WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE BY DEPUTY G.C.L. BAUDAINS OF ST. CLEMENT

ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 7th JUNE 2005

Ouestion

Would the President inform members whether the listed property being renovated as part of the Priory Inn redevelopment has been altered in any way that might contravene the original listing, and, for purposes of clarification, would be outline the details of preservation that apply to that building?

Answer

The Priory Inn is an historic building which dates from the 19th century and is included in the Committee's Register of Historic Buildings as a Building of Local Interest. Under Policy G13 of the Island Plan the Committee seeks to ensure that development affecting such buildings does not harm their architectural or historic character and integrity.

Following careful negotiation with the developers, planning permission was granted by the Planning Sub-Committee in June 2004 for the conversion and adaptation of the building to form three residential units, on the basis that the objective of the above Policy had been satisfactorily achieved. This conversion forms part of a larger development of five new houses.

The work to the historic building has been carried out in accordance with the terms of the permission and is being monitored in the usual way by officers. The Planning Sub-Committee also made an impromptu visit to the site in April 2005.