

STATES OF JERSEY ORDER PAPER

Tuesday 12th February 2008

A. COMMUNICATIONS BY THE PRESIDING OFFICER

B. TABLING OF SUBORDINATE ENACTMENTS

(Explanatory note attached)

C. DOCUMENTS PRESENTED OR LAID

Code of Practice for Scrutiny Panels and the Public Accounts Committee (P.198/2007): comments. P.198/2007.
Presented: 4th February 2008. Com.
H.M. Attorney General.

Draft Public Elections (Amendment No. 3) (Jersey) Law 200 (P.2/2008): P.2/2008.
comments. Com.
Presented: 8th February 2008.
Comité des Connétables.

International Conventions and Agreements: progress report for period 1st R.8/2008.
October 2006 to 30th September 2007.
Presented: 31st January 2008.
Chief Minister.

Status of Channel Islanders in the European Union. R.9/2008.
Presented: 4th February 2008.
Chief Minister.

Draft Discrimination (Jersey) Law 200: consultation report – White Paper. R.10/2008.
Presented: 5th February 2008.
Minister for Home Affairs.

States Spending Review: Setting the Scene. R.11/2008.
Presented: 8th February 2008.
Comptroller and Auditor General.

States Spending Review: £35 Million Cost Reductions. R.12/2008.
Presented: 8th February 2008.
Comptroller and Auditor General.

Anti-inflation Strategy. R.13/2008.
Presented: 11th February 2008.
Minister for Treasury and Resources.

D. NOTIFICATION OF LODGED PROPOSITIONS

Draft Price Indicators (Jersey) Regulations 200- (P.14/2008): amendments. P.14/2008. Amd.
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Senator L. Norman.

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| Draft Export Control (Jersey) Law 200-. Lodged: 5th February 2008. <i>Minister for Home Affairs.</i> | P.21/2008. |
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| Draft Act annulling the Motor Vehicles (Construction and Use) (Amendment No. 9) (Jersey) Order 2007. Lodged: 6th February 2008. <i>Deputy G.C.L. Baudains of St. Clement.</i> | P.23/2008. |
| Manual Workers' Joint Council: Employers' Side Membership. Lodged: 8th February 2008. <i>Chief Minister.</i> | P.24/2008. |
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E. WITHDRAWAL OF LODGED PROPOSITIONS

F. APPOINTMENT OF MINISTERS, COMMITTEES AND PANELS

G. MATTERS OF PRIVILEGE

H. PETITIONS

I. QUESTIONS

(a) – **Written Questions**
(attached)

1. The Minister for Planning and Environment will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the proposed 'shared equity' housing purchase scheme.
2. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the Employment Relations (Jersey) Law 2007.
3. 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 electoral expenses.
4. The Minister for Housing will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the demand for three bedroom houses in the States rental sector.
5. The Chief Minister will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding productivity growth.
6. The Minister for Economic Development will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the terms of reference for a review of the Jersey Competition Regulatory Authority.

7. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the proposed sale of Jersey Telecoms.
8. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding applications for Income Support.
9. The Minister for Housing will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding refurbishment work at Clos du Fort.
10. The Minister for Housing will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier regarding the purchase of share transfer properties as an investment opportunity.
11. The Minister for Planning and Environment will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy P.V.F Le Claire of St. Helier regarding the planning process for the Energy From Waste plant.
12. The Minister for Education, Sport and Culture will table an answer to a question asked by Deputy D.W. Mezbourian of St. Lawrence regarding pupil capacity at the Island's Primary and Secondary schools.

(b) – Oral Questions
(90 minutes)

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

“Will the Minister inform members what problems, if any, have been encountered in the delivery of Income Support to applicants in the first 2 weeks of operation?”
2. Deputy K.C. Lewis of St. Saviour will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources–

“Will the Minister grant both Parish Committees and private Battle of Flowers entrants the same status as charities and zero rate the Goods and Service Tax in respect of costs associated with building and decorating parade floats?”
3. Deputy S.C. Ferguson of St. Brelade will ask the following question of the Minister for Transport and Technical Services–

“Can the Minister tell us the cost of burning a ton of cardboard in the incinerator compared to shipping the same amount to the UK for recycling?”
4. The Deputy of St. Martin will ask the following question of the Minister for Education, Sport and Culture

“The Prison (Board of Visitors) (Jersey) Regulations 1957 confers the right on Board Members to make frequent visits to the prison in order to promote the efficiency of the prison and bring any abuses, which come to its knowledge in connection with the prison, to the attention of the Minister for Home Affairs. Will the Minister inform Members if there is a similar Board in respect of visits to Greenfields?”

