

23.11.28.

1 Deputy M.B. Andrews of St. Helier North of the Minister for Infrastructure regarding the Jersey Development Company and oversight of Government stocks (OQ.224/2023)

Will the Minister advise whether consideration has been, or is to be, given for the Jersey Development Company to be appointed the property manager for all government-owned dwellings, to allow complete oversight of all government stocks, and whether this change could provide additional accommodation for key workers?"

Deputy T. Binet of St. Saviour (The Minister for Infrastructure):

I think the simple answer to that is no and probably no again. I am not quite sure how it is that appointing J.D.C. (Jersey Development Company) to take over the accommodation stock of Property Holdings would deliver more accommodation for workers but I am sure there will be a supplementary which might make matters a little clearer for me.

3.4.1 Deputy M.B. Andrews:

Does the Minister not believe that Jersey Development Company using private capital is better placed compared to Jersey Property Holdings, who has a rather diminutive budget of £8 million per annum to maintain all of the government stock?

Deputy T. Binet:

I am not sure how that would work. Perhaps if Deputy Andrews would want to meet me afterwards and explain quite what he has in mind, I would be happy to talk to him. But I do not quite see how that would function.