerable road users needs first?

Response

Requests 1, 5, 6 and 7:

The Parish does not hold this information.

"St John's Road" is administered by the Government of Jersey Infrastructure and Environment Department and the request should be submitted to the Central Freedom of Information Unit (Chief Minister's Department) of the States of Jersey E: foi@gov.je

Request 2:

The Parish Roads Committee met on Wednesday 12 April 2023 (minutes not yet available and FOI exemption applied) and agreed with Government of Jersey Infrastructure and Environment's Department proposed exhibition and letter drop to stakeholders.

FOI exemption applied:

Article 36 Information intended for future publication

- (1) Information is qualified exempt information if, at the time when the request for the information is made, the information is being held by a public authority with a view to its being published within 12 weeks of the date of the request.

Justification for exemption – the minutes will be published on sthelier.je following approval at the next Roads Committee meeting.

Request 3:

The Parish does not hold information on the members of St John's Road Road Safety Board.

The St Helier Roads Committee minutes of 6 November 2019 do record the following in relation to the "St John's Road Steering Group ('GHE' refers to 'Growth, Housing and Environment' Department of the Government of Jersey).

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

**265/19 - ST JOHN'S
ROAD STEERING
GROUP**

The Committee were advised that a steering group had been set up by GHE comprising of their officers, Deputy Gardiner and a representative of the residents, Haute Vallée School and PoSH.

The first meeting will take place in December 2019 where the objectives will be established with a view to community engagement in March 2020.

Request 4:

The Parish does not hold this information.

