

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 12th SEPTEMBER 2011**

Question

In the light of the statement of the Minister for Treasury and Resources that refurbishment of Clinique Pinel was only identified as a priority after a visit by the Minister and his Assistant Minister, would the Minister state how conditions in the department's facilities are monitored and refurbishment priorities established?

Answer

The need to refurbish Clinique Pinel was identified by the Health and Social Department (HSSD) in 2000 as part of an ongoing facilities management process (resulting in 2005 capital bid). After his visit to Clinique Pinel in August 2011 the Minister for Treasury and Resources subsequently stated that "it was apparent ...this work cannot be delayed". It was not claimed that the priority was only identified at that point.

HSSD facilities are monitored by respective managers on an ongoing basis with support from the estates management team. Where appropriate the estates management team will undertake repair and routine refurbishment. When major refurbishment needs are identified they are escalated to the appropriate management board for prioritisation both within HSSD and across other States Departments.

The chronology associated with the refurbishment of Clinique Pinel is outlined in the answer to Question 6531.