

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE CHIEF MINISTER  
BY DEPUTY M. TADIER OF ST. BRELADE  
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 22nd SEPTEMBER 2015**

**Question**

“Can the Chief Minister advise what services the Church of England offers to Islanders in return for their tax contributions and state what the total contribution by tax payers is, per annum, to the Church of England in Jersey, and what this works out to, on average, for every taxpayer in the Island?”

**Answer**

The Office of the Dean of Jersey is specified in the Public Finances (Jersey) Law 2005 as a non-Ministerial States funded body. The Office receives public funds, as detailed in the Medium Term Financial Plan.

The annual amount specified within the Medium Term Financial Plan 2013-2015 (as amended) is £26,000. The amount allocated for 2016 is £25,800.

The Dean of Jersey is a member of the States and speaks on behalf of all the churches and faith communities, especially on the ethical and moral dimension of issues that come before the Assembly. The Dean is Chaplain to the States and is responsible for services to mark the great occasions of Island life.

Contributions from rate payers would be a matter for the Comité des Connétables.