

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE
MINISTER FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM, SPORT AND CULTURE
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 17th JANUARY 2017**

Question

Following the resignation of the Chief Officer of the Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Department, what provisions, if any, have been put in place to ensure that the Department is run effectively whilst the post remains vacant? What timescale, if any, exists for finding a full-time replacement for this post?

Answer

Members received confirmation of the Chief Officer's resignation via an internal communication on Tuesday 3rd January 2017.

As an interim measure the duties of the Chief Executive are being shared by the Deputy Chief Officer and the Assistant Director within the Department, with Accounting Officer responsibility temporarily being assumed by the States Chief Executive.

The Department will now complete its restructuring exercise during January/February, during which time an appointment will be made to lead the Department. I hope we are able to make that appointment from within the public service.