QUESTIONS PURSUANT TO RULE 11 OF THE RULES OF PROCEDURE

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То	President, Committee for the Environment & Infrastructure
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Question 1

Would the E&I Committee agree that the performance and slimmer size of the new Wrightbus StreetLite bus fleet purchased by the States in recent years has been a significant contributing factor to the growing passenger numbers using the bus services despite a mixed year for Tourism staying visitors?

Question 2

Recently, sadly, it was internationally announced that the Northern Irish bus manufacturer Wrightbus has gone into administration with job losses. Is E&I ensuring sufficient spare parts and technical support will remain on island for the newish fleet over the next decade or so?

Question 3

The Dennis Dart Nimbus Caetano bodied fleet of eight traditional vehicles remain in service despite their age. Will their replacements be a new type of vehicle preferably hybrid or electrically powered given our collective commitment to carbon reduction and greener ideas?

Question 4

Given the success in the 1980s and nineties of a frequent double-decker coastal bus service routed to the western parishes via L'Ancresse, would the Committee consider requesting CT Plus to emulate their sister subsidiary Liberty bus on Jersey and reintroduce double-deckers such as Borismasters?

Question 5

How far has the Committee considered the next stage of the service operator tendering process including perhaps a partial relaxation of bus width restrictions on certain routes?