

STATES OF JERSEY



ISLAND PLAN 2011: APPROVAL (P.48/2011): FOURTEENTH AMENDMENT

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STATES GREFFE

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After the words “the revised draft Island Plan 2011” insert the words –

“except that paragraph 8.106 (page 320) should be deleted and replaced with the following Proposal –

‘Proposal 20: Snow Hill Car Park

A study to investigate the feasibility of increasing the capacity of Snow Hill car park will be undertaken during the Plan period.’ ”

and renumber subsequent paragraphs and Proposals accordingly.

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REPORT

Paragraphs 8.105 and 8.106 of the draft Island Plan refer to Snow Hill car park and relevant extracts state –

8.105. Snow Hill Car Park

It was in 1987 that it was first proposed a feasibility study be undertaken to examine the potential of enhancing the capacity of this car park to enhance the level of short stay shopper car parking, in close proximity to the town.

It is also identified as a recommendation in the Sustainable Transport Policy.....

8.106

.....It is considered that the feasibility of exploring the increased capacity of Snow Hill remains a long-term proposal that is not envisaged during the Plan period, but which will be kept under review.

It is now 24 years since the idea of increasing the size of Snow Hill car park was first suggested. This is surely the most sensible idea that has been totally ignored for so long! Every day there is a queue of cars waiting to park at Snow Hill. It is close to town, it would help to improve access to Fort Regent, and, as Green Street Car Park is full of commuters, it would help serve the people from the east of the Island.

It would also, hopefully, help to make the town side of Snow Hill a more attractive place. At the moment it looks a disgrace – sparse grass and not a flower in sight.

Obviously the exit from the car park would need to be looked at, as at present, it is difficult to exit from there. It may mean traffic lights, but that may be a good thing too, as drivers coming from the top of Green Street often have a long wait to rejoin the traffic at the roundabout.

I hope that the Minister will undertake this long-awaited feasibility study and just get on with it!

Financial and manpower implications

It would be difficult at this stage to know what the financial and manpower implications are, as it may be anything between now and 10 years before this study is performed. The study will either need to be funded from existing departmental budgets or, if necessary, through specific additional funding voted for this purpose in a capital or revenue bid during the 10 year period.