

## **INFRASTRUCTURE AND ENVIRONMENT**

### **BUS SHELTERS 2024 TRANCHE – VARIOUS LOCATIONS**

#### **Purpose of the Report**

To seek the Minister's approval of the installation of 7no. Bus Shelters at various locations in Jersey:

- *Beaumont* (2748) westbound, St. Peter
- *Greve d'Azette* (2342) eastbound, St. Clement
- *La Hocq Slipway* (2954) eastbound, St. Clement
- *La Motte Street* (2867), St. Helier
- *Parcq du Rivage* (3429) westbound, St. Lawrence
- *Trinity Arms* (4645) eastbound, Trinity

The above six sites were included in a public consultation carried out in late 2023. In addition to these, a further location has been identified at Six Roads (eastbound) in St Lawrence where the private landowner is supportive and installation is feasible.

- *Six Roads* (3728) eastbound, St. Lawrence

All of these proposals are in support of Jersey's Government Plan and its 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.

Over and above 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 I&E frequently receives requests for such improvements.

#### **Discussion**

Except for at Six Roads, the shelters will all be located either on land already in Public ownership or on land that will be ceded to the Public by landowners, and therefore no formal land acquisition will be required. Regarding the location at Six Roads, a licence to occupy the land in question is being developed as negotiations with the adjacent landowner with input from the Parish of St. Lawrence have developed to a point where it is confidently envisaged that installation can be achieved in 2024.

To ensure that the public have been made aware of the proposals, for each location a photo montage was prepared and placed on the Government of Jersey website consultation pages, with site notices erected inviting members of the public to log their comments via an online survey over a three-week period. Consultation posters were also shared with the affected Parishes and LibertyBus who were encouraged to advertise the Consultation on their premises also.

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 I&E for future prioritisation, provided that public space is available or there are willing adjacent landowners.

The construction 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.

### **Recommendation**

The Minister is recommended to approve the installation of the shelters 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 Plan and Sustainable Transport Policy.

### **Resource Implications**

The project budget is £120,000 and will be funded by Planning Obligation Agreement (POA) funds and the Infrastructure Department funds (where required).

Project to be designed and supervised by I&E Staff and implemented by external Contractor.

### **Action Required**

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

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Approved by:     Head of Transport, Highways and Infrastructure

Attachments:     Bus Stop Improvements Consultation Report