WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE CHAIRMAN OF THE STATES EMPLOYMENT BOARD BY DEPUTY M.R. LE HEGARAT OF ST. HELIER ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 16th JULY 2019

Question

Will the Chairman state how many staff have been employed since October 2017 by the States of Jersey on an interim basis – as a consultant or on a fixed-term or similar contract (i.e. intended to be temporary in nature) – for the purpose of delivering a specific project and, in respect of each such project, will he summarise –

- (a) the terms of reference or deliverables that were specified;
- (b) the length of the contract or term of employment that applied to the interim appointment;
- (c) the budget that was allocated;
- (d) whether salary payments were tied to successful completion of the terms of reference or specified deliverables; and
- (e) whether the project has been delivered and if so, whether it was delivered on time and within budget?

Answer

As the Chief Minister, I fully understand that Members have a strong interest in how government uses taxpayer's money in the areas of interims and consultants, especially as part of the transformation of government.

In response to recent States Questions, notably Deputy Pamplin on the 4 June 2019, and Deputy Le Hegarat on the 18 June 2019, we have committed to return with extensive reports with clearly defined parameters. This work is ongoing, and following Deputy Morel's proposition on this area, which Minister are accepting, it is being rolled together with a view to providing much more extensive reporting, with the first report now due in October. This will answer the question in full.

In the meantime, the full information requested is not available, in light of the time required to compile and verify the data.