

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES  
BY DEPUTY M.B. ANDREWS OF ST. HELIER NORTH  
QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 22<sup>ND</sup> JANUARY 2024  
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 29<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2024**

**Question**

“Will the Minister state the total cost of locum and agency staff to the Health and Community Services Department in 2023?”

**Answer**

Total locum and agency costs in the Health & Community Services Department in 2023 was £30.4 million.

Total staff costs for the Department in 2023 were £210.1 million including agency and locum costs.

Locum and agency staff are supporting HCS in delivering health and care services for Islanders. They cover vacancies and period of leave for permanent staff or support permanent staff when demand is higher than expected.