

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR THE ENVIRONMENT  
BY DEPUTY R.J. WARD OF ST. HELIER  
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 30th APRIL 2019**

**Question**

Will the Minister advise –

- (a) whether testing is undertaken for cases of glyphosate-poisoning in humans and animals;
- (b) if not, whether such testing was undertaken in the past and, if so, when the service was discontinued; and
- (c) if such a service was previously provided, whether there are any plans to reinstate it in the light of recent concerns regarding glyphosate?

**Answer**

- (a) The decision to test for glyphosate poisoning in humans and animals rests with medical and veterinary practitioners. If a practitioner suspected glyphosate poisoning they may want to have tests carried out. It is not known if individual practitioners undertake such tests. The Government of Jersey (GoJ) does not undertake testing for glyphosate in humans or animals and there is no laboratory in Jersey accredited to carry out such tests.
- (b) A glyphosate testing service has not been provided by the GoJ in the past, and it is not known if individual practitioners have undertaken such tests in the past.
- (c) There are no plans for the GoJ to provide such a glyphosate testing service. At the request of local practitioners, the GoJ is assisting to find a suitably accredited laboratory in the UK for practitioners to submit samples for testing where they deem it appropriate.