

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR TREASURY AND RESOURCES
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 20th JANUARY 2015**

Question

Will the Minister, as shareholder representative, state what progress, if any, Andium Homes has made in developing the Andium Homes Standard for open and community space for housing developments in St. Helier and other urban areas? Is the Minister in a position to inform members what these standards are and when Andium will be in a position to set targets for the percentage of housing that meets those standards in the Strategic Business Plan 2014-2019? If not, when will the Minister be able to discuss these standards with elected representatives?

Answer

The Andium Homes (Estate) Standard is an initiative designed by the Company to complement their commitment to achieve 100% Decent Homes Standard compliance within 10 years and to support one of the Company's Key Objectives 'Great Homes & Places' as set out in its Strategic Business Plan 2014-2019. The Decent Homes Standard will concentrate on the structure and internal services of the home, while the Andium Homes (Estate) Standard will target improvement to external areas.

The Estate Standard is well developed and a client guide is available on the Company website, www.Andiumhomes.je

There have already been two formal visits to each estate and a third visit, designed to encourage greater client participation, is scheduled for February. Considerable information has already been gathered and has assisted in informing the Andium Homes 2015 Planned Maintenance Programme, which is also available on the Company's website.

Many Andium Homes clients have taken the opportunity to accompany their dedicated Andium Homes colleague during scheduled inspections. This has assisted in ensuring that scheduled works are focussed on client expectations.

In rising to the challenge of their ambitious programme of work, detailed in the Company's Strategic Business Plan, maintenance expenditure for 2015 is forecast to approach £12m. This compares with a 2010 annual expenditure of £8.5m.

In addition the Company's Capital Programme for 2015 will see further investment of £30m.

A revised Business Plan will be published in the coming months and this will contain the outset compliance percentage and onwards targets for the sustainable improvement of open and communal areas.