QUESTIONS ASKED OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE DEVELOPMENT & PLANNING AUTHORITY PURSUANT TO RULE 14 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE BY DEPUTY LESTER QUERIPEL

The questions and answers are as follows:-

1. We often hear it said within the States, that Deputies shouldn't get involved in the 'operational matters' of States departments, i.e. procedures and processes. So with that in mind, are you able to tell me your committees' approach to that issue please?

Answer – The DPA has an approved scheme of delegation to Officers which is published on www.gov.gg. The Authority's mandate includes land-use planning policy development as well as more operational matters such as determination of development applications. In certain situations applications are considered by the Authority on a quasi-judicial basis at Open Planning Meetings. Given the nature of its mandate, it is inevitable that some other operational matters may be brought to the Committee's attention from time to time, and are then dealt with by Officers of the Planning Service within the approved scheme of delegation.

2. Do members of your committee get involved in the 'operational matters' of your department?

Answer – Please see answer to Question 1 above.

3. Do you/would you, and your committee object, whenever/if ever, Deputies do/did try to get involved in the 'operational matters' of your committee?

Answer – Please see answer to Question 1 above.

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