

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR INFRASTRUCTURE  
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QUESTION SUBMITTED ON TUESDAY 16th JULY 2024  
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 23rd JULY 2024**

**Question**

“Will the Minister advise when the fountains at Les Jardins de la Mer will be turned on for the summer holidays and, if this is not the intention, will he explain why not?”

**Answer**

While the land on which Les Jardins de la Mer is situated is owned by the Government of Jersey, the public park and fountains are administered and maintained by the States of Jersey Development Company (SoJDC).

The SoJDC advises me that the fountains are in operation from the start of the school holidays at Easter to the end of October half-term. This year they were turned on on the 29<sup>th</sup> March and will be turned off on the 3<sup>rd</sup> November. The fountains operate daily from 10am to 10pm.

The fountains switch off automatically in wind speeds of Force 4 or above as the pumps are unable to handle the extra pressure of the water turnover.

There may also be occasions when the fountains may not be working due to a technical fault (for example, a pump failure) which is attended to as quickly as possible.