

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION AND LIFELONG LEARNING
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QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 9th JUNE 2025
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 16th JUNE 2025**

Question

“Further to [Written Question 221/2025](#), regarding the Victoria College energy, cleaning and grounds maintenance costs of £421,000 in 2024, will the Minister advise who negotiated these contracts and whether, at the time of negotiation, the Age Weighted Pupil Unit (AWPU) was adjusted to reflect any inflationary increases caused by the renegotiation of the contracts?”

Answer

Grounds maintenance contract negotiations (VCJ, VCP only, as initiated by the schools) and cleaning contract negotiations (all schools) were completed by the CYPES team using the standard Government purchasing framework and tender processes. This was supported by Commercial Services (T&E) to ensure the framework and supporting processes were applied appropriately.

Energy (electricity) contracts are subject to the normal JEC tariff increase.

The contract negotiations did not result in any adjustments to AWPU. However, the AWPU rates for each of these items are directly connected to pay inflation and consequently are increased by at least this percentage value.