2.7 The Deputy of St. John of the Minister for Transport and Technical Services regarding parking in front of the States Building:

Given that the States closed the Royal Court Road in order to stop parking in front of the States Building, what action, if any, is the Minister proposing to take to reduce the number of vehicles which have taken to parking on the paved area in the Royal Square, and in particular the media vans with satellite dishes parked for days in the centre of the Square?

Connétable M.K. Jackson of St. Brelade (The Minister for Transport and Technical Services):

The administration of the Royal Square is undertaken by the Connétable of St. Helier but in the spirit of co-operation and joint workings and by the leave of the Connétable I will just add a few words. Anybody or company wishing to use the Square, or park vehicles in it, must get the permission of the Connétable. My department regularly polices the Royal Square and will book any vehicles which are parked there that Parking Control has not been informed have permission. The Connétable did advise me that permission was given for the media vehicles in question, however, his Roads Committee is considering maybe the placing of bollards at the access points.

2.7.1 The Deputy of St. John:

Given the west end of the Royal Square is regularly used by vehicles, some servicing this building, the residents within the area obviously need to be serviced from the extinguished road, but will the Minister take it back to his department and the Roads Committee of St. Helier that when we extinguished this road some 10, 15 years ago, the idea was to have a quiet area outside this building, not to see vehicles parked there on a regular basis?

The Connétable of St. Brelade:

Yes.