5. The Connétable of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Education, Sport and Culture–

“Would the Minister confirm that his department will not be allocating any further free nursery places until the outcome of the Scrutiny Panel review into the matter has been published?”

6. Deputy J.A. Martin of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Transport and Technical Services –

“Would the Minister advise members when he intends publishing the suggested traffic flow around the proposed 850 to 1000 space car park to be created on the Ann Court site and whether the proposals are included in the overall Integrated Transport Strategy for the whole Island?”

7. Senator J.L. Perchard will ask the following question of the Minister for Economic Development

“Has the integrity of the States Business Plan process not been brought into question by the Minister’s request for an additional £5.1 million for runway refurbishments just 4 months after the States approved the Airport’s 2008 Capital Expenditure Programme which included £13.54m for runway construction and AGL systems?”

8. Deputy R.G. Le Hérissier of St. Saviour will ask the following question of the Minister for Housing –

“Would the Minister explain why the discount rate applied in the sales of States owned housing has been fixed at 25%?”

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

“When considering planning applications for housing developments, is the Minister able to impose a condition which requires a certain percentage of the units in the development to be for either first-time buyers or retirement homes either as part of an original application or as a new condition in the case of a revised application?”

10. The Connétable of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources –

“Would the Minister advise what progress he has made towards bringing a proposition to the States to enable rates to be payable on States properties?”

11. Deputy K.C. Lewis of St. Saviour will ask the following question of the Minister for Social Security –

“Would the Minister inform members whether the cost of multiple GP home visits to house bound patients will be met by the Income Support Scheme or will there be a limit on the number of visits for which a claim can be made?”

12. The Deputy of St. Martin will ask the following question of the Minister for Home Affairs –

“What consideration, if any, has the Minister given to establishing a Lay Visitor Scheme in Jersey which would enable independent volunteers the right to visit police stations, whenever they liked, to check on the treatment of people held in custody by the police?”

13. The Deputy of Grouville will ask the following question of the Minister for Housing –

“Given the demand for first-time buyer and retirement homes amongst Jersey residents, is the Minister satisfied that 65 units of “self-catering” accommodation proposed in the Hopkins plan represents an effective use of a housing development opportunity whilst demand for accommodation for local people remains unmet and if so, what steps will he take to ensure that such accommodation is occupied by genuine tourists, as opposed to unqualified tenants?”

14. Deputy J.A. Martin of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Planning and Environment –

“Would the Minister please inform members how many meetings have been held with the Island Plan and Town Park groups to discuss proposals to create a new 850 to 1000 space car park on the Ann Court site and advise how this development, if permitted, will fit in with his environmental targets and the new Island Plan objective to make St. Helier a more desirable place to live?”

15. Deputy D.W. Mezbourian of St. Lawrence will ask the following question of the Minister for Transport and Technical Services–

“Will the Minister advise Members whether he is awaiting the completion of a report from within his Department in which consideration is being given to the current seatbelt legislation and if so, will he undertake to make the final report available to States Members?”

16. Deputy R.G. Le Hérisssier of St. Saviour will ask the following question of the Minister for Planning and Environment –

“Would the Minister explain why the discount rate proposed in the Shared Equity Scheme has been fixed at 35%?”

17. Deputy G.C.L. Baudains of St. Clement will ask the following question of the Minister for Transport and Technical Services–

“Would the Minister advise members what percentage of the Island’s electricity is generated by the present solid waste disposal plant, what percentage he expects the new plant to generate, and whether that figure depends upon the continuation of the current practice of burning tyres, wood, paper and so on, or will the plant operate successfully without these materials?”

18. Deputy S. Pitman of St Helier will ask the following question of the Minister for Treasury and Resources -

“As food for coeliacs is more expensive, will the Minister give consideration to granting a GST exemption on these foods?”

19. Deputy P.V.F. Le Claire of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Chief Minister -

“Will the Chief Minister advise members how many times the Constitutional Advisory Panel has met in the last 3 years and whether it has discussed the Lisbon Treaty?”

20. Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier will ask the following question of the Chief Minister -

“Will the Chief Minister advise members of the estimated cost of delivering an accurate population register?”

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

1st question period – Minister for Education, Sport and Culture

2nd question period – Minister for Transport and Technical Services

J. PERSONAL STATEMENTS

K. STATEMENTS ON A MATTER OF OFFICIAL RESPONSIBILITY

L. PUBLIC BUSINESS

Draft Proceeds of Crime (Substitution of Schedule 2) (Jersey) Regulations 2007.
Lodged: 24th September 2007. P.127/2007.
Minister for Treasury and Resources.

Draft Proceeds of Crime (Substitution of Schedule 2) (Jersey) Regulations 2007
(P.127/2007): amendments. P.127/2007.
Lodged: 29th January 2008. Amd.
Minister for Treasury and Resources.

Draft Burials and Exhumations (Amendment) (Jersey) Law 2007.
Lodged: 19th December 2007. P.195/2007.
Chief Minister.

Draft Pilotage (Jersey) Law 2007.
Lodged: 28th December 2007. P.197/2007.
Minister for Economic Development.

Corporate Management Board: access to meetings and minutes. P.11/2008.
Lodged: 23rd January 2008.
Deputy G.C.L. Baudains of St. Clement.

Income Support Medical Appeal Tribunal: appointment of members. P.20/2008.
Lodged: 29th January 2008.
Minister for Social Security.

M. ARRANGEMENT OF PUBLIC BUSINESS

26th February 2008

Code of Practice for Scrutiny Panels and the Public Accounts Committee. P.198/2007.
Lodged: 28th December 2007.
Chairmen’s Committee.

Code of Practice for Scrutiny Panels and the Public Accounts Committee P.198/2007.
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| Draft Public Elections (Amendment No. 3) (Jersey) Law 200. Lodged: 7th January 2008. <i>Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier.</i> | P.2/2008. |
| Draft Public Elections (Amendment No. 3) (Jersey) Law 200 (P.2/2008): comments. Presented: 8th February 2008. <i>Comité des Connétables.</i> | P.2/2008. Com. |
| Draft Public Elections (Amendment No. 3) (Jersey) Law 200 (P.2/2008): amendment. Lodged: 11th January 2008. <i>Deputy of St. Martin.</i> | P.2/2008. Amd. |
| Re-use and Recycling facilities: capital and revenue funding. Lodged: 15th January 2008. <i>Deputy J.B. Fox of St. Helier.</i> | P.7/2008. |
| Waterfront Skateboard and Youth and Community Centre. Lodged: 15th January 2008. <i>Deputy J.B. Fox of St. Helier.</i> | P.8/2008. |
| Draft Goods and Services Tax (International Services Entities) (Jersey) Regulations 200-. Lodged: 15th January 2008. <i>Minister for Treasury and Resources.</i> | P.10/2008. |
| Goods and Services Tax: restriction on amendment of 3% rate. Lodged: 29th January 2008. <i>Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier.</i> | P.19/2008. |
| Manual Workers' Joint Council: Employers' Side Membership. Lodged: 8th February 2008. <i>Chief Minister.</i> | P.24/2008. |
| <u>11th March 2008</u> | |
| Draft Taxation (Land Transactions) (Jersey) Law 200-. Lodged: 4th December 2007. <i>Minister for Treasury and Resources.</i> | P.185/2007. |
| Millennium Town Park: Funding from Strategic Reserve. Lodged: 3rd January 2008. <i>Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier.</i> | P.1/2008. |
| Draft Public Elections (Amendment No. 2) (Jersey) Law 2008 (Appointed Day) Act 200-. Lodged: 25th January 2008. <i>Privileges and Procedures Committee.</i> | P.12/2008. |
| Draft Public Elections (Amendment No. 2) (Jersey) Regulations 200. Lodged: 25th January 2008. <i>Privileges and Procedures Committee.</i> | P.13/2008. |

