

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR TREASURY AND RESOURCES
BY SENATOR J.L. PERCHARD**

ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY, 13th FEBRUARY 2007

Question

Will the Minister advise members of the name of every fund administered by the States of Jersey that is not recorded in the Annual Accounts giving, in each case, the balance in the fund together with the criteria, application procedures and mechanisms in place for the use of the fund.

Answer

The States administer a number of funds which permit expenditure outside of approved cash limits in the Annual Business Plan. These fall into a number of categories:

- Separately constituted funds – these are detailed in the States’ Annual Accounts;
- Funds not reported in the States’ Annual Accounts but published elsewhere – these relate to the Social Security department and are published in the Social Security Annual Report and Accounts;
- Special funds – these are not reported in any published Accounts.

Further information on those funds not appearing in the States’ Annual Accounts is provided below. For the sake of completeness details are also given of funds which do appear in the States’ Annual Accounts but may not be easily identifiable as such. It should be noted that the accounting treatment and presentation for all funds will be reviewed as part of the project to move the States’ accounts towards GAAP compliance.

1. Included as expenditure in the States Annual Accounts

Safety Grants Fund – currently included in the Home Affairs Department’s budget but due to be transferred to the Transport and Technical Services Department. Projects are considered by the Safety Grants Panel. Criteria for consideration are –

- Beneficial to the community at large,
- For one-off items of expenditure only,
- For innovative ideas,
- Not restricted financially, subject to the balance in the fund,
- Island based,
- For anything which would significantly enhance community safety and for which there is no or insufficient public funding,
- Directly related to community safety.

The Panel has not met for some time. The balance on the fund at 31st December 2006 was £250,865. The existence of the fund is maintained through a ring-fenced carry forward of revenue budget.

Community Fund - to support Sport and Leisure Clubs and Associations on a £ for £ basis to develop facilities. Applications need to be supported by at least 2 tenders and the final decision is made by the ESC Minister. Balance at 31st December 2006 was £123,400.

2. Not included in the States Annual Accounts but published elsewhere

The use of these three funds is governed by Laws and subordinate regulations and Orders -

Social Security Fund – the means by which people insure themselves through the payment of contributions for periods when they are unable to work through ill-health, maternity or retirement. Net Assets at 31st December 2005 were £61 million.

Social Security Reserve Fund - this is the buffer fund contributing to the consequences of the ageing population and is the means by which contributions rates are smoothed over time. The balance as at 31st December 2005 was £499 million.

Health Insurance Fund - this levies contributions on earnings to subsidise GP visits and prescriptions for residents. The balance at 31st December 2005 was £44 million.

3. Not included in any published accounts

The States administer 154 “Special Funds”. The majority of these are the result of gifts or bequests. 43 funds are administered by Education Sport and Culture, 88 by Health and Social Services and 23 by the Treasury. As at 31st December 2005 balances on all funds totalled £34,679,577. However the six largest funds accounted for £30,211,209. Brief details of arrangements for the largest funds are given below. A full list of Special Funds, together with their balances as at 31st December 2005, is provided at the end of this written answer. Further details of smaller funds can be provided to States Members on request.

Rivington Travelling Scholarship - to facilitate any person, male or female, of any age, to visit such museums or art galleries out of the Island that would further his or her appreciation of art, crafts and/or history. Application is required to Education, Sport and Culture and approval is required from a panel which includes independent representatives. Balance at 31st December 2005 was £465,172.

Lord Portsea Gift Fund - to help all young Jersey and Guernsey boys (of Jersey and Guernsey parentage) entering the Royal Navy, Army, Air Force and Civil Services who need financial help. The income of the fund is administered by a delegation of eight persons. Application is required to Education, Sport and Culture and approval is required by a panel which includes Jurats and an Assistant Minister. Balance at 31st December 2005 was £334,415.

Sayers Bequest – a capital sum bequeathed under the Will of the late Henry William Sayers in the following manner: by payments in the form of scholarships or by additions to existing scholarships to assist promising scholars to proceed to Universities in England, including Provincial Universities, such scholars to be boys born in Jersey and educated at Victoria College Jersey, particularly to assist boys whose parents are not in affluent circumstances. Grants are based on recommendations made to the Governing Body by Victoria College Headmaster following consultation with the College Executive Committee. Balance at 31st December 2005 was £162,226.

