

Representation from Robert McAllister relating to policy NR8: Safety Zones.

The minister comments that the rezoning is primary due to the lessons learned from Buncefield. The Atkins report commissioned by the states, details the concern for properties in close proximity to the fuel farm. The primary concern is due to the worst case scenario of a failure of the tanks leading to an over topping of the bund from dynamic effect, leading to an extended pool fire.

My concern is not just that this installation has potentially blighted my property with this new zoning, with no obvious recourse. But that the recognition of this greater risk brings no requirement to mitigate the risk. The Atkins report summarizes that from Buncefield it was learned that tertiary containment bunds would 'help protect both people in the vicinity and the environment' and that since Buncefield this extra level of containment is regarded as best practice.

Unfortunately I have not been allowed access to perhaps the most important part of the Atkins report regarding views on possible relocation of the fuel farm in enable it to meet current best practice standards. Can I ask the minister if this could be put in the public domain?