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| Draft Price Indicators (Jersey) Regulations 200-. Lodged: 28th January 2008. <i>Minister for Economic Development.</i> | P.14/2008. |
| Draft Price Indicators (Jersey) Regulations 200- (P.14/2008): amendments. Lodged: 6th February 2008. <i>Senator L. Norman.</i> | P.14/2008. Amd. |
| Draft Harbours (Amendment No. 41) (Jersey) Regulations 200-. Lodged: 29th January 2008. <i>Minister for Economic Development.</i> | P.15/2008. |
| Draft Boats and Surf-Riding (Control) (Amendment No. 27) (Jersey) Regulations 200-. Lodged: 29th January 2008. <i>Minister for Economic Development.</i> | P.16/2008. |
| Draft Goods and Services Tax (Amendment) (Jersey) Law 200-. Lodged: 29th January 2008. <i>Minister for Treasury and Resources.</i> | P.17/2008. |
| Draft Civil Aviation (Jersey) Law 200-. Lodged: 29th January 2008. <i>Minister for Home Affairs.</i> | P.18/2008. |
| <u>1st April 2008</u> | |
| Jersey Enterprise Board Limited: proposed establishment. Lodged: 19th December 2007. <i>Council of Ministers.</i> | P.194/2007. |
| Jersey Enterprise Board Limited: proposed establishment (P.194/2007) – amendment. Lodged: 28th December 2007. <i>Deputy J.B. Fox of St. Helier.</i> | P.194/2007. Amd. |
| Jersey Enterprise Board Limited: proposed establishment (P.194/2007) – second amendment. Lodged: 15th January 2008. <i>Public Accounts Committee.</i> | P.194/2007. Amd.(2) |
| Draft Export Control (Jersey) Law 200-. Lodged: 5th February 2008. <i>Minister for Home Affairs.</i> | P.21/2008. |
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Privileges and Procedures Committee.

P.25/2008.

M.N. DE LA HAYE
Greffier of the States

7th February 2008

Note –

In accordance with the meeting dates fixed for 2008 by the Privileges and Procedures Committee, this meeting will continue, if necessary, on Wednesday 13th February and Thursday 14th February 2008.

WRITTEN QUESTIONS

(See Item I(a))

1. The Minister for Planning and Environment will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier -

- i. On page 2 of the White Paper “Jersey Homebuy: a new form of ‘shared equity’ housing” (R.7/2008) it states that “buyer would purchase 100% of the property for just 65% of the first time buyer value”. As the buyer can only ever realise 65% of any subsequent sale price would the Minister state whether a buyer will, in fact, only ever “own” a 65% interest in the value of the property?
- ii. On page 5 it states that short of a fundamental change of Jersey property law, shared equity as in the United Kingdom cannot happen in Jersey. Would the Minister explain why this is so and why he has not chosen to make the “fundamental change” to the law?
- iii. Would the Minister inform members why “Shared ownership is possible but, *as a form of affordable housing provision in Jersey, is commercially unrealistic?*” (Page 5).
- iv. Will the minister explain to members how the “Jersey Homebuy” scheme “helps to reduce the public requirement to provide and maintain social housing”? (Page 6)
- v. Will the Minister explain what is meant by the phrase “Within the current 45% allocation for affordable housing, it would allow for a split between social rented and Jersey Homebuy housing based on available evidence of need and supply? (Page 9) and inform members whether this will mean that housing intended for rental to the poorest and those in real social need will be diverted for those just below first time buyer incomes?
- vi. Will the Minister set out for members the proposed income boundaries between those who will fall into the categories he is proposing through his “gateway” of those –
 - i) unable to buy at all, and eligible for social rental housing;
 - ii) who do not qualify for the above, but are unable to buy on the open first time buyer market and qualify for “Jersey Homebuy”; and
 - iii) who are able to enter the first time buyer market unaided;

for the following categories –

Single persons;
Married couples;
Married couples with children.

- vii. Has the Minister considered whether the proposed scheme will further exacerbate house price inflation by increasing the eligibility of those driving demand for house purchase whilst doing nothing to increase supply? If he has not yet considered this matter will he undertake to do so in his response?
- viii. What consideration, if any, has the Minister given to the possibility that the “Jersey Homebuy” scheme, whilst providing a short-term solution for a few potential first-time buyers, could cause a blockage in the market in the longer term, in that those who enter the scheme (as mentioned in the White Paper) are unlikely to be able to move on for some considerable time, and may remain for life?
- ix. Will the Minister give further details to members of how the 35% equity in this scheme will be arranged

and administered by “not-for-profit” bodies referred to, and what part the States of Jersey will play in such a scheme? What monies, and from what sources, are to be allocated to the scheme in order to fund the 35% funding for the initial scheme on the three H2 sites identified in the White Paper?”

