

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION, SPORT AND CULTURE BY  
DEPUTY S.S.P.A. POWER OF ST. BRELADE**

**ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 17th JUNE 2008**

**Question**

Would the Minister advise how much the two ferries used to transport visitors to and from Elizabeth Castle would cost to buy new in the United States of America, and if less than the £500,000 recently paid by Heritage Trust for two such vehicles, outline how the additional sums were justified?

Can the Minister confirm what budget the Jersey Heritage Trust has submitted, if any, to his Department for ferry staff for each vehicle plus maintenance costs, covered accommodation to carry out such maintenance, plus the specialist mechanical expertise to carry out that work?

**Answer**

I have already undertaken to make available to all States Members a full report from the Jersey Heritage Trust into the issue of transport to and from Elizabeth Castle. The purpose of making that report available is to ensure that there is clarity over all the circumstances surrounding measures taken by the Trust to fulfil its obligations to provide public access to Elizabeth Castle.

I am expecting to receive that report in the next few days.