

**WRITTEN QUESTION FOR THE CHIEF MINISTER  
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QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 5th JUNE 2023  
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 12th JUNE 2023**

**Question**

“Will the Chief Minister provide the timetable for the redevelopment of both Springfield School and the Le Bas Centre into parks when a new Town Primary School is built on the Jersey Gas site, as outlined in the Government Plan?”

**Answer**

Further to discussions at the Future Places Ministerial Group, an amendment was lodged by the Council of Ministers to the 2023 Government Plan, which outlined, in relation to feasibility budgets:

*“This Head of Expenditure is also expected to be used to secure sites relating to the use of the Gas Place for a new primary school. The school would be set in an extension to the Millennium Town Park and Islanders should enjoy the maximum possible community access to and use of its facilities. In addition, the current Springfield School and Le Bas Centre sites will be transformed into new community open spaces, helping to create green access corridors for moving to and around the new school, and improvements to public realm and local active travel access routes, including to St. Saviour schools”.*

This position was reached following discussion at the Future Places Ministerial Group, of which the Connétable is a member.

The Group will be briefed on the timelines within the next month, and once agreed, the timetable will be provided to Members as requested.

Ministers are acutely aware of the need for careful but speedy delivery, given the importance of delivering the best start in life for the Island’s children and facilities for residents.

Any timetable also needs to be realistic, recognising the sequencing, including the need to develop the new school before the Springfield School and Le Bas Centre sites can be vacated and developed.

The Connétable will be part of these discussions at the Future Places Ministerial Group.