WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND TECHNICAL SERVICES BY DEPUTY G.C.L BAUDAINS OF ST CLEMENT ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 18th MARCH 2014

Question

Would the Minister advise the cost of installing the cycle racks at Rue des Prés Trading estate and provide details of their level of usage in order to demonstrate value for money has been achieved?

Answer

12 Cycle racks have been installed at a cost of approximately £2,400. Prior to installation a shortage of cycle parking within the estate was apparent with bicycles frequently padlocked to lamp columns and other inappropriate locations. When first installed, during the peak of LVCR activity, the cycle stands had a high occupancy rate. However the level of use is currently low due to reductions in employment levels at the estate, one particular business reducing its staff number from 300 to 45.

Eight bicycles can be parked in one car parking space. Given that Rue des Pres trading estate has had a shortage of car parking for many years and that it is States policy to encourage cycling to work, the provision of the cycle stands in question is considered appropriate and good value for money.