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8 Deputy T.A. Coles of the Minister for Infrastructure regarding materials mixed with green waste (OQ.89/2022)

Will the Minister advise what guidelines, if any, there are in relation to the materials that can be mixed with green waste to make soil improver; and what measures are in place to ensure that toxic materials do not get included?

Deputy T. Binet (The Minister for Infrastructure):

Composting at La Collette is carried out under a licence issued by the Minister for the Environment and regulated through the Waste Management (Jersey) Law 2005. I can confirm that all wastes are inspected for contamination and any contamination found is removed from the composting process. Only 2 materials are ever accepted: that is green waste and clean plasterboard, which has to be delivered separately. It should be stated that not all compost produced contains plasterboard. Compost is made and tested in accordance with the British Standards Institution, which is publicly available, and specifications for composted materials, it does not mean a great deal to me, but it is PAS 100:2018, if that helps. Thank you.

The Greffier of the States (in the Chair):

If there are no other questions in relation to that one, we move on to question 10. The Connétable of St. Martin will ask the following question of the Minister for Home Affairs. She is not here, sorry. Then we move on to question 11, Deputy Mézec will ask a question of the Minister for Housing and Communities.