WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR TREASURY AND RESOURCES BY DEPUTY G.P. SOUTHERN OF ST. HELIER

ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 11TH MARCH 2008

Question

"Notwithstanding his comments made to P.1/2008 ("Millennium Town Park: Funding from Strategic Reserve"), what steps will the Minister take to assure members that sufficient funding will be found through the "clear process for States approval of capital expenditure" to ensure that the Millennium Town Park is delivered in the timescale promised recently by the Chief Minister, and in particular where will this funding come from?"

Answer

As stated in my earlier comment, the Transport and Technical Services Department has submitted a bid for the remainder of the capital funding needed as part of the 2009 Business Plan process. Within the next two months the Council of Ministers will collectively consider and propose their capital priorities for the 2009 Business Plan, within the allocations agreed by the States in September 2007.

I have no reason to doubt that funding will be provided for in the forthcoming 2009 Annual Business Plan, as part of the ongoing Capital Programme. Again, as I have previously stated, if that were not the case it would still be open to any States Member to bring an amendment to the 2009 Business Plan.