

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR INFRASTRUCTURE
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QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 2nd JUNE 2025
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 9th JUNE 2025**

Question

“Will the Minister agree to publish all papers, reports, correspondence and Minutes considered by himself or the Council of Ministers relating to the proposal to offer a 15-year lease extension to the incumbent operator of La Collette Fuel Farm, and explain the rationale for not exercising the break clauses available under the current lease expiring in January 2026?”

Answer

I cannot give a commitment to publish all papers, reports, correspondence and Minutes that I have considered in respect of this matter. Various Articles of the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 will likely apply.

Matters regarding the publication of papers considered by the Council of Ministers are for the Chief Minister as Chair of the Council of Ministers.

As explained in the response to OQ.119/2025, the existing fuel farm is required as a strategic asset to give stability and resilience of supply, and thus continuing with the current operating arrangements is deemed to be in the best interests of the island. It should be noted that there are no formal break clauses in the current lease. The option was to issue an instruction to enact clean-up works up to nine months prior to termination, or to issue a notice to purchase the facility.

I am aware that Deputy Ozouf is to be invited to a future meeting of the Council of Ministers to discuss this topic and is to be provided with certain papers as part of that discussion.