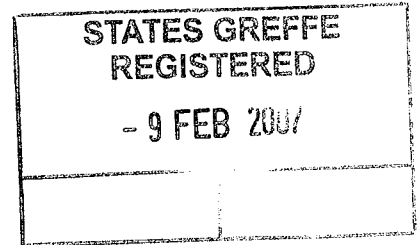


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Gentlemen,

In response to your advertisement in the Jersey Evening Post inviting opinions on the recommended supermarket "near the airport".

Assuming that the area in question is States owned airport land, I would object on two counts.

- 1) Any sale or lease of airport land for a supermarket should be offered to all and any intending operators or developers, not just to the likes of those named i.e. Sainsbury, ASDA and Tesco. It would be iniquitous if Jersey companies were excluded from bidding for States of Jersey owned assets.
- 2) States owned land at the airport has been acquired over the years, some of it, if not by compulsory purchase, then under the threat of compulsory purchase in the public interest, to serve the essential service which the airport provides for the island. Parish owned roads have been truncated and extinguished and public roads diverted, all in the public interest. To use this land for commercial purposes totally unconnected with the operation of the airport is morally indefensible.

I declare my interest as a shareholder of C I Traders Limited and C I Co-Operative Society, and as a resident of the Parish of St Peter.

Yours faithfully,

Mr A G W Clarke