

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE
MINISTER FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT, TOURISM, SPORT AND CULTURE
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ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 22nd OCTOBER 2019**

Question

Further to the presentation of ‘Organisations receiving grants of over £75,000: 2018 Accounts’ (R.127/2019), will the Minister set out the reasons why the grant given to Serco (Jersey) Limited, which runs the Aquasplash swimming pool on behalf of the Government, increased by more than £75,000 from 2017 to total £468,220 in 2018?

Answer

The grant to Serco (Jersey) Limited is awarded by the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture in order to facilitate the operation of the Aquasplash pool on behalf of the Government.

At the end of 2017 there was an accounting error and Aquasplash did not receive one month of their grant. This was subsequently paid in 2018. Effectively, Serco were paid for 11 months in 2017 and 13 in 2018. As a result there appeared to be an increase of more than £75,000 in the grant between 2017 and 2018.

This was not, in fact, the case. The correct figures for the grant were £428,550 in 2017 and £432,305 in 2018.