

3.5 Connétable G. W. Fisher of St. Lawrence of the Minister for Transport and Technical Services regarding projected total construction cost of pumping station on H2 development on Fields 848, St. Lawrence:

In respect of the requirement for a pumping station on the H2 development on Field 848 and adjacent fields in St. Lawrence, what is the projected total construction cost of the pumping station, the approximate amount to be paid by the developer to fund ongoing maintenance; over what period will such maintenance be funded, and what is the approximate amount required to fund the replacement of the pumps at the end of the maintenance period?

Deputy G. W. J. de Faye (The Minister for Transport and Technical Services):

Detailed design of the pumping station has not yet been carried out, and therefore it is difficult to give an estimated cost. However, it is expected to be in the order of £750,000. As part of the planning obligations, the developer will be required to provide a commuted sum to cover the ongoing maintenance of the station. The requirements for these commuted sums is apparently under review within the department, but at present the sum required to cover these costs will be in the order of £150,000, which will cover the maintenance of the station for a period of 15 years. At the end of that period it is likely that the pumps and control panel will require replacing, and therefore the developer will be required to pay a commuted sum to cover these costs. This sum is likely to be of the order of £250,000. In all cases of commuted sums, officers at the Treasury will be asked to calculate the exact figures immediately before the development commences, and the developer will have to pay before commencement of works.

The Connétable of St. Lawrence:

I thank the Minister for his answer, Sir.