



SECTION 11(5) STATEMENT
Hon. Johany “Jay” Ebanks, JP, MP.
Minister for Planning, Lands, Agriculture, Housing & Infrastructure
For the
FUNDING REQUEST TO TRIAL PARK RANGERS, SUPPORT HOUSING REPAIRS AND
INCREASE PROJECT MANAGERS
30 April, 2026

Mr. Speaker,

In accordance with Section 11(6) of the **Public Management and Finance Act (2026 Revision)**, I rise to make a statement on behalf of Cabinet regarding an exceptional circumstance transaction approved under Section 11(5) of the Act.

Cabinet approved additional funding to the Ministry of Planning, Lands, Agriculture, Housing & Infrastructure in the amount of **CI\$884,870** to support urgent operational and delivery requirements.

This includes:

- **CI\$560,870** to fund a team of three project management professionals; and
- **CI\$324,000** to fund two staff for housing repairs assistance.

Cabinet also approved an increase of **KYD\$562,860** to **PAH 10 – Management of Government Properties** to trial Park

Rangers, by pulling funding forward from the 2027 year to the current 2026 year.

Mr. Speaker, the funding supports three priority areas:

First, a trial Park Rangers programme to improve oversight, cleanliness, safety, and use of public recreational spaces.

Second, staffing support for housing repairs, including work under the Grand Cayman Housing Repairs Assistance Programme.

Third, additional project management capacity to support delivery of Ministry projects and reduce pressure on existing operational resources.

Cabinet determined that this matter met the requirements of an exceptional circumstance under the Act, including that the matter could not reasonably have been anticipated at the time the budget was enacted and required action within a timeframe that made the ordinary appropriation process impractical.

Mr. Speaker, this request supports essential public services, housing repairs, and better management of public spaces. It also supports responsible financial management by ensuring the Ministry has the operational capacity required to deliver approved commitments.

Thank you, Mr. Speaker.