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Office of the First Minister and deputy First Minister

Community Relations Work

Lord Browne asked the First Minister and deputy First Minister to outline the total expenditure by their Department on community relations work during this year to date.

(AQO 142/10)

First Minister and deputy First Minister (Mr P Robinson and Mr M McGuinness): We have invested £29m in good relations work in the current CSR period – to build a shared and better future.

Expenditure to date by the Department for 2009/10 on good relations work is £15.8m (which includes PEACE III monies).

This money is invested in sponsorship of the Community Relations Council, which delivers our grant funding through several strategic schemes to community and voluntary groups, funding of the District Councils Community Relations Programme, direct funding of groups by OFMDFM, summer interventions programme work and funding to minority ethnic groups.

We provide match funding to EU funding under the PEACE III Programme. As the Accountable Department for three Priorities within the Programme, we are strategically placed to ensure co-ordination of local activities at the local level.

Programme for Government's Child Poverty Targets

Mr F Cobain asked the First Minister and deputy First Minister to provide an update on the Programme for Government's child poverty targets.

(AQO 242/10)

First Minister and deputy First Minister: Since 1998 there has been a downward trend in the numbers of children living in relative income poverty here in Northern Ireland. However, over the most recent period for which statistics are available the figures have remained fairly static at around 24% in 2007/08, on a par with the rest of the UK.

We fully recognise that the targets we have set ourselves in respect of eradicating child poverty here are extremely challenging, particularly in light of the current economic downturn.

The Executive, however, remains totally committed to meeting this challenge by working across government to ensure long-term sustainable progress. Through the workings of the Executive Sub-Committee on Poverty and Social Inclusion, we have asked our officials to undertake work with colleagues from the other Northern Ireland Departments to progress priority actions that will benefit those groups, including children, who are currently in greatest objective need.

Within this process, officials will seek to ensure that current initiatives which contribute to tackling child poverty are properly targeted and effective and also look to identify further opportunities for cross-cutting actions.

The Northern Ireland provisions of the Child Poverty Act will also be a significant step towards focusing efforts within government to meet our challenging PfG commitments of eradicating child poverty by 2020.

The provisions of the Act specifically require us to produce and present to the Assembly, by 25 March 2011, a Child Poverty Strategy for Northern Ireland. There will be an ongoing requirement for strategies to be produced every three years and for annual reports to the Assembly.

Child Poverty

Mr D Hilditch asked the First Minister and deputy First Minister what progress has been made on eradication of child poverty by 2020 and what cross-departmental strategy has been devised to achieve this goal.

(AQO 586/10)

First Minister and deputy First Minister: The three statistical measures which have been used to assess child poverty here are firstly the relative income poverty measure; secondly the absolute income poverty measure; and a third measure which combines both low income and material deprivation. These three measures reflect slightly different aspects of poverty and together provide a more comprehensive picture than could be achieved using only one measure of child poverty.

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In terms of absolute income poverty, 29% of children were in poverty in 1998/99 with the most recent estimate for 2007/08 being 16%. However, as with relative income poverty over more recent years, the figures have remained fairly static.

The mixed income and material deprivation measure was first recorded in 2004/05. At that time it estimated 21% of children to be poor compared to 20% in 2007/08.

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Inter-Agency Joint Protocol on Flags

Dr S Farry asked the First Minister and deputy First Minister, pursuant to AQW 3615/10, to list the participants in the current review of the Inter-Agency Joint Protocol on Flags.

(AQW 4195/10)

First Minister and deputy First Minister: The working group set up to look at the current Flags Protocol and to review it has met on two occasions on 7th October and 23rd November 2009. The group does

not have a set membership and participants included OFMDFM, DRD, DSD, DOE, NIO, PSNI, Equality Commission, Community Relations Council, Housing Executive, BT, NIE, Queen's University Belfast, Ballymena and Larne Borough Councils.

Department Websites

Mr S Gardiner asked the First Minister and deputy First Minister how much has been spent by each Department and its associated arm's length agencies on maintaining their websites in each of the last three years; and if he has identified any scope for savings along similar lines to those proposed in other parts of the UK.

(AQW 8358/10)

First Minister and deputy First Minister: The consolidation of the Northern Ireland Civil Service (NICS) web presence, similar to the process taking place in Great Britain, is an important step in improving government's online communication and will lead to efficiencies. A number of existing government websites will be consolidated onto NI Direct, the main government site for citizens. In the last year, NI Direct has delivered 5.3 million page impressions and 1.6 million visitors demonstrating the value of having citizen-facing information in one location.

