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2.17 Deputy P.F.C. Ozouf of St. Saviour of the Minister for Infrastructure regarding the optimal land use of the site at La Collette at the end of the Fuel Farm lease (OQ.119/2025):

Question

In consideration of the upcoming end date of the Fuel Farm lease, will the Minister advise whether any consideration has been given to the optimal land use of the site at La Collette, and whether or not an amended lease or alternative, could lift the designated Fuel Farm safety zone, and if not, why not?

In accordance with Standing Order 63(9) the written answer below has been provided to this Oral Question.

63(9). If any Oral question has not been asked before the end of the 2 hours and 20 minutes allowed, the Member of the States who was due to answer it must provide a written response to the Greffier for distribution as soon as practicable.

Answer

Ministers always consider how we can make optimal use of Government owned land so that it serves the best interests of islanders.

At present, Ministers consider that the existing fuel farm is required as a strategic asset in order to give stability and resilience of supply, and this is therefore considered as the optimum current use of the site at La Collette.

The current site is safe, secure, and able to readily receive fuel imports from the adjacent fuel berth.

The size and scope of the safety zone is also governed by the location of the neighbouring Gas storage site which currently has no plans for its re-location in the short or medium term.

A long-term energy strategy is being developed which will identify the longer-term options which may lead to different fuel storage arrangements and may result in some of the fuel storage areas at the La Collette fuel farm area being re-configured in future years.