WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HOUSING BY DEPUTY T.M. PITMAN OF ST. HELIER ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 19th JANUARY 2010

Question

Will the Minister give assurances that work associated with the installation of a new entry/intercom system in the homes of the elderly residents at Willow Court will be completed as a matter of urgency, including the removal of old appliances, filling of holes and painting of walls and will he provide a date for completion?

Answer

The door entry systems at the Willows had been in place since the homes were constructed. They had over time become increasingly unreliable and are now considered obsolete. The Housing Department took the decision to replace them with more modern and more reliable technology. All of the replacement work was completed prior to Christmas 2009. The systems have been operational since that time.

There is a small amount of decorative work to complete to make good wall areas in tenants homes where the old and much larger entry phones were previously installed. This decorative work is in hand and will be complete by 28th February 2010 subject of course to access to individual homes being convenient for tenants.