

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR SOCIAL SECURITY
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QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 24th OCTOBER 2022
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 31st OCTOBER 2022**

Question

In respect of gluten free vouchers, will the Minister provide details of the following –

- (a) the date when they were first introduced;
- (b) at what value they were set;
- (c) how this value was decided; and
- (d) whether any consideration been given to increasing this value; and, if so, by how much and when?

Answer

- (a) The Gluten Free Voucher Scheme was established in 1990 following States Assembly approval of *Gluten-Free Foods: Financial Assistance* (P.155/1990).
- (b) £10 per week
- (c) An estimation of the amount of food containing wheat which might be consumed and the price difference between ordinary foods and special foods manufactured to exclude gluten
- (d) The value of these vouchers has since been increased to £14.00 per week. The scheme will be reviewed next year.