

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR TREASURY AND RESOURCES  
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 6th JULY 2010**

**Question**

“Following the answer given by his Assistant Minister on 20th April 2010 concerning the States Office Strategy, would the Minister provide Members with details of what progress, if any, has been made?”

**Answer**

As the Assistant Minister stated in his response on 20th April 2010, the high-level plan for the development of core office accommodation is progressing and it is still the intention that it will be completed before the States summer recess.

The report will set out a summary of the background research which has been conducted, the conclusions reached on the condition and efficiency of the current office portfolio and the options considered for delivering a fit for purpose and sustainable office estate.

It will review the sites that have been considered as potential locations and provides a brief overview of each. The report will also discuss the organisational changes that are needed to successfully implement the Office Strategy.

The document will include commentary on the following issues:

- Structure and tenure of the States estate;
- Spatial usage and standards;
- Location and condition of the existing office portfolio;
- Comparative studies with other public and private sector organisations;
- Option analysis of the potential solutions;
- Assessment of the financial and non-financial benefits of restructuring the office estate.

A key objective of the report will be to secure sufficient funding to progress the Office Strategy within a Change Management Programme to establish a more accurate assessment of potential savings that can be achieved through property efficiencies and proposed changes in working practices.