WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE CHIEF MINISTER BY DEPUTY J.A. HILTON OF ST. HELIER ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 14TH MARCH 2017

Question

Will the Chief Minister inform members when he will make the necessary arrangements to transfer responsibility for the Statutory Nuisances (Jersey) Law 1999, and other relevant legislation relating to food, from the Minister for Health and Social Services to that of the Environment in order that Regulations might be lodged to address the feeding of seagulls so that such an act would be seen either as prejudicial to health or as a nuisance and thereby constitute an offence?

Answer

It is hoped that regulations to transfer these responsibilities from the Minister for Health and Social Services to the Minister for the Environment will be lodged before the 18th April, 2017 States sitting. Alongside this, if action is needed in the meantime on a public policy issue that action will continue, including reviewing legislation with a view to considering matters of nuisance and health if a person is feeding wild birds or animals.