

**QUESTION TO BE ASKED OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND  
PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE ON TUESDAY 30th MARCH 2004,  
BY DEPUTY G.C.L. BAUDAINS OF ST. CLEMENT**

**Question**

Would the President inform members whether, in November 2002, the Committee requested the Finance and Economics Committee to sanction the transfer of £250,000 from the Car Park Trading Fund to the Transport Fund from which £50,000 was allocated to collecting baseline data, £50,000 for safe routes to schools and £50,000 for bus travellers information, and, if so, whether these funds have been spent, and, if so, how?

**Answer**

In late 2002, the Finance and Economics Committee approved the use of £250,000 from the Car Park Trading Fund to 'pump prime' transport fund initiatives. On the recommendations of the Sustainable Island Transport Steering Group, in November 2002, the then Public Services Committee decided that these funds should be allocated as follows: -

- £100,000 to boost the programme of road safety improvements;
- £50,000 for a pilot "safe routes to schools" project;
- £50,000 for a real time information system at bus shelters along a chosen route; and,
- £50,000 to improve the automatic traffic monitoring system to enable the effect of traffic policies to be monitored.

Progress for each issue is as follows: -

Improved pedestrian facilities are being designed at a number of locations including West Park, at Midvale Road/Rouge Bouillon junction, on Longueville Road, on St. Aubin's Inner Road in St. Lawrence, and on Rue Le Masurier, with implementation programmed for 2004.

Following a selection process, a 'Safe routes to school' pilot scheme has been designed at St. Martin's Primary school and details are being discussed with all interested parties, before finalising the plans.

Potential real time information systems for a chosen bus route have been identified which will be implemented when the design of the proposed Transportation Centre is finalised, as this will have a bearing on the information system to be introduced.

A quotation for the supply and installation of a comprehensive automatic counting system has been obtained, but requires modification to fall within the budget.