

2.3 Deputy P.V.F. Le Claire of St. Helier of the Minister of Transport and Technical Services regarding the handling of waste material in the period between the closure of the Crabbé composting site and the opening of the La Collette composting site:

Before I ask the question, Sir, I would just like to let Members know that the documentation that has just been circulated is the report, Sir, that I promised on the 10th, and, as promised, it has just been circulated, Sir, for Members. Sir, may I ask the Minister of Transport and Technical Services this question please? During the period between the closure of the Crabbé compost site and the opening of La Collette site, what was done with all the different materials including green waste, wooden material from the construction industry and agricultural waste that had been going to Crabbé and how long was this period?

Deputy G.W.J. de Faye of St. Helier (The Minister for Transport and Technical Services):

There is a distinct difference between the Crabbé site and the La Collette site. The Crabbé site used to compost agricultural waste and shredded green waste. The green waste was received and shredded at the airport site and then transported to Crabbé for composting. The La Collette site has never processed agricultural waste. The Crabbé site was ended during 2003, the soil improver was transported to the La Collette site where it was blended with low grade soil and used to form landscaped banks over the ash pits. The contaminated wood mulch from Crabbé was baled and wrapped in plastic. This was done so the material could be stored and fed into the energy from the waste plant as and when there was spare incineration capacity. The bales are stored at the La Collette site and up to now approximately two-thirds of the contaminated wood mulch has been incinerated. Sir, I have a large number of details on the dates but I feel that it might be more preferable if I pass the information directly to Deputy Le Claire rather than read it all out. In summary, the La Collette green waste site was opened before the Crabbé site closed and the States at no time stopped dealing with green waste. The agricultural waste issue was resolved by the agricultural industry and the contaminated wood was diverted to the Bellozanne incinerator.

2.3.1 Deputy P.V.F. Le Claire:

A very comprehensive answer and I would like to thank the Minister for that answer, Sir. I am not going to ask another supplementary, Sir, I am just rising in relation to his offer of circulating the information. If I may ask that I have a copy but also that it be circulated to the Environment Scrutiny Panel.

Deputy G.W.J. de Faye:

I shall pass this copy to the Deputy and he may circulate it to whoever he wishes.