

2015.10.05

3.12 Deputy M.R. Higgins of the Minister for Treasury and Resources regarding the expenditure on the new police station:

Will the Minister give Members an update on the expenditure on the new police station and whether it is within budget?

Senator A.J.H. Maclean (The Minister for Treasury and Resources):

I will ask my Assistant Minister, who has responsibility for this area, to answer this question, thank you.

Deputy E.J. Noel (Assistant Minister for Treasury and Resources - rapporteur):

As previously reported to the Assembly, the approved budget for the new police headquarters and extension to Green Street Car Park is some £24.371 million. Based on the most recent financial report from the project quantity surveyor, the overrun costs of the project are fully expected to be contained within the budget available. The expenditure to the end of September was £7.384 million. The construction phase of the project is still progressing well. At the current time, the project is on budget and is expected to be completed, as planned, by the end of December 2016.

The Bailiff:

Assistant Minister, I am very sorry, did I mishear you? I thought you said the budget was 3-point-something million and the spending was 7-point million. Could you just repeat the figures please?

Deputy E.J. Noel:

No, Sir, the budget is £24.371 million and the total spend to date is £7.384 million.

3.12.1 Deputy M.R. Higgins:

Can the Assistant Minister advise Members whether there had been any changes to the original specification of the new police station which were not budgeted for and, if so, where the money is coming from for those changes?

Deputy E.J. Noel:

The budget for the construction of the new police headquarters has not changed since the appointment of a contractor back in September 2014.

[16:00]

The Bailiff:

We come to question 13, which Deputy Tadier will ask of the Deputy Chief Minister. He is not here