WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE HARBOURS AND AIRPORT COMMITTEE BY THE DEPUTY OF ST. JOHN

ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 1st MARCH 2005

Question

Would the President advise members -

- (a) how many boats are moored respectively in the English, French and Old Harbours and give details of what facilities exist for car parking whilst owners use their boats, especially during the week period?
- (b) why permit parking restrictions now apply to the slipways in the English and French Harbours, and whether boat users and other interested groups, such as the yacht clubs and marine industry, were consulted in advance?

Answer

(a) There are 45 drying moorings in the English Harbour, 35 in the French Harbour and 420 in the remaining drying areas of St Helier Harbour.

There is parking generally available ad hoc to both the public and boat owners alike.

(b) Port Parking Permits have been required for a number of years, following consultation with boat owners, for parking on the slipway in the English Harbour. This is available to boat owners having moorings nearby in order to discourage commuters and others with no harbour connections.

Recently, a number of cars being advertised for sale were found on the French Harbour slipway and, therefore, the permit arrangement is in the process of being extended to this area for the benefit of the boat owners. Overlooking the English Harbour, there already exists three hour parking, but during working hours only. Thus it is available for boat owners in the evenings, public holidays and weekends.