C.W.C Stevens - to give assistance either financially or in kind to boys and girls whether born in Jersey or having lived and been educated in Jersey for a minimum period of 10 years who have been accepted by and entered into any of the Colleges of the University of Oxford. There is automatic eligibility. Students who conform to requirements are identified by Education, Sport and Culture and notified to the Treasury. Balance at 31st December 2005 was £161,760.

Criminal Offences Confiscation Fund – the use of this Fund is prescribed in the Proceeds of Crime Law 1999. Funds may be used by the Minister for Treasury and Resources to promote or support measures that prevent or suppress criminal conduct. A steering group comprising the Attorney General, Treasurer of the States, Viscount and Deputy Greffier of the States assess applications to the Fund. Criteria for applications are prioritised as follows –

- payment of legal expenses incurred in asset-seizure cases;
- discharging international obligations;

- preventing criminal conduct;
- dealing with the consequences of criminal conduct;
- other requests.

The balance on the fund as at 31st December 2005 was £10,375,720.

Greville Bathe Fund – to provide monetary support to the sick and aged of the Island, and those who have served the Island. Fund administration is carried out by four Jurats. Applications are received, a sponsor is required. Balance as at 31st December 2005 was £9,389,398.

Drug Trafficking Confiscation Fund – The use of this Fund is prescribed in the Drugs Trafficking Offences (Jersey) Law 1988. Funds may be used by the Minister for Treasury and Resources for preventing and suppressing drugs trafficking or the misuse of controlled drugs. A steering group comprising Chief Officers from Treasury, Education, Probation, Health, Customs, Prison and Police assesses applications to the Fund. Criteria for applications to the steering group are that they should aim to reduce the misuse of illegal drugs in Jersey or assist in dealing with the consequences of drug misuse, be for non recurring expenditure which would not normally be included in departments’ operating budgets, not be for staff costs of more than 12 months and be supported by a Chief Officer. Bids which are in accordance with the Law but outside the above criteria - such as the States Building a Safer Society strategy which was a commitment to 5 years funding – are approved by the Minister for Treasury and Resources. The balance on the fund at 31st December 2005 was £3,642,520.

Ann Alice Rayner Fund – for the purchase of equipment for the General Hospital. Also provides support for needy people of the professional classes resident in Jersey. Treasury & Resources are responsible for investment of the fund. Fund is administered by four Jurats. Applications are received. Balance as at 31st December 2005 was £2,017, 960.

Le Don Le Faye – Annual income is distributed to the Rectors of the twelve parishes to help the sick and needy. The Treasurer has the authority to invest or make payments as directed by the Minister for Treasury and Resources. Balance as at 31st December 2005 was £790,457.

Ecology Fund – Designed to promote and protect the environment and wildlife of Jersey. Five trustees are appointed by the States. Investment responsibility lies with the Treasurer. Balance as at 31st December 2005 was £481,579.

Pilot Boat Reserve Fund – the fund pays boat pilots who dock boats visiting the island, and also provides money for the purchase of new boats, equipment, etc. The Economic Development Minister holds responsibility. Pilots are paid monthly from the fund, which collects the docking fees of boats visiting the Harbour. Balance as at 31st December 2005 was £100,318.

Estate E.J. Bailhache – according to the documentation available the validity of the will was contested and a settlement was agreed in March 1984 on the basis of 60 per cent of the estate being retained by the public of the Island; the consent order was made by an act of the Royal Court dated 25th January 1985. According to a Finance and Economics Committee act of 18th February 1985 the properties and monies were to be held for “the general welfare of persons elderly and/or blind or sick at the General Hospital”, these terms being in accordance with the will. All funds administered by Health and Social Services have a designated fund manager and authorised signatory. The fund manager decides the most appropriate use of funds in accordance with the donor’s wishes. Dependant on the amount expenditure must be approved by either the fund manager, the Chief Executive Officer or the Minister. The balance on the fund at 31st December 2005 was £2,587,822.

