

## Access to Public Information Request

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## Request:

To whom it may concern.

This is a request under the 'Code of Practice for access to public information' Description of request:

In April 2020 a requete was successfully placed before the states by Deputy Al Brouard regarding a ten year moratorium on an E & I project on the L'Ancresse wall.

Part of the resolution of that requete instructed E & I, 'to arrange for the implementation of a maintenance schedule as proposed in recital 6.'

I believe that after pressure from the L'Ancresse Commons Council E & I did in fact put together a ten year maintenance program just prior to the election and submitted that to the P & R Committee for cost approval. I have since been led to believe that the P & R, at that time, has turned that down on the grounds that the costs were too high.

I have asked to see the report as this was meant to be a maintenance program, not a major project. I was informed that the report had not been made public and as we were in the middle of the election and was unlikely to be made public at this time.

I am requesting under the above 'Code of practice' that this maintenance report now be made public in full and accessible so that it may be scrutinised and commented on by those interested parties in the public domain.

## Response (provided by the Committee for the Environment & Infrastructure):

"While it is likely that the report will be made public, or at least the main substance of the report, it is ultimately a matter for the new Committee *for the* Environment & Infrastructure to consider in the first instance, in discussion with the Policy & Resources Committee, which they have not yet had the opportunity to do following the election, due to a number of pressing priorities. Therefore the Committee is applying exception 2.10 of the Code of Practice for Access to Public Information — Publication and prematurity in relation to publication. This exemption covers information which is or will soon be published, or whose disclosure would be premature in relation to a planned announcement or publication.

"For clarity, this report was initiated as soon after the States' decision on the Requête as COVID-19 restrictions allowed. It is also an internally produced report and not a commissioned report."