

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE CHIEF MINISTER BY SENATOR B.E. SHENTON
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 21st SEPTEMBER 2009**

Question

Would the Chief Minister give details of all standby payment arrangements that are in place for public employees setting out in each case the job title of the employee concerned and a brief description of his or her main duties, the employee's grade, details of the standby payment arrangements and the reasons for them, and the amount of the standby payment?

Answer

The spread sheet attached contains the information that Senator Shenton has requested.

It should be noted that standby cover is provided across the whole spectrum of States Departments and the services they provide including: emergency and therefore potentially life saving, medical treatment, facilitation of out of hours operation of the Airport to allow, for example, emergency ambulance charters, emergency coast guard provision, tactical fire arms and scenes of crime support, clearing flooded drains and clearing debris following road accidents.

Round the clock standby cover for the range of services that States Departments provide is a far more efficient option than providing 24 hour manning levels.

It should also be noted from the attachments that the total cost of standby in the public sector is approximately £1.33m which represents approximately 0.5% of the public sector pay bill.

SUMMARY OF DEPARTMENTAL STANDBY AGREEMENTS

The tables below are a summary of the information requested by Senator Shenton in his question 4709. The full information requested in question 4709 is contained in the Departmental returns which back up this summary and which are available on request. A copy of this additional information has been provided to Senator Shenton.

| DEPARTMENT | STANDBY AGREEMENT | ANNUAL TOTAL |
|----------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Airport | Duty Executive | £45,643 |
| | Engineering | £33,776 |
| | Electricians | £7,893 |
| | Rescue and Fire Fighting | £32,190 |
| | Operations | £14,602 |
| | Air Traffic Engineering | £18,362 |
| | Dept. of Electronics | £35,412 |
| | Total | £187,878 |

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| Chief Minister | IT Technical Support | £26,055 |
| | Total | £26,055 |

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| ESC | Leisure Centre Security | £17,445 |
| | Total | £17,445 |

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| Harbours | Duty Executive | £19,970 |
| | Marine Operations | £44,961 |
| | Marine Section | £52,120 |
| | Total | £117,051 |

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| Home Affairs (Police) | Firearms | £19,629 |
| | Senior Investigating Officer | £38,673 |
| | Special Branch | £15,560 |
| | SOCO | £27,470 |
| | Specific Operational Policing | £29,744 |
| | IT/IS Support | £30,493 |
| | Sub Total | £161,569 |
| Home Affairs (Prison) | Maintenance | £10,665 |
| | Healthcare | £10,650 |
| | Sub Total | £21,315 |
| Home Affairs (Fire) | Retained Fire Fighter | £15,108 |
| | Sub Total | £15,108 |
| Home Affairs (Cust. & Imm) | Duty Officer | £50,619 |
| | Sub Total | £50,619 |
| | Total | £248,611 |
| Housing | Duty Officer | £33,800 |
| | Total | £33,800 |

| DEPARTMENT | STANDBY AGREEMENT | ANNUAL TOTAL |
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| P&E | Notifiable Disease | £11,749 |
| | Total | £11,749 |

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| Property Holdings | Maintenance Cover | £33,678 |
| | Total | £33,678 |

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| Health & Social Services | Ambulance Emergency Cover | £127,556 |
| | Mortuary Cover | £18,500 |
| | Pharmacy | £41,000 |
| | Path Lab | £68,106 |
| | Childrens' Service | £45,000 |
| | Engineering | £10,119 |
| | Snior Nurse | £4,418 |
| | Mental Health | £58,708 |
| | Operating Theatres | £42,500 |
| | Total | £415,907 |

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| TTS | Duty Officer - Forestry | £1,090 |
| | Duty Officer - Emergency | £50,301 |
| | Duty Officer - M&E | £46,985 |
| | Duty Officer - Incinerator | £34,751 |
| | Drainage | £19,299 |
| | Electrical | £7,093 |
| | Forestry | £1,188 |
| | Mechanical Workshop | £11,512 |
| | Pumping Stations | £10,779 |
| | Sewage Treatment Works | £19,231 |
| | Emergency Tanker | £19,674 |
| | Housing Emergency | £7,295 |
| | Sub Total | £229,198 |
| | Fleet Maintenace | £12,017 |
| | Sub Total | £12,017 |
| | Total | £241,215 |

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| OVERALL TOTAL | | £1,333,389 |
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