WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HOME AFFAIRS BY DEPUTY S.S.A.P. POWER OF ST. BRELADE

ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 29TH APRIL 2008

Question

"What is the position of the States of Jersey Police to vehicles driving at less than a safe and appropriate speed on both the eastbound and westbound lanes on Victoria Avenue, which are supposed to be used for overtaking?

What is the position of the States of Jersey Police on overtaking in the inside lane when drivers sit in the overtaking lane and drive well below the speed limit?"

Answer

The States of Jersey Police are committed to promoting road safety and enforcing the traffic laws and regulations. It is acknowledged that driving on any road at an exceedingly slow speed can cause danger to other road users with regard to traffic build up and frustration on the part of other road users. It is also acknowledged that "undertaking" slower moving vehicles on a dual carriageway is not best practice for motorists. The Road Traffic (Jersey) Law provides for an offence of driving without due consideration of other road users and, depending on the circumstances, motorists may be warned or reported for driving in either of these ways.