

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HOUSING
BY DEPUTY M.B. ANDREWS OF ST. HELIER NORTH
QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 9th JUNE 2025
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 16th JUNE 2025**

Question

“Further to the debate on P.34/2025, regarding the use of pre-sale agreements for land and property transactions, will the Minister advise what consideration he is giving to the process for buying and selling a property and to the use of pre-sale agreements to avoid instances of gazumping and gazundering?”

Answer

I expressed my support during the debate on P.34/2025 that the process of buying and selling a property should be looked at to ensure that it is efficient, robust and provides certainty to vendors and purchasers.

The Council of Ministers, however, made clear in its Comments that how and when a review of the property transaction process is undertaken is something that will need to be considered in the next political term, in light of the priorities and resources available to the next government.

I am not, therefore, giving detailed consideration to a review and, as I stated to Deputy Andrews in my response to his Oral Question on 18 March 2025 (OQ.53/2025), it is not something that I could include within my priorities for the remainder of this term of government.