

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND TECHNICAL SERVICES
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 17th JANUARY 2006

Question

With regard to the recent announcement by the Minister that he proposes to replace car-park scratch cards with barriers, would he advise –

- (a) whether such a decision has since been made formally and, if so, when?
- (b) whether any motorists have been consulted about the change and, if so, how many and when?
- (c) what criteria, if any, has been used to assess the superiority of barriers against scratch cards?
- (d) whether any assessment has been carried out in relation to the potential for queues at the exits and, if so, what does this conclude? and,
- (e) whether any assessment has been carried out to determine the security of money held in pay machines and any additional time taken by motorists in using a pay machine before exiting a car park similar to those installed at Jersey Airport?

Answer

I can confirm that no decision has yet been made to replace scratch cards with barriers in car parks. It is one option being considered and some preliminary analysis has been undertaken into the implications and feasibility of the proposal. I can assure the Deputy that, prior to any decision being made to change the method of charging for parking, the questions that he has posed will be taken into account and the public consulted.