

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT  
BY THE DEPUTY OF ST. MARY  
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 25th MAY 2010**

**Question**

“Can the Minister advise members precisely what measures are in place to monitor on a continuing basis the pollution from the Gas Place/Talman site as it moves under the town and out into St. Aubin’s Bay?

In particular, will the Minister tell members where, on what schedules and by whom this monitoring is carried out; what contaminants are measured; where this data is held and how it can be accessed?”

**Answer**

Consultants contracted to Transport and Technical Services are monitoring groundwater from a number of boreholes around the proposed Town Park site. This commenced in October 2008 following discussions with Regulators from Planning and Environment, and is ongoing.

Eight monitoring locations are sampled on a quarterly basis. Monitoring locations comprise seven dual installations (shallow and deep), representing up – gradient and down – gradient off site locations, and a single standard installation located on the northern edge of the Gas Place site.

Contaminants of Concern (COC’s) are identified from the testing suite and constitute Ammonium, Sulphate, Total Cyanide, Benzene, Benzo(a)pyrene and Total PAHs. The data is owned by TTS and can be accessed by request. I have arranged for a copy of the graphed datasets and a “Review of Groundwater Quality Data – Town Park, Jersey” to Deputy Wimberley to support this response to his question and further copies can be readily provided to other Members on request.