

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT
BY THE DEPUTY OF ST. JOHN
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 18th JANUARY 2011**

Question

Could the Minister update members on the progress being made between his Department and Transport and Technical Services in locating a site for skip sorting for skip operators who are providing a service with little government support, and also give members a date when he and the Minister for Transport and Technical Services will notify the States that a site has been identified and ready for use?

Answer

Again I must thank the Deputy of St John for raising this important matter. Resolving the issue of the Island's aspirations for recycling with the delivery of an appropriate large scale skip sorting site is of great importance.

The work required from proposition P97/2010 is being led by officers from Jersey Property Holdings who will be consulting Transport and Technical Services and Planning and Environment in due course. Consequently responsibility is shared with the Constable of St Brelade and Senator Ozouf.

I understand that numerous sites are currently being evaluated from a property perspective. These will then be assessed from an environmental perspective and an operational perspective. I am assured that a report will be presented to the States in line with the six month timetable previously agreed.

I cannot at this stage answer the second part of the question as a site will have to be identified in the first instance. To make a site 'ready for use' requires a number of steps. The States needs to decide, either directly or through Property Holdings, that the site is acceptable and available.

A planning application needs to be made incorporating an Environmental Impact Assessment. A planning consent needs to be achieved and a waste licence applied for and consented.