WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR INFRASTRUCTURE BY DEPUTY K.F. MOREL OF ST. LAWRENCE QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 20th SEPTEMBER 2021 ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 28th SEPTEMBER 2021

Question

In respect of the recycling of electric vehicle car batteries, would the Minister –

- (a) describe the current process put in place by his department to ensure the effectiveness of such recycling; and
- (b) advise whether there are costs borne by his department in order to achieve such recycling or whether revenue is generated by the process?

Answer

- (a) At this point in time my department does not accept waste electric vehicle car batteries as it does not have a route to dispose of them safely. If a customer or business has an electric car battery to dispose of, we advise them that they need to contact the local dealer that sold the vehicle for that dealer to dispose of the battery.
 - The department is investigating options available for the safe recycling of electric vehicle batteries as it is inevitable that we will see some that arrive on our sites in the future due to the increased popularity of these vehicles.
- (b) Therefore, there are currently no costs borne by my department.