

Dear Roy,

Re Fort Regent

I thought you might like to see the comments sent to Peter Thorne on behalf of the 'Jersey Tourist Guide's Association'.

We got an acknowledgement and that was it.

As a 'Blue Badge', I have taken numerous groups around the fort. I can offer to do the same for you and any other scrutineers, free of charge!

Best Regards,

Martin.

Peter Thorne,  
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Ref: TB/MW

Dear Peter,

Re: A Strategy For The Future Development and Regeneration of St Helier.  
Mont de la Ville (Fort Regent) Proposals

Further to Martin Walton's comments at the Fort Regent meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> May, I would wish to endorse the following on behalf of the Jersey Tourist Guide's Association:

Little consideration appears to have been given to Fort Regent as a historical monument. The strategy appears to merely consider it as a site for redevelopment, rather than how the fort, as a historical monument, could be improved.

There is now a wonderful opportunity to restore the Glacis by removal of the redundant swimming pool. This would restore one of the fort's main military features and result in a striking skyline over St Helier to greet visitors entering the harbour.

Fort Regent could be a major attraction on its own and as part of the unique series of military fortifications of Jersey. At the same time it would provide a much needed 'Open Space'.

Presently some beautiful garden areas are no longer accessible to the public. These could be restored and the 'Winter Garden' aspect developed to include an integrated Glacis area.

Dubious short term financial gain, allowing long term damage by private development, must be tempered by long term considerations of Jersey's Heritage.

Please could serious consideration be given to 'Giving back our Fort' for all to enjoy and going some way to realising Jersey's potential to attract interest in Jersey's unique military monuments.

Yours Sincerely,

Tom Bunting  
President JTGA