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THE QUEEN ELIZABETH II CONFERENCE CENTRE

You may like to know that Peat Marwick have completed a review of the prospects for the Conference Centre and its future operating strategy.

They conclude that far the most attractive option financially would be to turn the Conference Centre over to office use if planning permission would be obtained. The next best option would be to demolish the centre and sell the site.

Mr. Ridley, understandably, has found neither of these options attractive and proposes that the Centre should continue broadly as now, though with some changes in pricing policy and with a substantial increase in the catering facilities at the Centre. The Treasury agree. With these changes the predicted operating loss in 1990/91 is put at £1.8 million.

There seems no need for you to intervene.


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