

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE CHIEF MINISTER
BY THE DEPUTY OF ST. MARY
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 19th OCTOBER 2010**

Question

Would the Chief Minister confirm to members that he is in favour of open government, transparency and accountability, and, if so, would he now direct departments to provide details of organisational charts which outline not only the structure of each department, but the number of staff and the specific tasks they undertake, detailed within each chart?

Answer

I should like to refer the Deputy to my responses to his oral question 5622 on 13th September 2010; his written question 5548 on 19 July 2010; and to Deputy Le Claire's written question 5275 on 20th April 2010.

Departmental business plans currently provide a departmental organisation chart, numbers of staff employed and a description of the activities of each area within a department. (In the Health and Social Services 2010 plan employee numbers are not included but they are shown in the Annual States Business Plan Annex.)

The States Annual Business Plan Annex also provides information that shows a breakdown of each department's budget by service/budget area, the amount spent and the number of staff employed within that area.

Department Business Plans and the Annual Business Plan Annex are within the public domain on the States website and are available for all to see.