

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR TREASURY AND RESOURCES
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 2nd JUNE 2009**

Question

What progress, if any, has the Minister made in locating unused field sites that are in the ownership of the States to be used as allotments by the public and, if no progress has been made, would the Minister explain why?

Answer

With reference to my answer to question 4210 by Deputy Power of St Brelade on 3rd February 2009, I continue to support the principle of using States land for allotment farming where such use is appropriate.

I understand that the Rural Economy section of the Economic Development Department has established an Action Group of interested parties to discuss the provision and management of allotments.

The States approved the disposal of agricultural land that has no strategic or alternative use value within various States Business Plans. Should the Action Group determine that, subject to planning approval, any of the agricultural sites identified for disposal are capable of being used for allotments, Jersey Property Holdings will cease to actively market them pending a decision.