

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM,
SPORT AND CULTURE**

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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 23rd FEBRUARY 2016

Question

What progress, if any, has been made towards pursuing the proposals to regenerate and improve the usage of Fort Regent outlined in the report, 'Rediscovering Fort Regent: A vision for the future', published on 12th September 2014?

Answer

Fort Regent is a critical element of the regeneration of St Helier, one of the key priorities in the States Strategic Plan.

The Fort Regent Steering Group (FRSG) that oversaw the delivery of the Rediscovering Fort Regent report has been reconstituted under the chairmanship of Connétable Steve Pallett, Assistant Minister with responsibility for sport in the Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Department.

The first meeting of the newly constituted group was held on 8th December 2015. One of the key outputs of the meeting was a request to the Minister for the Environment to define acceptable uses within any redevelopment of the Fort. As response is expected from the Minister by the end of the second quarter of 2016.

The Rediscovering Fort Regent report, combined with a clear view of acceptable uses from the perspective of the planning approvals process will allow options for the redevelopment to be developed.

Progress will be discussed at a forthcoming meeting of the FRSG to be held on 1st March 2016.