

**QUESTION TO BE ASKED OF THE PRESIDENT OF THE HOUSING COMMITTEE ON TUESDAY
2nd DECEMBER 2003, BY DEPUTY G.P. SOUTHERN OF ST. HELIER**

Question

On page 50 of the Budget 2004, the Committee outlines performance measures to be introduced in the coming year. These include –

the percentage spent on maintenance to planned repairs; and,

average cost of response repairs.

Will the President inform members whether the Committee has initial figures for these two measures and, if so, will he reveal them to members, and will he also advise whether the Committee has comparable figures for UK authorities?

Answer

The percentage of the maintenance budget, which is to be spent on planned maintenance equates to 73.02%, in financial terms; planned maintenance is allocated £2,976,700.00 of the £4,076,700.00 available.

The budget for response repairs for 2004 is £1,100,000.00; this equates to £4.53 per unit of accommodation per week.

The Department has recently completed a benchmarking exercise using performance indicators to measure its performance in a number of areas with either specific authorities with similar size stock or a broad cross section of U.K. social landlords. This data has identified-

that a UK Government Standard exists for the proportion of maintenance expenditure spent on planned maintenance in comparison to day to day or responsive repairs. This standard requires that the split in expenditure be a minimum of 70% on planned maintenance and 30% on day to day or responsive repairs; and,

the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister (ODPM) publishes a range of performance indicators for social housing, together with average results. The data published here indicates that, on average, each unit of social rented accommodation in the United Kingdom costs £12.00 per unit per week to maintain.