

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES BY DEPUTY
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 3rd JUNE 2008

Question

Is Greenfields fulfilling its original objectives and if not, why not ?

Answer

I do believe that Greenfields is fulfilling its original objectives.

The new Greenfields opened in October 2006 following a recommendation in the Kathie Bull Report which stated unequivocally that the old facility, namely Les Chenes, was inappropriate as a secure facility for 11 to 16 year old children.

Greenfields is responsible for caring for two groups of children. Firstly, those children (within this age group) who are remanded there from the criminal justice system here in Jersey and secondly, children (within this age group) who place themselves at risk through destructive lifestyle choices.

The new Greenfields conforms to the mainland's Care Standards, which is an important measure of the quality of care provided. In a recent public statement, Andrew Williamson – who of course is completing his Inquiry into certain aspects of our Children's Services – has commented on the high quality provision which Greenfields represents.