

3. Oral Questions

3.1 Connétable J.M. Refault of St. Peter of the Minister for Treasury and Resources regarding the creation of public toilets at Le Port, St. Peter:

What steps, if any, will the Minister be taking to meet the request made at a recent meeting of a representative body of all users of an area of St. Ouen's Bay in the Parish of St. Peter known as Le Port, for public toilets to be constructed in a manner that was sensitive to the area?

Deputy E.J. Noel of St. Lawrence (Assistant Minister for Treasury and Resources - rapporteur):

As far as I am aware, no request for the construction of new public toilets at Le Port has been received. If such a request is received the matter will be considered by Jersey Property Holdings and a recommendation made to me for consideration. However, there is no dedicated budget for the development of new toilets within the area, or the proposed capital programme, and any recommendations to provide such new facilities would need to be determined with an appropriate funding source.

3.1.1 The Connétable of St. Peter:

Thank you for that answer from the Assistant Minister. I would like to just ask the Assistant Minister is he prepared to work with the Minister for Transport and Technical Services and other users to determine the actual need down there and whether such a scheme would be viable in that area?

Deputy E.J. Noel:

Yes, indeed, I would be willing to work with the Minister for Transport and Technical Services and the Comité des Connétables because I believe this is not just a localised issue, there are wider issues there, and I would be mindful of the fact that we should not be having a knee-jerk reaction to what may be a more long-term solution to be worked out. I would like to point out that public toilets are available within 200 metres of Le Port at the El Tico facility, and those are open to the public on a 24/7 basis.

Deputy R.G. Le Hérissier of St. Saviour:

I just wanted to ask the rapporteur: could he indicate whether he is in favour of developing a full motor home site on the Island and, if so, which one does he prefer?

The Bailiff:

I am sorry, that does not fall within the question about public toilets, Deputy. We will move on to the next question.