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NEW IMPROVED REFUSE COLLECTION SHELTERS

During the recent Budget Session of Parliament, the Government announced that work has commenced to modernise Refuse Shelter facilities, as part of its urban renewal programme. The project consists of 49 new refuse shelters, which will replace the current open air collection points.

Designs are progressing on all the sites but works have commenced immediately on a first phase of seven selected sites and will proceed gradually into further similar phases. The first seven sites have been selected as representative of the different issues to be resolved and of the various areas to be served. The sites selected are as follows:

1. Cumberland Road
2. Scud Hill (East)
3. Castle Road
4. Prince Edward's Road (Forty Steps)
5. Castle Road (Sacred Heart Church)
6. Willis's Road (Tank Ramp)
7. Cloister Ramp

The units have a contemporary design theme with modern use of traditional materials and there is standardisation of components, forms and finishes. There is, however the flexibility to adapt this design in a manner which will best suit each unit's immediate surroundings and the differing refuse collection needs of each area.

All units will be fully roofed and will consist of solid masonry enclosures with louvred ventilation and self-closing steel doors. The interior will be fully ceramic tiled and will include lighting, full drainage and hosing facilities.

The new shelters will address and curtail the increasing problem of ape and seagull access to present open-air collection points and are intended to afford to urban collection points a high level of security and sanitation standard.

The Deputy Chief Minister the Hon Joe Holliday said “The new Refuse Collection Centres are a further element in the Government’s urban improvement programme and will do away with the current open air facilities, which are unsightly and sometimes difficult to access. The new facilities will be more hygienic and user friendly and a definite improvement on the ones currently in use”.