WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND TECHNICAL SERVICES BY DEPUTY G.C.L. BAUDAINS OF ST. CLEMENT ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 15th JANUARY 2013

Question

Would the Minister give details of the of cycle paths his department administers, together with the estimated average daily usage by cyclists?

Answer

TTS provides a shared walking and cycle route which, with the exception of a section of Commercial Buildings by the English and French Harbours, provides a continuous cycle route between Havre des Pas and Corbiere, with a connection through Quennevais Sports Centre, alongside the airport to the southern end of St Peter's Village.

In addition to the above, the following discrete routes are also designated shared walking and cycle paths:-

The footpath on Beaumont Hill, La Perquage Path in St Lawrence from Sandybrook to La Route de la Haule, Gorey harbour to Lavender Villa.

Ignoring pedestrian journeys, TTS survey data shows the southern coastal cycle route at West Park is used by approximately 460 cyclists between 7.30 and 9am on a fair working day reducing to about half that number on wet winter days. Interpolating from various other data the estimated total number of cyclists using that route ranges between 2400 per day on a fair summer weekday and 1200 per day on a wet winter weekday. The States' Statistical Unit 2012 Jersey Annual Social Survey shows ten percent of commuters' state they cycle to work once or more per week.

The States Sustainable Transport Policy charges TTS to improve the Island's infrastructure and to provide off road cycling and walking routes in order to facilitate and promote active travel, such that cycling and walking levels respectively increase by 100% and 20%.