Estate – H.E. Le Seilleur – under a will dated 28th December 1988 Mr Le Seilleur, who died on 22nd October 1996, devised the reversionary interest in two properties to the States of Jersey and bequeathed the remainder of his immovable estate to the States of Jersey. In the will it states that; “the said States of Jersey shall consult my said executors of my movable estate upon the use of my properties with a particular view towards the use of such

properties for the benefit of aged, infirm and needy residents of the Island.” Responsibility for the estate was transferred to the Health and Social Services Committee by the States in June 1997. All funds administered by Health and Social Services have a designated fund manager and authorised signatory. The fund manager decides the most appropriate use of funds in accordance with the donor’s wishes. Dependant on the amount expenditure must be approved by either the fund manager, the Chief Executive Officer or the Minister. The balance on the fund at 31st December 2005 was £2,197,789.

Herbert Bidder Coppard – under a will dated 13th July 2000 Mr Coppard, who died on 20th September 2000, left one eleventh of the residue of his estate to; “The States of Jersey Public Health Committee for the specific benefit of patients at the General Hospital, St Helier Jersey.” All funds administered by Health and Social Services have a designated fund manager and authorised signatory. The fund manager decides the most appropriate use of funds in accordance with the donor’s wishes. Dependant on the amount expenditure must be approved by either the fund manager, the Chief Executive Officer or the Minister. The balance on the fund at 31st December 2005 was £253,944.

A.H. Ferguson Bequest – under a will dated 13th November 1980 Mr A H Ferguson, who died on 20th September 1982, left the residue of his estate “unto the Public Health Committee of the States of Jersey” stating; “and I desire them to apply the same for the benefit of the Intensive Care Unit at the Jersey General Hospital”. All funds administered by Health and Social Services have a designated fund manager and authorised signatory. The fund manager decides the most appropriate use of funds in accordance with the donor’s wishes. Dependant on the amount expenditure must be approved by either the fund manager, the Chief Executive Officer or the Minister. The balance on the fund at 31st December 2005 was £176,762.

Full listing of Special Funds

Administered by Education Sport and Culture

<u>Name of fund</u>	<u>Balance (£)</u>
Rivington Travelling Scholarship	465,172
Lord Portsea Gift Fund	334,415
Sayers Bequest	162,226
C. W. C. Stevens	161,760
P.D. Woods Bequest	57,837
Highlands College Donations	46,583
Rayner Training Scholarship Fund	42,003
Don Touzel	40,475
Denys Le Febvre Trust Fund	32,802
Social Science Research Centre	23,036
Pauvres Honteux	22,196
Wimble Scholarship Fund	21,775
Rayner Travelling Exhibition Fund	14,041
Rayner Junior Exhibition Fund	8,324
A. C. Le Rossignol Medical Scholarship	6,029
Rayner Exhibition Fund	4,739
E. W. Martindell Prize	4,194
Kenneth More Drama Prize	3,115
G. E. Croad Memorial Prize	2,770
Multicultural Development Trust	2,392
Dr H. C. Major's Science Prize	2,156
Huelin Public Speaking Prize	2,135
Diana Birch Reynardson Prize Fund	2,041
Girard de Quetteville Gold Medal Fund	1,593
St. Mannelier et St. Anastase	1,493
Richard Hutt Memorial Trust Fund	1,471
W. Richardson Memorial Award	1,349
Coll of Further Ed ~ Prize Fund	1,188
Arthur Hamptonne Barreau Mem Fund	1,085
Rosa Brasford Memorial Fund	980
Thomas Wood Prize	803
Dr. Clifford Mortlock Memorial Fund	723
Public Library Investments	617
Hudson Divinity Prize	609
Queens Silver Jubilee Activity Centre	584
Farnell Prize	363
Hubert Prize for Music	322
Lerrier Prize	104
Beaufils Prize	68
Mauger Memorial Prize	45
Vocal Music Support	32

