

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM,  
SPORT AND CULTURE**

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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 14TH JUNE 2016**

**Question**

Given the importance of tourism to the local economy and the strategic aim to ‘encourage economic diversification’ what consideration has the Minister given to increasing the grants currently given to Events Jersey and Visit Jersey? If there are no such plans, can the Minister give an assurance that these grants will not be reduced in the next phases of the MTFP?

**Answer**

Members will be aware of the prioritisation that the Council of Ministers has placed on economic growth within the Strategic Plan and securing diversification within the local economy is a key component of this work.

The Medium Term Financial Plan Addition is due to be lodged with the States Assembly on Thursday June 30<sup>th</sup> and detailed proposals for savings and investment will be made public on that date. States Members will receive a detailed briefing on the plan before it goes into the public domain.

Ministers are now finalising the proposals in the MTFP Addition, which follow the Strategic Plan agreed by the Assembly – to prioritise Health, Education, Infrastructure and Economic Growth and to balance our books by 2019 through savings, restructuring, economic growth & some charges.