WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION AND LIFELONG LEARNING BY DEPUTY D.J. WARR OF ST. HELIER SOUTH QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 19th MAY 2025 ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 27th MAY 2025

Question

"Will the Minister state the energy costs, cleaning costs, and grounds maintenance costs for Victoria College and Victoria College Preparatory School, and advise what percentage of these costs is funded centrally by his department?"

Answer

The table below shows the costs incurred by Victoria College and Victoria College Preparatory School in 2024.

2024 expenditure by type	Victoria College	Victoria College Preparatory School
	£	£
Energy	128,563	33,165
Cleaning	197,046	57,581
Grounds maintenance	79,396	40,499
Cleaning Staff Costs	15,999	12,535
Total	421,004	143,781

The government subsidy to these schools is based on the funding that a non-fee pay paying school would receive using a costing method called the Age Weighted Pupil Unit (AWPU). The College receives 47% of AWPU and the Preparatory School receives 22% of AWPU.

The formula is used to set the budget, headteachers have discretion on how to spend it. This ensures that school leaders, who have the best understanding of the context and requirements of their school, can make spending decisions that reflect their needs