WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND TECHNICAL SERVICES BY DEPUTY P.V.F. LE CLAIRE OF ST. HELIER

ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 20th JANUARY 2009

Question

Will the Minister advise whether the large stack containers at La Collette, which have prompted letters of complaint to me from the residents of properties in the Havre des Pas, Greve d'Azette and St. Clement's Coast Road area, are a permanent feature and if so, was planning permission given for their placement in this location?

Answer

The containers referred to are utilised to store asbestos which has been removed from many of the Island's buildings. They have been on site since 1995, although the number has gradually increased over time as more asbestos has been removed from local buildings.

The original planning permission for La Collette grants permission for activities associated with the management of waste including asbestos reception.

The site is operated within the Waste Management (Jersey) Law 2005 under a working plan and licence application submitted to the waste regulator.

The Department is seeking funding for the long term disposal/storage of the containerised asbestos and prefeasibility investigations have taken place to facilitate their removal.