



4 December 2025

Request

The Infrastructure & Environment Department has a currently pending Planning application (Ref: P/2025/10062) to build a Skatepark followed by a Cycle Park on the Reversing Bays at South Hill.

In section 7.3.3 (page 43) of its Planning Statement Part 2 accompanying the application, the Department lists the names of 'stakeholders' that it contacted with regard to its proposals. A relevant extract states as follows:

"STAKEHOLDER: Parish of St Helier

CONSULTATION SUMMARY: The Connetable of St Helier was also contacted by email on 28th April 2025. This related specifically to the proposed uncontrolled crossing across South Hill and requested advice on how to engage with the Parish Roads Committee"

Other documents which have subsequently been uploaded with this planning application include (1) a Stage 1 Road Safety Audit conducted in August 2025 and dated 10th September 2025 and (2) an e-mail dated 27th October 2025 from Ashraf Lakho of the Highway Authority to Sarah Jones at Planning.

The Road Safety Audit includes details of 'problem 2.2', highlighting potential problems with the one-way status of the road at the proposed uncontrolled road crossing, as well as the risk of skatepark users being in conflict with vehicles entering and leaving the car park located at the southern end of South Hill Gym and makes recommendations which the designer accepted.

The e-mail from Ashraf Lakho (Highway Authority) goes further than the Road Safety Audit by advising that *"access from the south [of the Gym] may not be feasible due to spatial and safety constraints"*. It goes on to recommend that *"the cycle parking and access may be relocated to the north of the gymnasium building"*.

Therefore, having provided some relevant background information, please supply the following information to me by e-mail:

1 Copies of the e-mail correspondence that took place between the Infrastructure Department and Constable Simon Crowcroft which was initiated on 28th April 2025, as mentioned in the Planning Statement Part 2.

2 Any later correspondence that took place between the Infrastructure Department or the Highway Authority and the Parish of St Helier Roads Committee concerning the potential safety problems for skatepark users on South Hill to the east and south of the South Hill Gym, as mentioned in the Road Safety Audit and the e-mail from Ashraf Lakho. Such correspondence would logically have occurred between August 2025 to the date when this FOI request is answered.

Response

1. The Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 gives a right to request information that is held in recorded form, unless exempt. The email correspondence dated 28 April 2025 is provided below but with data protection redactions (*FOI exemption Article 25(2) – Personal Information - Personal data, applicant not subject but supply contravenes data protection principles*)
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From: Simon Crowcroft <Simon.Crowcroft@sthelier.je>
Sent: Monday, April 28, 2025 3:37 pm
To: Silvio Alves <[REDACTED]>
Subject: Fw: St Helier Skatepark - Reversing Bays

Fyi thanks
Kind regards
Simon
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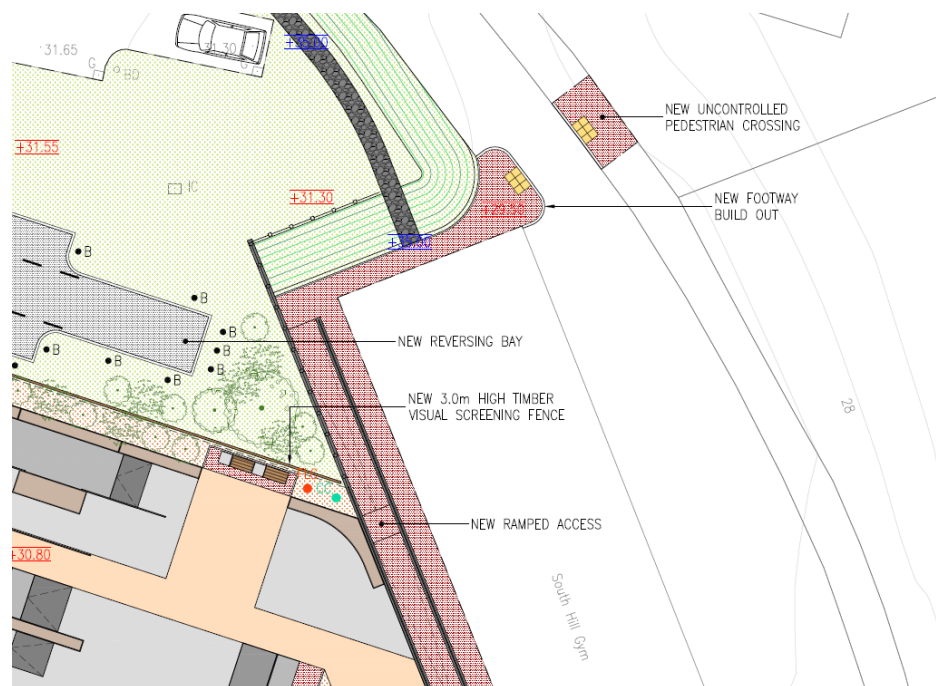
From: Oliver Brewster <[REDACTED]>
Sent: Monday, April 28, 2025 1:38 pm
To: Simon Crowcroft <Simon.Crowcroft@sthelier.je>
Cc: Andy Jehan <A.Jehan@gov.je>; Hermione Duncan <[REDACTED]>; David Le Marquand <[REDACTED]>
Subject: St Helier Skatepark - Reversing Bays

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Dear Simon

I hope you're well.

We're in the process of finalising the planning application for the proposed skatepark at the Reversing Bays. A recent change to the design made in response to stakeholder feedback is the introduction of a pedestrian crossing across South Hill. This will create separate entrances for the skatepark and Reversing Bays to avoid skatepark users crossing the bays. I attach a current plan of the proposed skatepark. The following image shows a closer view of the proposed crossing:



The road is one-way at this point so there is ample space to create the footway build out on the skatepark side of the road such that there is good visibility between pedestrians and vehicles. There would be no change to the parking alongside the gym. We have undertaken a Road Safety Audit – Stage 1 and no problems have been identified. We will complete a Stage 2 and Stage 3 audit in line with our policy as the project progresses.

As this is a Parish of St Helier road, please could you advise on the best way to present this to the Roads Committee?

Please let me know if you have any comments, queries or suggestions.

Kind Regards

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2. The agenda and minutes of the Roads Committee meeting dated 15 October 2025 regarding application P/2025/10062 can be found on the Parish of St Helier website: [Meeting minutes and agendas | Parish of St Helier](#) and any subsequent correspondence, submissions and reports have been published and can be found on the [Planning Application: P/2025/10062](#). (FOI exemption Article 23 – Information accessible to applicant by other means applies)

FOI exemption applied:

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