WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES BY DEPUTY K.G. PAMPLIN OF ST. SAVIOUR ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 26th FEBRUARY 2019

Question

Further to the response to Written Question 87/2019, will the Minister provide a breakdown of the anticipated cost of maintenance works (whether essential, cosmetic or general upkeep) of all medical facilities (excluding the Jersey General Hospital), such as Orchard House and La Chasse?

Answer

Following on from the General Hospital 6 Facet Building Condition Survey referred to in the response to Written Question 87/2019, Health and Community Services is in the process of implementing a similar exercise that will provide a breakdown of the anticipated costs for general maintenance for the community sites, including Orchard House and La Chasse.

Maintenance staff supported by clinical staff have compiled a Priority 1 list of properties including inpatient, outpatient and accommodation facilities, which totals 65 premises across 24 specific buildings. The Priority 1 list of buildings has been drawn up, based upon their condition and the client group they serve.

The exercise is intended to take around 12 weeks and is funded from the annual Community Backlog Maintenance fund of £1.15m that Jersey Property Holdings regulates. This process will also consider improvement requirements that will need to be addressed for the new Regulation of Care Law for our community care homes and day services that came into effect on 1^{st} January 2019.

Once the authorising department has obtained and processed the raw data, we will be in a better position to answer the question in the detail required.

As with the General Hospital 6 Facet Survey, the community report will not include the capital costs of other vital building works particularly those associated with providing additional clinic or bed capacity that will be needed to meet the demand created by the increasingly ageing demographic on the Island. Nor will it include any additional costs such as service decant costs associated with enabling backlog maintenance projects to proceed. The costs will be current costs excluding the impact of inflation on any programmed works.