2. The Minister for Social Security will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier -

- “i. In the debate on P.9/2008 on 29th January 2008, the Minister stated that “what we are bringing forward is common practice in a lot of jurisdictions”; in respect of Articles 36 and 38 of the code of practice, and Articles 5(3) and 20 of the Employment Relations (Jersey) Law 2007 will the Minister identify for members which jurisdictions he was referring to?
- ii. The Minister also stated that “the code specifically states that action shall not be classed as secondary where a union official is acting in support of his union members despite not having the same employer”
 - a) would the Minister inform members whether this provision is found in the Code or the Law and explain to members what distinction, if any, is drawn between the actions of an “official” and the actions of “members” of a union?
 - b) what is the position under the Code of a union member acting in support of colleagues despite not having the same employer?
- iii. Further to the Minister’s statement that “being employed in different premises does not prevent employees from taking action in support of colleagues who have the same employer” will the Minister explain the statutory basis, if any, for this statement and state whether, or to what extent, this is limited by the codes which are applicable to the “bargaining unit”?
- iv. Would the minister explain what he meant by his statement “I believe that the limitations on secondary action reflect our local conditions”?
- v. Would the Minister inform members of his response, if any, to the issues raised in Paragraph. 1534 of the ILO report on the Employment Relations Law and in particular to the request contained in the final sentence which stated that “The Committee requests the Government to take the necessary measures to ensure that sympathy strikes and social and economic protest action are protected under the law”?
- vi. Would the Minister inform members in what areas, regarded as essential services covered by Articles 31 to 35, minimum service agreements are already in place and in what further areas he anticipates such agreements being negotiated?”

3. The Chairman of the Privileges and Procedures Committee will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier -

- “i. Following his response to my question 3673 of 29th January 2008, will the Chairman inform members what actions will be included on the list of offences on electoral expenses and advise how such matters will be reported and investigated in a timescale sufficient to prevent offences being committed in the course of an election and not simply some months or years later when it will be too late to affect the result of the election?

In particular will he address these issues in relation to:

lobby organisations that are not registered
expenditure by third parties without prior consent of candidate
expenditure by third parties with consent
total expenditure by candidates
the use of websites based in foreign jurisdictions

- ii. Does the Committee envisage a separate Electoral Commission to supervise elections and, if not, which other body will do this?
- iii. Will sanctions include the capacity to declare election results null and void as a result of offences committed?
- iv. Will the Chairman further inform members what costs (both financial and in terms of staff) the Committee estimates will be involved in its proposals?
- v. What consideration has the Committee given to limiting candidates to a fixed format organised by the States or to providing limited assistance to candidates to ensure a level playing field?
- vi. Will the Chairman detail for members how the Committee proposes to define what constitutes acceptable assistance from volunteers? In particular, will the Committee consider the following alternatives in relation to the delivery of leaflets door-to-door by:

friends of the candidate (unpaid);
friends of the candidate (paid nominal sum);
employees of the candidate (unpaid);
employees of the candidate (paid their normal hourly rate).”

4. The Minister for Housing will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier -

“Will the Minister confirm whether or not there is any demand for additional 3-bed houses to be provided in the States rental sector, and, if not, would he provide members with the evidence he has to support this view in light of the proposal to offer such housing for sale as part of the shared equity scheme?”

5. The Chief Minister will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier -

“In view of the Chief Minister’s response to a written question on 29th January 2008 (number 3669), will he inform members what productivity growth he considers possible in the economy, how this will be achieved, and thus what the figure for the number of additional heads of household should be?”

6. 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 what progress, if any, he has made towards finalising the terms of reference and the selection of a body to conduct a review of the powers and resources of the JCRA, and state the timescale for this review?”

7. The Minister for Treasury and Resources will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier -

- “i. Will the Minister advise members, now that he has had time to study the Economic Affairs Scrutiny Panel’s Report SR3/2008, which of the key findings and recommendations he accepts?
- ii. Notwithstanding his commitment to a 3-year moratorium, will the Minister assure members that he will not bring a new proposition for the sale of Jersey Telecom (JT) to the Assembly unless and until revised powers for the JCRA have been put in place, and the issue of separation has been resolved?
- iii. Will the Minister give members a breakdown of the £500,000 costs incurred in relation to the proposal to sell JT?
- iv. Will the Minister extend his commitment to a 3-year moratorium on the sale of JT to government holdings in other utilities?”

