

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR TREASURY AND RESOURCES
BY DEPUTY M.R. HIGGINS OF ST. HELIER
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 1st NOVEMBER 2011**

Question

Would the Minister outline any hospitality given to himself, his Assistant Ministers and/or any of his senior officers by any firm (including any person involved in any way with such a firm) with whom the department has contracted with over the last three years or expects to contract with in the next two years?

Answer

The Code of Conduct for Ministers and the Human Resources Code of Conduct provide guidance for Ministers and Civil Servants about receiving gifts and hospitality.

In order to reflect this guidance the Department maintains a gifts and hospitality register in which entries are made of gifts and hospitality received by the Minister, his Assistant Ministers, or senior officers. This register is available for inspection on request by States Members and the Minister would be happy to arrange this for the Deputy.

In addition the Minister's calendar is open to access by senior officials and his diary commitments are discussed with those officers at weekly Ministerial meetings.

The Minister is confident these rules are followed correctly, that all hospitality was received in appropriate circumstances and that current arrangements are sufficiently robust.