

INFRASTRUCTURE, HOUSING AND ENVIRONMENT

BUS SHELTERS 2022/23 TRANCHE – NUMEROUS LOCATIONS

Purpose of the Report

To request the Minister to approve the installation of 6no. Bus Shelters at numerous locations around the Island.

- *York Farm* (3846) westbound, St. Peter
- *Pomona Road* (3847) northbound, St. Helier
- *Mont Nicolle* (3464) westbound, St. Brelade
- *Hotel de France* (2786) eastbound, St. Helier
- *Abbotsmount* (2539) southbound, St. Helier
- *Bellozanne Avenue* (2394) eastbound, St. Helier

To request the Minister to approve accessibility improvements at 2no. Bus Shelters at numerous locations around the Island.

- *Red Houses Waitrose* (2529) eastbound, St. Brelade
- *Oxenford Close* (3538) southbound, St. Lawrence (including a bus shelter if feasible)

All proposals are in support of the Government of Jersey Government Plan and the Sustainable Transport Policy.

Background

A key objective enshrined within the Sustainable Transport Policy is the reduction of vehicular traffic, in part by increasing the usage of public transport. In addition to improvements to bus schedules and services, there is a need to enhance on-street facilities for existing and future customers of the public transport network. Waiting shelters for passengers at bus stops can make life considerably better for bus users and the Department frequently receives requests for such improvements.

Discussion

The shelters will all be located either on land already in Public ownership or on land that will be ceded to the Public by Developers, and therefore no formal land acquisition will be required.

The erection of bus shelters is deemed to be permitted development by the Regulation Directorate, which enables the Minister for Infrastructure to install the shelters in accordance with the Planning and Building (General Development) (Jersey) Order 2011, Schedule 1, Part 6.

To ensure that the public are aware of the proposals, for each location a drawing was prepared and placed on the Government of Jersey website consultation pages, with site notices erected at *York Farm*, *Mont Nicolle*, *Abbotsmount*, *Red Houses Waitrose* and *Oxenford Close* inviting members of the public to log their comments via an online survey over a three week period. This was backed up by a press release and advertising on Government social media channels.

Pomona Road, *Hotel de France* and *Bellozanne Avenue* did not form part of the Public consultation but have resulted from the Planning and Development Control consultation process.

A significant amount of welcome feedback was received throughout the public consultation, and the requests for bus shelters at other locations have been noted by the Department for future prioritisation, where public space is available or there are willing adjacent landowners.

Recommendation

The Minister is recommended to approve the installation of the following bus shelters and implementation of accessibility improvements as above.

Reason(s) for Decision

To provide shelters at suitable bus stop locations as part of the ongoing programme to deliver improved facilities for public transport customers, in accordance with the Government of Jersey Strategic Plan and the Sustainable Transport Policy.

Resource Implications

The project budget is £150,000 and will be funded by Planning Obligation Agreement (POA) funds and the Infrastructure Department funds (where required).

Project to be designed and supervised by IHE Staff and implemented by external Contractor.

Action Required

Officers are to arrange for the shelters to be procured and constructed.

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Attachments: