

STATES OF JERSEY ORDER PAPER

Tuesday 10th March 2009

A. COMMUNICATIONS BY THE PRESIDING OFFICER

B. TABLING OF SUBORDINATE ENACTMENTS

(Explanatory note attached)

Medicines (Bluetongue Vaccine Exemption) (Jersey) Order 2009. R&O.19/2009.
Minister for Health and Social Services.

Road Traffic (St. Helier Amendments) (Jersey) Order 2009. R&O.22/2009.
Minister for Transport and Technical Services.

Misuse of Drugs (General Provisions) (Jersey) Order 2009. R&O.23/2009.
Minister for Health and Social Services.

Companies (Uncertificated Securities) (Amendment) (Jersey) Order 2009. R&O.24/2009.
Minister for Economic Development.

C. DOCUMENTS PRESENTED OR LAID

Voisinage and customary law: review (P.1/2009) – comments. P.1/2009.
Presented: 6th March 2009. Com.
Council of Ministers.

States Members' remuneration for 2009 (P.24/2009): comments. P.24/2009.
Presented: 5th March 2009. Com.
Privileges and Procedures Committee.

States of Jersey Law 2005: delegation of functions – Assistant Minister for Home Affairs. R.16/2009.
Presented: 2nd March 2009.
Minister for Home Affairs.

States of Jersey Law 2005: delegation of functions – Chief Pharmacist – revision of delegated functions. R.17/2009.
Presented: 3rd March 2009.
Minister for Health and Social Services.

States of Jersey Complaints Panel: report for 2008. R.18/2009.
Presented: 4th March 2009.
Privileges and Procedures Committee.

D. NOTIFICATION OF LODGED PROPOSITIONS

States Members' remuneration for 2009 (P.24/2009): amendment. P.24/2009.
Lodged: 3rd March 2009. Amd.
Deputy P.V.F. Le Claire of St. Helier.

Ex gratia compensation payment: Mr. and Mrs. R. Pinel. P.29/2009.
Lodged: 4th March 2009.
Senator B.E. Shenton.

Police Complaints and Discipline: extension to Honorary Officers conducting Parish Hall Enquiries.
Lodged: 5th March 2009.
Deputy of St. Martin.

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E. WITHDRAWAL OF LODGED PROPOSITIONS

In accordance with Standing Order 34(1), the proposer of the following proposition lodged 'au Greffe' has informed the Greffier of the States that it is to be withdrawn –

Draft Companies (Takeovers and Mergers Panel) (Jersey) Law 2009
(Appointed Day) Act 200-.
Lodged: 24th February 2009.
Minister for Economic Development.

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F. APPOINTMENT OF MINISTERS, COMMITTEES AND PANELS

G. MATTERS OF PRIVILEGE

H. PETITIONS

I. QUESTIONS

(a) – Written Questions *(attached)*

1. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy T.A. Vallois of St. Saviour regarding GST exemptions.
2. The Minister for Home Affairs will table an answer to a question asked by the Deputy of St. Martin regarding staff suspensions within the Home Affairs Department.
3. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to a question asked by the Deputy of St. Martin regarding staff suspensions within the Health and Social Services Department.
4. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy R.G. Le Hérisier of St. Saviour regarding the inquiry into the death of a patient during an operation in October 2006.
5. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy R.G. Le Hérisier of St. Saviour regarding the undertaking of private practice by Hospital Consultants.
6. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy R.G. Le Hérisier of St. Saviour regarding the prescribing of Aspirin by General Practitioners.
7. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy R.G. Le Hérisier of St. Saviour regarding the administration of mortgages for 'j' category public sector employees.
8. The Minister for Home Affairs will table an answer to a question asked by the Deputy of St. Martin regarding complaints made against the States and Honorary Police and referred to the Jersey Police Complaints Authority.

9. The Chairman of the Comité des Connétables will table an answer to a question asked by the Deputy of St. Martin regarding complaints made against the Honorary Police.
10. The Minister for Transport and Technical Services will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy S.S.P.A. Power of St. Brelade regarding the continued delivery of domestic waste to Bellozanne.
11. The Minister for Transport and Technical Services will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy S.S.P.A. Power of St. Brelade regarding the use of Liberation Station as an extension to the main taxi rank at the Weighbridge.
12. The Minister for Economic Development will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy S.S.P.A. Power of St. Brelade regarding the upkeep of La Folie Inn.
13. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy S. Pitman of St. Helier regarding support for those made redundant through insolvency in Jersey.
14. The Chairman of the Privileges and Procedures Committee will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the encouragement of postal voting.
15. The Chairman of the Comité des Connétables will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding measures to increase voter participation in the next election.
16. The Minister for Economic Development will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the delivery of an 'all-year round' service to Stansted.
17. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding proposals for fiscal support to help the economy through the recession.
18. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding timescales for dealing with various Income Support payments.
19. H.M. Attorney General will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy T.M. Pitman of St. Helier regarding the scope of Article 39A of the Public Elections (Jersey) Law 2002.

(b) – Oral Questions

(90 minutes)

1. Deputy A.K.F. Green of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources –

“Could the Minister advise the Assembly what action, if any, he has taken to address the situation regarding GST and the ‘Meals On Wheels’ service?”
2. The Deputy of St. John will ask the following question of the Minister for Education, Sport and Culture –

“Would the Minister advise what action, if any, is being taken to alleviate energy wastage in the Island’s non fee paying schools, particularly at Trinity School and, given that he also has responsibility for the States fee-paying schools, would he explain why Victoria College have flood lights on from dusk to dawn?”

3. The Deputy of St. John will ask the following question of the Minister for Economic Development –

“Given that the Lighthouse Memorial to deportees attracts youths on skate boards who skate on the polished surface, can the Minister advise whether he intends to review safety in the area to avoid collisions between skateboarders and pedestrians and vehicles in the area, and if so, when?”

4. Deputy K.C. Lewis of St. Saviour will ask the following question of the Minister for Health and Social Services –

“Will the Minister be seeking to ban the so called legal-high drugs available in the Island?”

5. The Deputy of Grouville will ask the following question of the Minister for Planning and Environment –

“When Planning Officers are making recommendations to the Minister to approve or refuse a planning application, which Laws, policies and guidelines are taken into account to assist or determine their recommendation?”

6. The Deputy of St. Martin will ask the following question of the Minister for Health and Social Services –

“Given the considerable funding to Family Nursing and Home Care, will the Minister advise Members what monitoring provision, if any, is in place, whether he has held meetings with its Chairman and Committee to discuss, in particular, the lengthy suspension of its Chief Executive Officer, and what, if any, lessons have been learnt by his Department following the way the matter has been handled?”

7. Deputy S. Pitman of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Economic Development –

“Would the Minister inform Members what progress, if any, the Economic Development Department has made in developing the economic stimulus package, and advise when it will be completed?”

8. Senator B.E. Shenton will ask the following question of the Minister for Planning and Environment –

“Does the Planning and Environment Department have a presumption against the use of local architects in major developments, and can the Minister explain the reason for the increased use of United Kingdom brand name architects for local developments?”

9. Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade will ask the following question of the Minister for Housing –

“How does the Minister reconcile his decision to virtually suspend the issuing of ‘j’-category permits with the Council of Ministers’ policy of increasing the population by 430 individuals per annum, as detailed in the draft Strategic Plan?”

10. Deputy S. Pitman of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Health and Social Services –

“Would the Minister inform Members when he was first informed that the reciprocal health agreement with the United Kingdom (UK) was to end, and what discussions, if any, have taken

place with the Department, himself and the UK authorities in trying to prevent this from happening?

11. Deputy R.G. Le Hérisssier of St. Saviour will ask the following question of the Minister for Health and Social Services –

“Under what circumstances are medical practitioners attached to Health and Social Services suspended and what reviews, if any, are built into such suspensions?”

12. Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Chairman of the Comité des Connétables -

“Will the Chairman outline whether any additional measures were put in place to assist the housebound or elderly to vote by post in the most recent elections for Deputies; whether any measures to increase postal voting are under consideration for the next elections and, if not, why not and will he further undertake to engage with the Privileges and Procedures Committee to investigate using on-line voting in the 2011 elections?”

13. Deputy J.A. Martin of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Social Security –

“Given the proposal within the draft Strategic Plan to provide a ‘safety net’ for the vulnerable and people in need, has the Minister given any consideration to helping towards mortgage payments for a length of time when people are in difficulty, and if so, will he outline the proposals and advise how long they will take to implement?”

14. Deputy S.S.P.A. Power of St. Brelade will ask the following question of the Minister for Economic Development–

“Would the Minister explain what action, if any, he intends to take in negotiating the removal of the ongoing ban on Jersey fishermen landing their catches directly at St. Malo, when they are allowed to do so at St. Brieuc and Roscoff?”

15. Deputy K.C. Lewis of St. Saviour will ask the following question of the Minister for Health and Social Services –

“Further to reports that drug users are discarding syringes around the Island with complete disregard to public safety, does the Minister consider that the existing needle exchange system is adequate and, if not, what improvements, if any, does he propose?”

16. Deputy M. Tadier of St. Brelade will ask the following question of the Minister for Education, Sport and Culture –

“Can the Minister inform the Assembly whether any senior officers in the Education, Sport and Culture Department are subject to Police investigations pertaining to child abuse and, if so, whether such investigations have been terminated?”

17. Deputy A.E. Jeune of St. Brelade will ask the following question of the Minister for Health and Social Services –

“Would the Minister outline what arrangements, as mentioned when responding to questions on 24th February 2009, he has made with Insurance Companies to provide health cover for Jersey residents travelling within the United Kingdom and advise whether such arrangements will cover all age groups, at what cost and how he plans to communicate this information to

Islanders?”

18. The Deputy of St. Mary will ask the following question of the Minister for Transport and Technical Services –

“In accordance with his commitment to conform with European Union legislation, will the Minister advise whether the new Incinerator will, as is the current practice, burn metals of all kinds which are present in unseparated waste?”

19. Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Social Security -

“Will the Minister advise members when he will be informing those Income Support recipients on transitional protection of the sums they will be losing on 1st October 2009, so that they can make preparations for the coming loss of income and will he further indicate to members what the distribution of these reductions is and what types of households will be affected?”

20. Deputy T.A. Vallois of St. Saviour will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources–

Will the Minister inform Members whether he sees the 20% rate of income tax as being 'sacrosanct'; and advise whether he has investigated the impact of introducing an upper tier of taxation; and, if so, what does he consider to be the optimum threshold(s), in terms of income and political acceptability, should this type of progressive taxation be introduced?”

21. Deputy S.S.P.A. Power of St. Brelade will ask the following question of the Minister for Transport and Technical Services–

“Would the Minister clarify whether the mulch or compost produced by the Transport and Technical Services Department at La Collette is still available to local users and buyers and, if not, why?”

22. Deputy R.G. Le Hérissier of St. Saviour will ask the following question of the Minister for Economic Development –

“Is the Minister satisfied with the regulatory oversight exercised over the Jersey Electricity Company?”

23. The Deputy of Trinity will ask the following question of the Minister for Health and Social Services –

“Is the Minister satisfied that the threat of withdrawing the funding for Family Nursing and Home Care Services will not be seen as intimidation of the frail and elderly of the Island, who may rely on this vital service?”

24. Deputy T. Pitman of St. Saviour will ask the following question of the Chief Minister –

“In view of the fact that Ministers are responsible for multi-million pound budgets and that maintaining public confidence in the handling of these is of paramount importance, what checks, if any, did the Chief Minister undertake into matters such as criminal convictions and other relevant background matters prior to announcing his selections for Ministerial positions in December 2008?”

25. Deputy P.V.F. Le Claire of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Health

and Social Services –

“Once the reciprocal health agreement ends with the United Kingdom, will the requirements for personal insurance affect all residents of Jersey, or will European Union Nationals be treated differently than Jersey people and, if so, how and why?”