8. 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:

- i. How many applicants for Income Support visited the department to seek advice and assistance during the week commencing 28th January 2008?
- ii. Can he confirm that the queue was some 20-strong for long periods of the week?
- iii. How many enquiries did the department receive by phone during the same period?
- iv. Will he inform members how many of these enquiries concerned:
 - (a) wrong assessments;
 - (b) incorrect payments (either by the sum paid or wrong method a payment);
 - (c) missing payments;
 - (d) requests for special payments (from citizen’s fund);
 - (e) new applicants.
- v. Can he state whether the 26-page IS application form is still in use, when he gave members repeated assurances that, following the changeover, this would be replaced by a user-friendly computer system?
- vi. What proportion of the staff involved had completed their training on the new system by the 28th January 2008 and, if this was less than 100%, would he inform members why this was so?
- vii. What proportion of the staff involved had taken the required oath in Royal Court so that they could be fully involved in the process by 28th January 2008, and if this was less than 100%, can the Minister state why, and whether this situation now been resolved?
- viii. Does the Minister consider that the timescale which required the introduction of IS by 28th January 2008 in advance of the introduction of GST on 1st May 2008, has proved stressful for both staff and recipients?

9. The Minister for Housing will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier -

- “i. Is the refurbishment work at Clos du Fort causing parking problems to residents and if so, will he inform members how long this refurbishment work has been planned and how long it is expected to continue?
- ii Will he further inform members how many car parking spaces at Clos du Fort , if any, are allocated :
 - (a) to Housing department officers
 - (b) to other States departmental staff
 - (c) to members of the public who pay for a space?
- iii. Will he also reveal what revenue is generated from these spaces?
- iv. What steps will the Minister take, if any, to alleviate any parking problems caused by the works, and will he consider suspending any permits allocated to non-residents, and if not, why not?”

10. The Minister for Housing will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy G.P. Southern of St. Helier -

- “i. Whilst the Minister has stated that he has no record of the identity of purchasers of the 60 per cent of flats sold in Jersey by share transfer, is he able to confirm that there are no large investors buying share transfer accommodation for investment in Jersey?
- ii. What estimate does he have for the proportion of flats being bought by locally qualified people?
- iii. Does the Minister have evidence to show whether significant numbers of both flats and houses are being bought by locally qualified people for investment (buy to let) purposes?”

11. The Minister for Planning and Environment will table an answer to the following question asked by Deputy P.V.F Le Claire of St. Helier -

- “i. Will the Minister agree to make public the diagrams, drawings, photos and other material presented by the Transport and Technical Services Department in relation to the planning application for an Energy From Waste plant at La Collette and advise whether these were available to the public before the application was considered and subsequently given ‘in-principle’ Planning Permission?”
- ii. Would the Minister advise whether the selective and last-minute release of diagrams and photos during the application, which were different to previously consulted diagrams, is permissible under the Planning and Environment Committee Building (Jersey) Law 2002?”

12. The Minister for Education, Sport and Culture will table an answer to the following question asked by

Deputy D.W. Mezbourian of St. Lawrence -

“Will the Minister please provide the following information on the pupil capacity in all States schools?

- i. For each States primary school, the intended maximum pupil capacity for the building design, this to include any building alterations.
- ii. For each States secondary school, the intended maximum pupil capacity for the building design, this to include any building alterations.
- iii. For each primary school, the current number of pupils in each year group, including the nursery class where appropriate.
- iv. For each secondary school, the current number of pupils in each year group.
- v. For each primary school, which year group, if any, is over subscribed, and, if so, by how many including the nursery class where appropriate.
- vi. For each secondary school, which year group, if any, is over subscribed, and by how many?’

ORAL QUESTIONS TO MINISTERS WITHOUT NOTICE

(See Item I(c))

1st Session –

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| 26th February | Health and Social Services | Chief Minister |
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| 1st April | Social Security | Chief Minister |
| 29th April | Home Affairs | Housing |
| 13th May | Treasury and Resources | Chief Minister |
| 3rd June | Transport & Technical Services | Economic Development |
| 17th June | Health and Social Services | Chief Minister |
| 1st July | Planning and Environment | Education, Sport and Culture |
| 15th July | Social Security | Chief Minister |