

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES  
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**ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 4th DECEMBER 2007**

**Question**

Would the Minister explain to Members how the MRI scanner is funded and what proportion of a scan's charge is devoted to consultant/staff/premises costs? How much profit has been made from the 8,332 private scans charged at £650 per scan and what proportion has been set aside to fund a replacement MRI scanner?

**Answer**

The new MRI scanner, which will become operational later this month, was purchased with funds made available from the States of Jersey Capital Programme.

The cost to the public purse of an MRI scan is £176.00, which is calculated thus -

consultant = £27  
other Staff = £58  
non staff consumables = £30  
premises / overheads = £61.

Over the past eight years, £1.6m has been generated from private scans. As with all private income, it is reinvested back into public health and social care.

Under the existing rules which govern how the States of Jersey's public capital is accounted for, there is no requirement – nor any accounting methodology - to use fees to accrue the resources necessary to replace the MRI scanner in future years.