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WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR TREASURY AND RESROUCES BY DEPUTY J.M. MAÇON OF ST. SAVIOUR ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 22nd MARCH 2016

Question

Will the Minister outline the timetable for proposals to introduce an additional health tax to include -

- Green paper stage
- White paper stage
- Scrutiny review period
- Amendments post scrutiny review
- Lodging for debate
- Debate

Answer

In P.82/2012 Health and Social Services: A New Way Forward, the States Assembly approved the redesign of Jersey's health and social care services and requested the Council of Ministers to bring forward proposals for a sustainable funding mechanism for health and social care. Accordingly, growth funding has been allocated in the MTFPs 2013-2105 and 2016-2019.

The Council of Ministers will include their proposals for any additional charges within the MTFP Addition. In accordance with the Finance Law, this will be lodged on 30 June 2016, for a twelve week period before debate, giving States Members and Scrutiny sufficient time to consider the proposals in detail before they are debated at the end of September 2016. Provided proposals are approved, subsequent legislation will need to be brought to the Assembly, which will be subject to the normal process of review by Scrutiny.