

**QUESTION TO BE ASKED OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE ENVIRONMENT AND PUBLIC SERVICES COMMITTEE ON TUESDAY 11th MAY 2004,
BY DEPUTY R.G. LE HERISSIER OF ST. SAVIOUR**

Question

Would the President advise members –

- (a) what the loss of revenue is to Connex as a result of awarding the licence to Easylink to operate a summer tourist service?
- (b) what the estimated contribution is to the Committee's revenues from the premium applied to the Easylink Services? And
- (c) why a town "Hoppa" service was not made part of the Easylink Service?

Answer

- “(a) The agreement the new Committee has reached with Easylink for the 2004 summer tourist service provides the Committee with full disclosure of passenger numbers and fare income. This will facilitate a full assessment of the service this year and allow the Committee to make decisions regarding the whole of the scheduled bus service for next year.
- (b) The word ‘premium’ has not been used in any decision concerning the tourist bus service. I therefore cannot answer the question.
- (c) The Easylink service is a visitor-focused entity, directly fed by dedicated hotel collection and return services. A ‘Hoppa’ service would need to cater for residents all year round and may be considered as part of the Committee’s overall appraisal of public transport provision in the autumn.”