

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR TREASURY AND RESOURCES
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 20th APRIL 2010**

Question

“Can the Minister confirm that he has received detailed 2% savings targets from Ministers for the Comprehensive Spending Review for the year 2011 and will he inform members what these targets are, and if not when will he do so? Will he also agree to set these targets in the context of the overall 5% and 10% targets projected for 2012 and 2013 before lodging Part 1 of the Annual Business Plan in July?”

Answer

I can confirm that I have now received proposals from all Ministers detailing how they would save 2% of their gross budgets together with user pays initiatives, growth bids and invest to save schemes. The Council of Ministers will receive a summary of these proposals at its meeting on 22nd April 2010 and the information will then be circulated to relevant Scrutiny Panels, union representatives and staff briefed on 23rd April 2010. The Council of Ministers will consider these proposals in depth at two workshops arranged in May before making their final decision to be incorporated in the 2011 Business Plan to be lodged in July.

Departments will be submitting proposals for the 2012 and 2013 savings targets totalling 5% and 10% respectively by the end of August 2010 for consideration by the Council of Ministers in September/October this year.