WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND TECHNICAL SERVICES BY DEPUTY R.G. LE HÉRISSIER OF ST. SAVIOUR ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 16th NOVEMBER 2010

Question

Would the Minister confirm whether he is satisfied with the provision of motorcycle/scooter parking places in St. Helier and, if not, what plans, if any, does he have to increase provision?

Answer

I recognise that the demand for parking motor cycles exceeds capacity and that the use of motorcycles with small engines is environmentally preferable to single occupant cars and therefore should be encouraged. Therefore, since taking office as Minster for Transport and Technical Services, I have increased the provision of motor cycle parking in St Helier from 550 to 682, with a further 50 spaces planned by the end of this year on the Esplanade, bringing the overall total to 732, an increase of 33%.

I have stated in my proposed Sustainable Transport Policy that further on-street space will need to be provided, either in areas where other vehicles would not have enough room to park, or by conversion of a proportion of existing places where appropriate. I have charged my officers to begin this work, reviewing any opportunity to further increase the provision of motorcycle parking.