

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR INFRASTRUCTURE
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 14TH JUNE 2016**

Question

Will the Minister detail for members what changes in service will result from the restructuring of waste services following his department's transformation project? What estimate has he made of budget savings which may arise from these proposals in total and in each year over the period of the 2016-19 MTFP and as a proportion of the total waste budget? Will the project involve any loss of FTE posts, and if so, what estimates does he have of how many posts may be lost and in what years? What consultations, if any, with employee representatives have taken place?

Answer

The department is currently undertaking a programme of service reviews in Waste Management, which will be concluded by Q2 2017. The department will not be able to confirm whether or not there will be any reduction in posts until the completion of the reviews.

The financial savings for Liquid and Solid Waste are anticipated to be £2,770,000 for MTFP 2, representing approximately 14.2% of the gross budget over the period.

2016 - £822,000

2017 - £608,000

2018 - £690,000

2019 - £650,000

Formal and informal consultation continues with the Unions and once the reviews are completed employee consultation will begin in 2016. Employees are regularly updated through an internal newsletter and are advised of the service review timescales and process.

This project is part of the work to reform every aspect of the public service to meet the changing demands of islanders. We are assessing which services are essential and how best to provide them. Some services will change, others will be delivered differently as we prioritise our spending and increase efficiency.

The MTFP Addition follows the direction set by the States Strategic Plan - to prioritise investment in health, education, economic growth and infrastructure and to balance our books by 2019 through savings, restructuring, economic growth and some charges.