



17 March 2025

Request

I wish to make the following request under the Freedom of Information Law:

The “Customary Law (Choses Publiques) (Jersey) Law 1993” provides for a Parish to be able to levy a fee in connection with a permit to occupy a Chose Publique.

How much income has each Parish received as a result of fees in connection with permits to occupy a Chose Publique each year since 2019?

How many permits were issued in each parish each year, how many of these were for the purposes of al fresco dining, and how much land does this relate to?

Response

Parish:	Choses Publiques:		
Grouville	None		
St Lawrence	None		
St Martin	As per the below schedule:		
	Year	Number of Choses Publiques	Income
	2019	3	300
	2020	3	300
	2021	3	300
	2022	3	300
	2023	1	300
	2024	3	300
	2025 to date	1	300
St Brelade	There are nine permits issued each year, all for the purpose of al fresco dining and do not relate to any area of land but to the number of covers.		
	The income received is published annually and can be viewed on the St Brelade Parish website: Accounts Parish of St Brelade		
	Article 23 - Information accessible to applicant by other means		
	Information is absolutely exempt information if it is reasonably available to the applicant, otherwise than under this Law, whether or not free of charge. A scheduled public authority that refuses an application for information on this ground must make reasonable efforts to inform the		

	applicant where the applicant may obtain the information.																												
St Mary	None																												
St Helier	<p>As per the below schedule:</p> <table><tr><td></td><td>Apr-24</td><td>Apr-23</td><td>Apr-22</td><td>Apr-21</td><td>Apr-20</td><td>Apr-19</td></tr><tr><td>Value</td><td>236,679</td><td>213,559</td><td>166,436</td><td>96,174</td><td>162,340</td><td>167,875</td></tr><tr><td>Number of Permits</td><td>66</td><td>68</td><td>70</td><td>66</td><td>64</td><td>63</td></tr><tr><td>Area (sq/ft)</td><td>16,454</td><td>16,760</td><td>16,935</td><td>15,920</td><td>14,115</td><td>13,016</td></tr></table> <p>Note 1: The square foot figure is at the time of issuing the permits, each April, this is only an approximate figure as some premises reduce /increase areas on a seasonal basis.</p> <p>Note 2: The reason for the reduced income in 2021 was because of not charging during the covid lockdown.</p> <p>Note 3: The income received is published annually and can be viewed on the St Helier Parish website: Parish Accounts Parish of St Helier</p>		Apr-24	Apr-23	Apr-22	Apr-21	Apr-20	Apr-19	Value	236,679	213,559	166,436	96,174	162,340	167,875	Number of Permits	66	68	70	66	64	63	Area (sq/ft)	16,454	16,760	16,935	15,920	14,115	13,016
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St John	None																												
Trinity	From 2019 to date the Parish of Trinity has taken £45 per annum in fees for Chose Publiques permits. This is in respect of three permits for each year, all for al fresco dining. The land occupied by each is very small, consisting of a couple of tables and chairs outside each establishment.																												
St Saviour	None																												
St Clement	None																												
St Peter	None																												
St Ouen	None																												