

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR TRANSPORT AND TECHNICAL SERVICES
BY DEPUTY M. TADIER OF ST. BRELADE
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 23rd MARCH 2010**

Question

“Would the Minister provide a cost for keeping Liberation Station open until 22:05 (the time of the penultimate buses on the number 1 and 15 route) and advise whether he would consider bringing forward a proposition by May to extend the opening hours?”

Answer

The suggested extra opening times (on Mondays to Saturdays) amount to 2 hours 35 minutes during the 34-week-long winter timetable, and 2 hours 5 minutes during the 18-week-long summer timetable. It has not yet been possible to finalise the annual cost of the suggested opening hours extension, as more time is needed for the bus operator to accurately determine the additional expense, particularly in relation to security and cleaning costs. Early indications are, however, that the extra manpower required would be significant, and therefore the additional expense would be impossible to justify in terms of cost versus benefit, as the lower numbers of passengers during the evening would mean that the extra cost per bus user would be too high.