

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR INFRASTRUCTURE
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QUESTION SUBMITTED ON TUESDAY 11th APRIL 2023
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 18th APRIL 2023**

Question

Will the Minister provide details of the projected payment in subsidy to the new bus company in 2023, 2024, and 2025, with the figures for each year detailed separately?

Answer

Jersey's bus services continue to be provided by CT Plus Jersey Ltd (LibertyBus) who have been a subsidiary company of Kelsian UK Ltd since September 2022 having been wholly owned by HCT Group prior to then.

The Government is now in a pre-tender process and currently seeking Expressions of Interest from operators. At this stage, putting the Government subsidy amount, predicted or otherwise, into the public domain is likely to be detrimental to the Government's position and the public interest in any negotiations with tenderers in the future.

While there is a need for transparency and to provide information to States Members, the information requested is currently commercially sensitive.