26. The Deputy of St. Martin will ask the following question of the Chief Minister–

“Will the Chief Minister define a ‘neutral act’ in relation to suspensions and advise whether there are any guidelines on the conduct of the reviews held after 8 weeks of suspension, particularly to ensure such reviews are independent and allow for the employee to be accompanied by a representative and, if no such provisions exist, is he minded to remedy the matter?”

27. Deputy J.A. Martin of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Economic Development –

“What work, if any, has been undertaken with local firms to help those made unemployed, or those leaving school this year, in order to ‘support people to help themselves’ as stated within the draft Strategic Plan, and if the Minister has made progress in this area, would he outline his proposals and advise how long they will take to implement?”

28. Deputy A.K.F. Green of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Transport and Technical Services –

“Would the Minister outline to the Assembly the short, medium and long term plans for the public to dispose of green waste and advise whether the use of Warwick Farm is a permanent part of this strategy?”

29. Deputy T.A. Vallois of St. Saviour will ask the following question of the Minister for Education, Sport and Culture –

“Given that there have been ongoing problems associated with school traffic for many years, would the Minister advise whether the issue is being addressed by the Education, Sport and Culture Department and if so, how?”

(c) – Questions to Ministers without notice (30 minutes) –

1st question period – Minister for Housing

2nd question period – Minister for Planning and Environment

J. PERSONAL STATEMENTS

K. STATEMENTS ON A MATTER OF OFFICIAL RESPONSIBILITY

L. PUBLIC BUSINESS

Draft Amendment (No. 10) of the Standing Orders of the States of Jersey.
Lodged: 5th December 2008.
Privileges and Procedures Committee.

P.179/2008.

Voisinage and customary law: review.
Lodged: 5th January 2009.

P.1/2009.

Senator B.E. Shenton.

Voisinage and customary law: review (P.1/2009) – comments. P.1/2009.
Presented: 6th March 2009. Com.
Council of Ministers.

Property sold by the public: restriction on renting back. P.7/2009.
Lodged: 20th January 2009.
Deputy P.V.F. Le Claire of St. Helier.

Jersey Consumer Council: appointment of Chairman. P.10/2009.
Lodged: 23rd January 2009. (re-issue)
Minister for Economic Development.

Public Employees Contributory Retirement Scheme: membership of the P.14/2009.
Committee of Management.
Lodged: 29th January 2009.
Chief Minister.

Manual Workers' Joint Council: Employers' Side membership. P.15/2009.
Lodged: 29th January 2009.
Chief Minister.

Appointments Commission: re-appointment of member. P.23/2009.
Lodged: 11th February 2009.
Chief Minister.

States Members' remuneration for 2009. P.24/2009.
Lodged: 19th February 2009.
Connétable of St. Peter.

States Members' remuneration for 2009 (P.24/2009): comments. P.24/2009.
Presented: 5th March 2009. Com.
Privileges and Procedures Committee.

States Members' remuneration for 2009 (P.24/2009): amendment. P.24/2009.
Lodged: 3rd March 2009. Amd.
Deputy P.V.F. Le Claire of St. Helier.

Social Security Tribunal: appointment of members. P.25/2009.
Lodged: 24th February 2009.
Minister for Social Security.

M. ARRANGEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

24th March 2009

Ratification of the Agreements for the Exchange of Information Relating to Tax P.20/2009.
Matters between the States of Jersey and the Nordic countries (Denmark, the
Faroes, Finland, Greenland, Iceland, Norway and Sweden).
Lodged: 10th February 2009.
Chief Minister.

Draft Taxation (Exchange of Information with Third Countries) (Amendment P.21/2009.
No. 2) (Jersey) Regulations 2009

Lodged: 10th February 2009.
Chief Minister.

31st March 2009

Rates: the States' liability. P.147/2008.
Lodged: 16th September 2008.
Connétable of St. Helier.

Rates: the States' liability (P.147/2008) – comments. P.147/2008.
Presented: 16th January 2009. Com.
Minister for Treasury and Resources.

Draft Income Tax (Amendment No. 32) (Jersey) Law 200. P.161/2008.
Lodged: 21st October 2008.
Minister for Treasury and Resources.

Draft Income Tax (Amendment No. 32) (Jersey) Law 200 (P.161/2008): P.161/2008.
comments. Com.
Presented: 25th November 2008.
Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel.

Ministerial government: review. P.181/2008.
Lodged: 10th December 2008.
Deputy of St. John.

La Pouquelaye old school site: provision of youth and community facilities. P.187/2008.
Lodged: 24th December 2008.
Connétable of St. Helier.

Williamson Report: Implementation Plan – funding. P.17/2009.
Lodged: 4th February 2009.
Minister for Treasury and Resources.

Draft Royal Court (Amendment No. 12) (Jersey) Law 200. P.19/2009.
Lodged: 9th February 2009.
Chief Minister.

Draft Employment (Amendment No. 5) (Jersey) Law 200. P.27/2009.
Lodged: 24th February 2009.
Minister for Social Security.

Goods and Services Tax: exemption or zero-rating for foodstuffs and domestic P.28/2009.
energy.
Lodged: 24th February 2009.
Deputy of Grouville.

Ex gratia compensation payment: Mr. and Mrs. R. Pinel. P.29/2009.
Lodged: 4th March 2009.
Senator B.E. Shenton.

Police Complaints and Discipline: extension to Honorary Officers conducting P.30/2009.
Parish Hall Enquiries.
Lodged: 5th March 2009.
Deputy of St. Martin.

28th April 2009

12th May 2009

Public Elections (Jersey) Law 2002: rescindment of Article 39A.
Lodged: 4th February 2009.
Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier.

P.18/2009.

16th June 2009

Ann Court Site, St. Helier: use for sheltered social housing for the over55s.
Lodged: 23rd December 2008.
Deputy J.A. Martin of St. Helier.

P.184/2008.
(re-issue)

Natural gas pipeline: strategic study.
Lodged: 29th January 2009.
Deputy P.V.F. Le Claire of St. Helier.

P.16/2009.

M.N. DE LA HAYE
Greffier of the States

5th March 2009

Note –

In accordance with the meeting dates fixed for 2009 by the Privileges and Procedures Committee, this meeting will continue, if necessary, on Wednesday 11th and Thursday 12th March 2009.

Explanatory Note regarding subordinate legislation tabled at this meeting.

(See Item B)

R&O.19/2009.

This Order will permit Bluetongue Serotype 1 Vaccine to be imported by the States Veterinary Officer or by veterinary surgeons.

The Order was made on 20th February 2009 and came into force forthwith.

R&O.22/2009.

This Order amends the Road Traffic (St. Helier) (Jersey) Order 1996 and the Road Traffic (Disabled Persons) (Parking) (Jersey) Order 2002 in respect of St. Helier.

The Order was made on 27th February 2009 and comes into force on 13th March 2009.

R&O.23/2009.

This Order revokes and re-enacts the Misuse of Drugs (General Provisions) (Jersey) Order 1989 to include provisions enacting certain recommendations of the Shipman Inquiry.

The Order was made on 27th February 2009 and comes into force on 1st May 2009.

R&O.24/2009.

This Order amends the Companies (Uncertificated Securities) (Jersey) Order 1999 to widen the definition of "competent authority" for the purposes of the Order.

The Order was made on 2nd March 2009 and came into force on 9th March 2009.

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

(See Item I(a))

1. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy T.A. Vallois of St. Saviour–

“Would the Minister advise the possible implications with regards to exempting items from Goods and Services Tax and would he provide information in relation to any work completed by the Fiscal Policy Panel concerning exemptions?”

2. The Minister for Home Affairs will table an answer to the following question asked by the Deputy of St. Martin–

“With reference to the table of suspensions produced in answer to a written question asked by the Connétable of St Lawrence on 3rd February 2009, would the Minister inform members of the total paid to date to the 9 members of staff employed by the Home Affairs Department during their period of suspension since 2007, the combined total of which amounts to approximately 3 years and 4 months, and the total sum paid to date to staff for overtime or ‘Acting Up’ to cover the work not being undertaken by the 9 suspended staff?”

3. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to the following question asked by the Deputy of St. Martin–

“With reference to the table of suspensions produced in answer to a written question asked by the Connétable of St Lawrence on 3rd February 2009, would the Minister inform members of the total paid to date to the 15 members of staff from the Health and Social Services Department during their period of suspension, the combined total of which amounts to approximately 5 years and 8 months, and will he inform Members of the total sum paid to date to staff for overtime or ‘Acting Up’ to cover the work not being undertaken by the 15 suspended staff?”

4. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy R.G. Le Hérissier of St. Saviour–

“Will the Minister outline the procedure followed in appointing the organisation which will investigate the tragic death of the patient who died following an operation on 17th October 2006?”

5. The Minister for Health and Social Services will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy R.G. Le Hérissier of St. Saviour–

“In the light of his recent comments in the Assembly on 3rd February 2009, in response to my oral question regarding the undertaking of private practice by Hospital Consultants, will the Minister confirm whether or not he will be changing policy in this area and, if so, how?”

6. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy R.G. Le Hérissier of St. Saviour–

“Following his recent response to questions on 24th February 2009, would the Minister confirm if Aspirin as prescribed by a G.P. is different to Aspirin bought ‘over the counter’ and, if so, how?”

7. The Chief Minister will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy R.G. Le Hérisier of St. Saviour–

“Can the Minister confirm if the administration of mortgages for ‘j’ category public sector employees has been outsourced and, if so, to whom and at what cost per annum?”

8. The Minister for Home Affairs will table an answer to the following question asked by the Deputy of St. Martin–

“1. Will the Minister advise the Assembly of the combined total complaints made against the States and Honorary Police and referred to the Jersey Police Complaints Authority for each year from 2001 to December 2008?

2. In relation to the States Police, of the Complaints referred, how many were against –

(a) Police Constables and Sergeants?

(b) all other ranks?

3. How many of those complaints were investigated and substantiated?

4. In relation to the Honorary Police of the combined total how many complaints were against –

(a) Constable’s Officers and Vingteniers?

(b) Centeniers?

5. How many of those complaints were investigated and substantiated?

6. What is the annual budget allocated to the Authority?

7. What formal and refresher training, if any, is given to members of the Authority to ensure consistency in the investigation of complaints?

8. How many meetings are held annually by the Authority?”

9. The Chairman of the Comité des Connétables will table an answer to the following question asked by the Deputy of St. Martin–

“1. Will the Chairman advise members of the number of complaints made against Honorary Police Officers notified to the Comité des Connétables for each year since the Police (Complaints and Discipline) (Jersey) Law 1999 came into force in 2001?

2. Of that number how many complaints were referred to the Jersey Police Complaints Authority?

3. Of the number of complaints not referred to the Jersey Police Complaints Authority, how were –

(a) withdrawn?

(b) resolved by informal resolution?

4. Of the number of complaints made how many were against Constable’s Officers and Vingteniers and how many were substantiated?

