

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION
BY DEPUTY R.J. WARD OF ST. HELIER
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 10th JULY 2018**

Question

Will the Minister advise –

- (a) how much has been spent on education consultants since January 2015 by her Department;
- (b) what the breakdown is of spend on individual consultants;
- (c) how the effectiveness of this spend is monitored;
- (d) what the projected spend on consultants is for the coming 2 academic years; and
- (e) what process is used to determine the suitability of employment of such consultants?

Answer

- (a) & (b)

All consultancy costs incurred by the Education Department have been included below. The definition used to determine consultancy costs is taken from the document “Guidance on Accounting for Consultants” and is referred to in “Financial Direction 5.6 - Management of Consultants”.

The use of this definition of consultancy is consistent with a previously answered States written question on this matter by the then Deputy of St John to the Chief Minister on 8th March 2016 (1240/5).

Year	Service Area	Consultant	£
2015	Highlands	Sara Mogel	5,985.15
2015	Highlands	Sally Cracknell	3,676.97
2015	Highlands	Ian Rimmington	4,650.49
2015	Highlands	AA Projects	1,565.55
2015	Lifelong Learning	David Andrews	1,556.40
2015	Total		17,434.56

Year	Service Area	Consultant	£
2016	Highlands	Frier Associates	1,074.06
2016	Highlands	Longhouse Business Services / Sara Mogel	8,938.06
2016	Highlands	Ian Rimmington	144.06
2016	Highlands	Moorfield Business Services	3,345.99
2016	Highlands	AA Projects	3,660.00
2016	Total		17,162.17

Year	Service Area	Consultant	£
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2017	Highlands	FE Associates	1,549.92
2017	Highlands	Ian Rimmington	683.14
2017	Highlands	Robert Sibley	489.96
2017	Highlands	Longhouse Business Services / Sara Mogel	6,179.89
2017	Highlands	Moorfield Business Services	4,556.99
2017	Highlands	AA Projects	20,553.72
2017	Lifelong Learning	University of Exeter	20,425.00
2017	Lifelong Learning	TCB Consulting	420.03
2017	Total		54,858.65

- (c) There is no set department method for assessing the effectiveness of consultants employed across the different areas of the Education Department. The effectiveness of consultants and their suitability for future engagement is delegated to line managers who have the appropriate budget responsibility and authority to engage such consultants. Expenditure is monitored by the Finance Team with regular meetings held with budget holders.
- (d) The projected spend on consultants for the next two years has not been calculated at this time.
- (e) There is no set process used in the department to assess the suitability of consultants employed across the different areas of the Education Department. This is delegated to line managers who have the appropriate budget responsibility and authority to engage such consultants.