

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE CONNÉTABLE OF ST. MARTIN
BY THE DEPUTY OF ST. JOHN**

ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 26th OCTOBER 2004

Question

Would the Connétable, as Chairman of the Comité des Connétables, inform members, in respect of Parishes that still have Parish Civil Emergency Liaison Officers (PCELO) in place, –

- (i) whether such officers have to have ID cards?
- (ii) how does the Data Protection Law encompass the officers' duties?
- (iii) what are the insurance implications, if any, when an officer uses his/her own vehicle for civil emergency duties?
- (iv) is the PCELO or his/her successor permitted to travel in the parish police vehicle when on active civil emergency duty?
- (v) what accidental or other insurance cover exists for the officer whilst performing his/her duties? and,
- (vi) is there a separate budget for civil emergency purposes? If not, how is it funded?

Answer

Following discussion with the Emergency Planning Liaison Officer the Comité des Connétables agreed in May 2004 to disband the Parish Civil Emergency Liaison Officers as the Parish emergency procedures are based upon the Honorary Police service. All Parishes have now disbanded the role.

The Parish of St Helier retains a group of volunteers who form the Parish of St Helier Support Team. This team operates under the leadership of the officer who was formerly the St Helier Parish Civil Emergency Liaison Officer and who is also a member of the St Helier Honorary Police. The St Helier Support Team provides back-up support for various activities and events within the Parish including events such as closure of roads, first aid for public functions, dealing with casualties, etc.