

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE CHIEF MINISTER
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QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 12th MAY 2025
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 19th MAY 2025**

Question

“In relation to the Cabinet Office, will the Chief Minister –

- (a) state the number of people currently employed in the Cabinet Office together with a breakdown of employees by grade; and
- (b) explain why the Cabinet Office budget has increased to £89 million despite the adoption of [P.8/2024-\(re-issue\)](#) which requested the Chief Minister to review the revenue expenditure of the Cabinet Office and ensure that expenditure savings are identified and included within the Government Plan 2025-2028?

Answer

- (a) The below table details the headcount and full time equivalent by grade within the Cabinet Office:

Grade	Headcount	FTE
Apprentice Grades	5	5.00
CS06	6	5.62
CS07	8	7.32
CS08	19	18.29
CS09	7	6.57
CS10	28	26.60
CS11	8	7.00
CS12	42	40.31
CS13	20	19.78
CS14	10	9.08
CS15	5	5.00
Personal Contract Holders	12	12.00
Grand Total	170	162.58

- (b) The current Government decided to invest an additional £10m in the First Step housing scheme in 2024 to help first-time buyers. There were also other transfers into the Cabinet Office Head of Expenditure during the year, such as the pay award for 2024. As a result, the net expenditure for the Cabinet Office (including Digital Services, People Services and Public Health) was £89m.

The Cabinet Office also delivered savings of £2.9m in 2024.

In addition, revenue savings of £1.7m have been identified for the Cabinet Office in 2025 (page 115 of the approved 2025 Budget) and the Department is currently forecast to exceed that savings target. There are also further planned savings of £1.3m in 2026.