WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR TREASURY AND RESOURCES BY THE DEPUTY OF ST. MARTIN ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 1st MARCH 2011

Question

"On 8th September 2008 the States approved P.91/2008 as amended to permit the withdrawal of up to an additional £7,500,000 from the consolidated fund as a Contingency sum to meet anticipated expenditure identified by various Departments in relation to the Historic Child Abuse Enquiry. Will the Minister provide details of -

- (a) the money spent by the identified Departments between November 2007 and 8th September 2008 and when and how the money was spent?
- (b) the money spent from 8th September 2008 to date by each of the identified Departments and when and how the money was spent?
- (c) The sum of money requested by each of the identified Departments which is unspent to date?
- (d) Whether the Upex Inquiry was funded from the Historic Abuse Fund, and if so, who gave consent and when was consent granted?
- (e) Whether the Wiltshire Police Inquiry was funded from the Historic Abuse Fund, and if so, who gave consent, and when was consent granted?"

Answer

(a) and (b)

The question correctly states that on the 8th September 2008, the States approved an additional allocation under Article 11(8) of the Public Finances Law. The Minister assumes that the Deputy wishes to extract the sums that were approved after the approval of additional monies in contrast to the amounts prior to the additional States' authorisation.

The difficulty the Treasury has in answering the precise questions in terms of dates is that accounting returns are completed internally on a quarterly basis. In order to answer parts (a) and (b) separately it would be necessary to look at each individual transaction. The Minister has provided the information as fully as possible to assist the Deputy in the time available.

The majority of this information has already been disclosed in public Ministerial Decisions. The answers also include funding reimbursed from the £4.25 million approved by the States in P83/2009.

Breakdown by Department

Home Affairs

Period		Total (£)			
			Travel		
		Forensic	Accommodation		
	Staff	Fees	and Expenses	Other	
up to 30th June 2008	1,559,000	343,000	423,000	254,000	2,579,000
1st July to 30th September 2008	397,000	263,000	390,000	18,000	1,068,000
1st October to 31st December 2008	622,000	-44,000	231,000	66,067	875,067
2009	1,582,705	7,610	556,712	158,488	2,305,515
2010	485,500	1,200	187,300	4,600	678,600
Total (£)	4,646,205	570,810	1,788,012	501,155	7,506,182

T&R (Property Holdings)

Period		Cate	egory			Total (£)	
		Security		General Building and			
	Staff costs	costs	YHA costs	Maintenance	Other	Less Income	
up to 30th June 2008		0	0	0	0	0	0
1st July to 30th September 2008	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
1st October to 31st December 2008	8,867	24,514	22,373	33,940	7,234	0	96,927
2009	18,243	1,188	0	10,311	6,584	-11,058	25,266
2010	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total (£)	27,109	25,701	22,373	44,251	13,817	-11,058	122,193

Law Officers' Department

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Period		Total (£)								
	External Jersey	UK Legal &	Witness							
	Advocates	other Advice	Costs							
up to 30th June 2008	165,786		0	165,786						
1st July to 30th September 2008	283,074	30,204		313,278						
1st October to 31st December 2008	440,770	6,619		447,389						
2009	1,021,274	49,598	48,210	1,119,082						
2010	348,348	11,753	8,016	368,117						
Total (£)	2,259,252	98,174	56,226	2,413,652						

Chief Minister's Department

Period		Category						
					Travel			
				Banner	and			
		Consultancy	Camera	displays and	Accommo			
	Comms Unit	plus expenses	equipment	artwork	dation	Miscellaneous		
up to 30th June 2008	0	45,409	398	660	582	369	47,417	
1st July to 30th September 2008	3,583	0	0	0	0	0	3,583	
1st October to 31st December 2008	32,087	0	0	0	0	0	32,087	
2009	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
2010	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Total (£)	35,670	45,409	398	660	582	369	83,087	

Economic Development Department

Period		Category							
	Production Fees	Surveys	TV Campaign	Mailings	Less funds from Tourism Development Fund				
up to 30th June 2008	20,080		1 6			210,000			
1st July to 30th September 2008	0	0	0	0	0	0			
1st October to 31st December 2008	0	0	0	0	0	0			
2009	0	0	0	0	0	0			
2010	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Total (£)	20,080	6,750	390,000	36,998	-243,828	210,000			

Education Sport and Culture (Jersey Heritage Trust)

Period	Category	Total (£)		
	Jersey Archive			
up to 30th June 2008	0	0		
1st July to 30th September 2008	0	0		
1st October to 31st December 2008	0	0		
2009	135,000	135,000		
2010	0	0		
Total (£)	135,000	135,000		

Health & Social Services

Period		Category							
			Psychology						
			Assessment	Costs					
	Staff costs and	Professor Upex	Team	Associated	Support for				
	Overtime	Inquiry	support	with Aviemore	Care Leavers	Other			
up to 30th June 2008	5,000	37,000	1,000	46,000	0	35,000	124,000		
1st July to 30th September 2008	1,000	0	13,000	0	0	15,000	29,000		
1st October to 31st December 2008	7,000	0	13,000	65,000	0	32,000	117,000		
2009	62,300	0	77,300	50,100	0	179,600	369,300		
2010	25,590	0	48,320	6,710	47,740	42,410	170,770		
Total (£)	100,890	37,000	152,620	167,810	47,740	304,010	810,070		

Summary

Period		Department							
		T&R							
	Home	(Property	Law	Chief					
	Affairs	Holdings)	Officers	Minister's	EDD	ESC	H&SS		
up to 30th June 2008	2,579,000	0	165,786	47,417	210,000	0	124,000	3,126,203	
1st July to 30th September 2008	1,068,000	0	313,278	3,583	0	0	29,000	1,413,861	
1st October to 31st December 2008	875,067	96,927	447,389	32,087	0	0	117,000	1,568,470	
2009	2,305,515	25,266	1,119,082	0	0	135,000	369,300	3,954,163	
2010	678,600	0	368,117	0	0	0	170,770	1,217,487	
Total (£)	7,506,182	122,193	2,413,652	83,087	210,000	135,000	810,070	11,280,184	

(c) Money was requested by Departments on a reimbursement basis, based upon actual expenditure incurred. Therefore no Departments are in possession of unspent funds to date. All reimbursement claims from this Article 11(8) funding for all departments were made following assurances from the departments concerned that appropriate controls were in place to ensure that accounting officer responsibilities were being discharged, and that financial directions were complied with in respect of the expenditure.

The Deputy will recall that the Minister signed decision number MD-TR-2011-0007 on 24th January 2011 to formally return the £346,416 unallocated balance of Article 11(8) funding for the Historic Child Abuse Enquiry to the consolidated fund. The only sum now remaining is £150,037 to meet anticipated costs of the Home Affairs Department relating to the Enquiry in 2011 and a small contingency of £26,000. This sum is currently held by the Treasury pending requests from Home Affairs for reimbursement, based on the usual assurances.

- (d) The Upex Inquiry was funded, at a cost of £37,000, from money reimbursed to the Health and Social Services Department in 2008 as that Department was designated as responsible for paying for the Inquiry. Based on assurances received, the Minister for Treasury and Resources gave consent for reimbursement of the expenditure on 18th August 2008.
- (e) The Wiltshire Report was not funded from money allocated to the Historic Child Abuse Enquiry by Article 11(8) approvals.