Administered by Health and Social Services

<u>Name of fund</u>	<u>Balance (£)</u>
Estate E. J. Bailhache	2,587,822
Estate H E Le Seelleur	2,197,789
Hospital Gift Fund	316,990
Herbert Bidder Coppard	253,944
A.H. Ferguson Bequest	176,762
B. Skinner Travelling Fellowship	89,118
E K Robert Fund	76,520
Mrs C M H Crosthwaite Bequest	48,766
Westaway Fund - Ecoles Elementaires	40,606
Ronald George de la Mare	39,357
Mrs M. E. T. Warren	38,312
Overdale Hospital - Mrs M Collin	32,574
LMA International SA - Anaesthesia	30,100
Mrs M O'Meara	29,960
Le Geyt Services	27,343
St. Saviour Hospital Welfare Fund	24,584
Children's Benefit Fund	21,964
Nat West Client Account ~ patients	19,264
Estate Mrs G. W. Hill	14,750
Crematorium Memorial Fund	12,548
Private Patient Service Training	11,990
The Owl Fund	11,792
Estate I Cresson-Hunter	11,131
Denis Gilpin	10,355
Community Alarms	9,517
General Hospital Fund	9,202
The Hollies (ZJRS04)	8,383
Quality Awards	7,967
Sandybrook Residential Home (ZJRS02)	7,798
Training & Employment Fund for Q.C.	7,664
Worshipful Company of Cordwainers & Scholarship Fund	7,335
M. Seymour Fellowship	7,201
Grands Vaux	7,076
Legacy Don Chevalier	6,163
J Wilkinson - La Pref & O	5,524
Aviomore	4,618
Oakwell	3,412
Bone Density	3,297
The Limes	2,515
Secker House	2,506
Speech & Language Therapy	2,479

Occupational Therapy	2,470
CNT Client ALM	2,394
Nurses Amenity Fund	2,337
William Knott	2,290
Welcome Club	2,189
Heathfield	1,906
La Preference	1,739
William Knott Day Hospital	1,716
Wheel Chair Centre	1,607
Activities/Social/Leisure	1,453
Rheumatology	1,386
Hearing Resource Centre	1,176
Poplars Amenity Fund	1,018
Liaison MH Nurse Team	1,000
Blanche Pierre Nursery	964
Aubin Ward	949
Samares Ward	913
Mckinstry	803
Children's Toy Library	684
Organic Farm	638
Sandybrook (ZJON02)	633
Child & Family	578
Leoville Ward (ZJON03)	566
De St. George Bequest	531
Leoville Ward (ZJRS03)	502
Beech Ward Amenity Fund	500
Sandybrook Day Centre	414
Secker House	381
Mckinstry	372
Adult Social Work	366
Limes	361
Samares	298
Childrens Exec Amenity Fund	252
Hollies (ZJON09)	214
Overdale Nurses Amenity Fund	142
Psychology	103
La Chasse	99
Maison Du Lac	96
Community Stoke Team	82
Tevielka	67
Neways	24
Community Network	16
Health Promotion	13
Estate Mrs I. E. A. Warne	11
Willow House	6

Administered by the Treasury

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Criminal Offences Confiscation Fund	10,375,720
Greville Bathe Fund	9,389,398
Drug Trafficking Confiscation Fund	3,642,520
Ann Alice Rayner Fund	2,017,960
Le Don de Faye	790,457
Ecology Fund	481,579
Pilot Boat Reserve Fund	100,318
T&TS - Florence Lady Trent Legacy	29,522
Jersey Asia Relief fund (<i>cleared and closed 2006</i>)	23,861
Estate E.B. Guinard - Suspense Account	15,766
H.M.S. Jersey - Welfare Fund	14,675
Jersey SBS Earthquake Appeal	12,385
Estate Mrs M. D. Hewitt	11,284
Dummy Lane Acquisition C.P.O.	7,943
Estate Miss B. Reid	7,223
Compulsory Purchase	5,078
Churchill Award for Courage	4,950
All Saints Church New Endowment Fund	3,575
Estate C. W. Mildren	3,304
Prison Board Life Line	1,985
Estate May Booker	1,203
Estate Mrs. P. Reed	269
Estate A Le Fessant	71