WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR INFRASTRUCTURE BY THE CONNÉTABLE OF ST. MARTIN QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 9th OCTOBER 2023 ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 16th OCTOBER 2023

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"With reference to the 'Further Listed Infrastructure Projects' identified in the draft Government Plan 2024-2027, will the Minister outline the projected spend on the following projects –

- (a) Road Safety;
- (b) Countryside Access and Signage;
- (c) Planning Obligation Agreements; and

will the Minister also provide a breakdown of the projected under-spend, if any, on countryside projects, the income from car park trading urns, and the income from third-party planning applications for developments, and identify how these areas of funding will be used to fund the projects in (a), (b) and (c) above?"

Answer

- a) The projected capital spend on Road Safety and Active Travel infrastructure projects (such as safer routes to school) is approximately £460,000 for 2023. This includes funding from associated Planning Obligation Agreements. In addition, funding of £375,000 per annum is being made available from the Car Park Trading Fund (as a result of the parking charges increase in 2023) to fund the development of a new Strategic Road Safety Unit which will be operational from January 2024.
- b) Countryside access and signage is a matter for the Minister for the Environment.
- c) Planning Obligation Agreements are between a developer and the Minister for the Environment.

A figure for underspends in respect of item (a) is not available. Funding is only drawn down from the Car Park Trading Fund as required and the balance is carried over. For items (b) and (c) please refer to the Minister for the Environment.