

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR INFRASTRUCTURE
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QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 13th MARCH 2023
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 20th MARCH 2023**

Question

Will the Minister confirm if any non-resident consultants have been employed from 2018 to date to advise on 'highway matters'; and if any such consultants have been employed, will she provide –

- (a) the cost of the consultants, broken down by year;
- (b) to whom these payments were made; and
- (c) for what work they were paid?

Answer

The Government's Highways Section needs to employ the services of specialist engineering professionals to help undertake highway infrastructure asset management and works. This gives the Island access to expertise that is not available on-island or within the current team. The support is currently provided by WSP Limited through the Jersey Highways Partnership Framework Contract. This is a rolling five-year framework that is procured in accordance with the Government's Public Finance Manual.

(a) The question relates to a single supplier and the contract is shortly due to be re-tendered. As agreed with the Deputy, I can confirm that the services have been provided at a cost of £3.5 million over the five-year period.

(b) WSP

(c) Over the period WSP have provided professional engineering services related to:

- Highways maintenance schemes
- Highways and cycleways
- Highway drainage
- Bridge structures
- Vehicle restraint systems
- Highway lighting
- Footway and accessibility improvements (crossings etc.)
- Traffic management schemes