5. Of the number of complaints made, how many were against Centeniers and how many were substantiated?"
10. The Minister for Transport and Technical Services will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy S.S.P.A. Power of St. Brelade–
- “Following his response to my oral question on 24th February 2009, confirming that the new Energy from Waste plant at La Collette will only receive rubbish directly from licensed commercial and Parish refuse vehicles and that there will be no weekend dumping facilities for private persons and small vehicles, will the Minister advise what future plans, if any, the Department has to mitigate the dust and air-borne particles that will continue to arise as a result of the continued delivery of domestic waste to Bellozanne and the resultant crushing of furniture, bedding, carpets, linoleum and other materials at the Bellozanne top yard?”
11. The Minister for Transport and Technical Services will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy S.S.P.A. Power of St. Brelade–
- “Can the Minister advise whether any thought has ever been given to using Liberation Station on Friday and Saturday nights for use as an extension to the main taxi rank at the Weighbridge and if not, why not?”
12. The Minister for Economic Development will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy S.S.P.A. Power of St. Brelade–
- “Can the Minister explain why La Folie Inn, owned by the States, has been left empty for over 6 years and can he advise the cost of re-roofing the building prior to its closure?”
13. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy S. Pitman of St. Helier–
1. “Will the Minister inform members what proportion of ex-Woolworth employees have now received their statutory notice payments through the Social Security Department, and if this is less than 100%, explain the circumstances preventing completion and the action he is taking to deal with it?
 2. Will the Minister inform members of what he takes to be the terms of the ‘moral precedent’ referred to in the debate on P.9/2009? Will he further inform members what actions, if any, he will take in the case of individuals made redundant through insolvency in Jersey throughout this year, and agree to publicise the system he has set in place to assist such individuals? In particular, will he state whether he is involved in assisting employees of Pound World with their claim for statutory notice payments?”
14. The Chairman of Privileges and Procedures Committee will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier–
- “Will the Chairman inform members whether additional measures were considered following the enactment of Article 39A of Public Elections Law (Jersey) 2002 on 31st October 2008 to–
- (a) encourage voting by post especially by the housebound and those with a learning disability;
 - (b) inform constituents of the new regulations concerning postal voting;
 - (c) display posters advertising a telephone number for those who wished to vote by post

and if not, why not?”

15. The Chairman of the Comité des Connétables will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier—
1. “What measures, if any, does the Comité have under consideration to increase voter participation in the next election, especially for those who are housebound or otherwise disabled and for whom a postal vote is essential if they are to vote?”
 2. Has the Comité considered the latest changes in the UK to render postal voting for persons with disability easier, and, if so, will the Connétables be adopting some or all of the initiatives?”
16. The Minister for Economic Development will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier—
- “Will the Minister inform members whether terms are included in the Service Level Agreement to ensure that the recently announced new all-year round air service to Stansted actually does deliver ‘all-year round’ and is not curtailed or vastly reduced in October, and if not, why?”
17. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier—
- “Is the Minister able to inform members of the details of his proposals for fiscal support to help the economy through the recession and, if not, when will he be in a position do so?”
18. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier—
- “Will the Minister inform members what timescales he has targeted in the Income Support (IS) section of the Social Security Department for dealing with the following payments, and what current performance is for each –
- (a) new IS applications and changes of circumstance?
 - (b) special payments?
 - (c) payments for medical supplies (bandages, etc.)?
 - (d) impairment components?
 - (e) payments to G.P.s for additional doctors’ visits for households with a Household Medical Account?”
19. H.M. Attorney General will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy T.M. Pitman of St. Helier—
1. Will the Attorney General assist members in defining the scope of Article 39A of the Public Elections (Jersey) Law 2002 by giving his opinion as to whether the following acts of assistance by a candidate or his/her representative are proscribed by the Article –
 - Informing the constituent of their electoral number so that it can be filled in on a request for a postal vote?
 - Telephoning the parish hall on behalf of the constituent, and in his/her presence to

request that a parish official come to the constituent's home to help the constituent to fill in the postal application or to collect it in the case of those who are housebound?

- Offering the constituent a stamped addressed envelope to return their postal application form?
 - Offering a lift on polling day to a constituent so that they might vote –
 - as an ordinary voter
 - as a person with a postal vote who now wishes to vote in person?
2. Does the Attorney General accept that the use of the word 'assistance' in Article 39 renders the Law open to the widest interpretation which might hinder the use of postal voting on the part of candidates and potential voters?"

ORAL QUESTIONS TO MINISTERS WITHOUT NOTICE

(See Item I(c))

1st Session –

	First 15 minute period	Second 15 minute period
	Minister	Minister
24th March	Social Security	Chief Minister
31st March	Transport and Technical Services	Treasury and Resources
28th April	Economic Development	Chief Minister
12th May	Education, Sport and Culture	Health and Social Services
19th May	Home Affairs	Chief Minister
2nd June	Housing	Planning and Environment
16th June	Social Security	Chief Minister
30th June	Transport and Technical Services	Treasury and Resources
14th July	Economic Development	Chief Minister