

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR PLANNING AND ENVIRONMENT
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 6th DECEMBER 2011**

Question

Could the Minister advise what progress, if any, has been made in relation to the States-owned sites earmarked for much needed housing development when the Island Plan was agreed in July 2011?

Answer

Responsibility for the administration of the States-owned land is not vested in the Minister for Planning and Environment but, in general, falls within the remit of the Minister for Treasury and Resources, where it is managed by Jersey Property Holdings.

The Minister for Planning and Environment is responsible for seeking to ensure that the re-use and potential redevelopment of States-owned sites best meets the Island's planning objectives, as set out in the 2011 Island Plan, including their potential to contribute towards the need for affordable housing. To assist in this process, the Department of the Environment is presently preparing draft development briefs, for most of those sites identified in Policy H1 of the Plan, to guide their potential re-use and development.

These draft development briefs will be issued for consultation in the forthcoming months, with a view to their ultimate adoption as supplementary planning guidance, by the Minister for Planning and Environment. This guidance can then be used to inform the preparation of development proposals and decision-making as and when planning applications for the potential development of these sites are received.