

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR TREASURY AND RESOURCES
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 19th JUNE 2007

Question

Would the Minister advise members –

- (a) whether the position of Procurement and Contracts Manager has been opened to external recruitment, and if so, why?
- (b) of the annual staff budget for the Corporate Procurement section and outline how the effectiveness of the section is measured?

Answer

- (a) The position of Procurement and Contract Manager has been opened to recruitment outside of Jersey. The position was advertised locally and only two applications were received. Neither of the applicants had the pre-requisite professional qualifications, or the experience required for the job.
- (b) The annual staff budget for the Corporate Procurement section is £311,614. The Corporate Management Board has agreed an additional £150,000 for staffing on a two year trial basis. The additional funds have been ring fenced as “pump priming” to provide additional procurement expertise to deliver savings in excess of the £2 million previously identified. The Corporate Procurement annual savings targets have been increased to cover the additional salary costs and it is expected that the new posts will achieve at least savings three times their cost.

The effectiveness of the section is measured by the performance indicators detailed below. These indicators form part of the Treasury and Resources performance plan and are reported on quarterly. Due to the relatively new structure and remit of the section some of the indicators have yet to be reported on.

Indicator	
1.	Achievement of actual savings against target within the required timescale
2.	Cost of corporate procurement as % of total States non-staff/non-benefits expenditure
3.	Estimated ongoing corporate procurement savings per annum as result of contracts agreed during year
4.	No of corporate procurement contracts/purchasing arrangements reviewed during year
5.	Actual corporate procurement spend committed against pre-established contract arrangements as a % of non-pay spend
6.	% of non-pay corporate procurement spend which is actively managed by procurement professionals