

Classification Level

Official.

Freedom of Information Exemption(s)

Decision Summary:	None.
Written Report:	None.
Supporting Document(s):	N/A - There are no supporting documents.

Reason for the application of a Freedom of Information Exemption(s)

Decision Summary:	N/A - There are no exemptions being applied.
Written Report:	N/A - There are no exemptions being applied.
Supporting Document(s):	N/A - There are no supporting documents.

Data Protection

[Data Protection principles](#) have been applied to this Written Report and the Supporting Document(s), if any. The following can be shared with Scrutiny and/or published:

Decision Summary:	Yes - redaction(s)/pseudonymization is not required.
Written Report:	Yes - redaction(s)/pseudonymization has been applied.
Supporting Document(s):	Choose an option. If there are no supporting documents, select 'N/A'.

Legal Advice

In accordance with the [Ministerial Code](#), its supplementary guidance on [Ministerial Decisions](#), and legal privilege principles: no verbatim legal advice, nor any text alluding to legal advice having been sought, is found in any of the documentation supporting the Ministerial Decision.

Preparatory Information

Ministerial Decision Type:	Miscellaneous
Ministerial Office:	Health and Social Services
Signatory:	Minister
Lead Department:	Health and Care Jersey (HCJ)
Lead Directorate:	Health and Care Jersey (HCJ)
Lead Officer:	Associate Managing Director – Improvement & Innovation

Required for the States Assembly:	No - the document(s) supporting this Ministerial Decision DO NOT require presenting/lodging with the States Assembly.
Children's Rights Impact Assessment:	No, a Children's Rights Impact Assessment is not required for this type of decision.
Human Rights Impact Assessment:	A Human Rights Impact Assessment is not required as part of this decision.

Application for funding from E J Bailhache Fund

Interventional Radiology

Introduction

This is a written report to support a Ministerial Decision and is to be read alongside the supporting documents, if any. This report has been prepared by officers and is viewed to be in accordance with the [Ministerial Code](#), supplementary guidance on [Ministerial Decisions](#), appropriate [Freedom of Information exemptions](#), and with consideration of [Data Protection Principles](#).

E J Bailhache Fund

The late E J Bailhache bequeathed assets for the following purposes, as detailed in her Will dated 20th September 1974, to be used by the "Public of the Island of Jersey for the benefit of the Public Health Committee (now the Minister for Health and Social Services) of the States of Jersey, for the general welfare of persons elderly, and/or blind or sick at the General Hospital.

The E J Bailhache Fund is overseen by a government-wide Treasury Advisory Panel Board, which provides an independent assurance function for this and other funds

Applications for funding from E J Bailhache Fund are administered and presented to the Minister for Health and Social Services by Health and Care Jersey. The decisions taken and rationale must be documented in a Ministerial Decision.

Supporting Documents

There are no other documents supporting the Ministerial Decision.

Reason for the Decision

The Interventional Radiology (IR) service at Jersey's Health and Care Services Division (HCSD) is a critical component of our healthcare delivery system, providing minimally invasive treatments that enhance patient outcomes. The current IR equipment, which plays a vital role in both elective and emergency treatments, is nearing the end of its functional lifespan, with the expiry of the service contract on 31st December 2024. The equipment is frequently subject to failure, resulting in disruptions, patient delays, and increased costs due to the need for off-island referrals.

There is already a project underway with £1,918,000 secured from charitable donations to replace the equipment. This request of £2,436,887 is to fund the Construction and Digital Services costs of this project.

This investment will allow the IR service to expand its range of procedures, including stroke thrombectomy, prostate embolisation, and vertebroplasty for osteoporotic fractures. These advancements will reduce hospital stays, improve patient outcomes, and lower healthcare costs. This project will improve staff retention and increase our ability to hire highly qualified personnel.

This funding request is made to ensure that HCJ continues to offer high-quality, minimally invasive medical care on-island. Without this equipment, Jersey's patients would need to travel off-island, causing significant inconvenience and increased costs for the health system. The long-term benefits of this investment will extend to improved health outcomes, cost efficiency, and alignment with the government's strategy of delivering quality healthcare services.

The construction of the new IR suite directly aligns with the Fund's purpose of investing in long-term healthcare improvements that benefit the community. This project offers several key benefits:

- **Improved Patient Outcomes:** A modern IR suite will enable us to perform a broader range of minimally invasive procedures, leading to faster recovery times, reduced hospital stays, and enhanced quality of life for patients.
- **Cost Efficiency:** By expanding on-island IR services, we reduce the need for patients to travel off-island for treatments, saving significant costs for both the healthcare system and patients, and minimizing inconvenience.
- **Advanced Medical Services:** The new facility will allow us to introduce critical procedures such as stroke thrombectomy, prostate embolisations, and other life-saving treatments not currently possible due to space and facility limitations.
- **Long-Term Community Health:** Investing in this infrastructure ensures Islanders have access to cutting-edge medical treatments for many years to come, supporting the government's plan to promote better health and wellbeing.

In recognition of the Fund's generous contribution, a commemorative plaque will be installed at the entrance of the new Interventional Radiology suite, acknowledging the support that made the construction possible.

Recommendation

The Minister is recommended to approve £2,436,887 to be taken from the E J Bailhache Fund to support this application.

Action Required if the Recommendation is Adopted

The department to update relevant parties of the decision.

Resource Implications

This decision will result in a decrease in the E J Bailhache Fund by £2,436,887

Conflict of Interest

HCJ have departmental priorities that may not in all cases of prospective awards align with donor priorities. The Minister is satisfied that the recommendation to approve this award was made with appropriate consideration of the risk (real or perceived) of conflicts of interest in this regard, and has concluded that the award is appropriate.