The consolidation of government websites will lead to a marked reduction in website numbers - from 90¹ to approximately 25 and eventually a saving in the resources required to manage government websites. The completion of the consolidation project will further enhance the position of NI Direct as the key government channel for online citizen information.

Below is a breakdown of the costs for each departmental website for the last three financial years.

	2009/2010	2008/2009	2007/2008
OFMDFM	£73,893.49	£81,086.20	£54,888.53
DARD	£128,609.00	£371,061.00	£236,408.00
DCAL	£284,201.00	£225,686.00	£194,673.00
DE	£5,000.00	£5,000.00	£5,000.00
DEL	£102,247.00	£117,918.00	£232,138.00
DETI	£626,420.68	£791,056.31	£628,679.65
DFP	2		
DHSSPS	3		
DOE	£191,024.10	£152,518.64	£93,949.75
DOJ	4		
DRD	£96,543.70	£65,091.43	£44,163.18
DSD	£388,504.00	£191,725.00	£140,007.00
Total	£1,896,442.97	£2,001,142.58	£1,629,907.11

- 1 This figure does not include arms length bodies'.
- 2 DFP response -It is not possible to provide a figure on the cost of maintaining all websites associated with the Department as figures for site maintenance are not held centrally and would attract a disproportionate cost to obtain
- 3 DHSSPS figure unavailable at this time
- 4 DOJ came into existence on the 12 April 2010 and therefore is unable to provide figures for the last three financial years.

Department of Agriculture and Rural Development

Contracts

Ms M Anderson asked the Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development to detail (i) all contracts in excess of (a) 12 months duration and; (b) £1 million entered into by her Department in each of the last ten years; (ii) any year on year over-runs in these contracts; (iii) whether there were break clauses attached to the contracts; and (iv) the number of break clauses that have been exercised.

(AQW 8340/10)

Minister of Agriculture and Rural Development (Ms M Gildernew): The Central Procurement Directorate acts as a Centre of Procurement Expertise on behalf of my Department.

The attached Annex A details those contracts of either £1m or more in value and more than 12 months in duration which CPD has procured on behalf of DARD since it was established on 1 April 2002.

Information on contracts awarded prior to 2002 could only be obtained in part and at disproportionate cost.

ANNEX A

TABLE 1

(i) contracts with a value exceeding £1m (excluding VAT) and a duration of more than 12 months				(ii) Any year-on-year overruns beyond minimum period (years)	(iii) Any break clauses attached to the contract	(iv) Break Clause has been exercised
Year Awarded	Funding Dept	CPD Reference	Title			
2003/04	DARD	0013B70403	Construction of Bacteriology Laboratory	No	No	No
2006/07	DARD	1685/06	Framework for Civil Engineering Consultancy & Related Professional Services (Rivers Agency)	No	Yes	No
2007/08	DARD	16031/07	DARD NI Fallen Animal Collection, Disposal and TSE Sampling	*	Yes	No
2008/09	DARD	0206130408	Redevelopment of Agri Food & Biosciences	No	No	No
2008/09	DARD	929/08	Rivers Agency Framework fo Minor Watercourse Maintenance	No	Yes	No

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Year Awarded	Funding Dept	CPD Reference	Title			
2009/10	DARD	project_214	DARD Fisheries Division Design and Build of Fisheries Protection Vessel	*	Yes	No
2009/10	DARD	project_258	DARD Manging Agent for Administration & Delivery of Axis 1 Measures of the NIRDP	*	Yes	No
2005/06	DARD	13758/04	DARD LMC Certification Services	*	Yes	No
2005/06	DARD	14257/05	DARD managing agent for dard research vessel-corystes	*	Yes	No
2007/08	DARD	14301/05	dard-afbi-library services	*	Yes	No
2006/07	DARD	14666/06	dard provision of facilities services for cafe at 3 colleges	*	Yes	No
2008/09	DARD	15459/06	dard extension to aphis	*	Yes	No

Department of Education

Common Funding Formula

Mr J Craig asked the Minister of Education when the terms of reference for the review of the Common Funding Formula will be published.

(AQW 5714/10)

Minister of Education (Ms C Ruane): This will be a wide reaching exercise which cover all aspects of schools funding including the Common Funding Formula and other sources of funding provided by the ELBs to schools. My objectives for this review are to ensure that: more funding is invested in Early Years and in Primary schools; as much funding as possible goes directly to the classroom; funding

genuinely targets Social Need to counter the disadvantages that many children face because of where they live; and post primary schools are funded consistent with progress towards full implementation of the Entitlement Framework. I want to ensure that the outcomes from the Education budget are maximised consistent with the implementation of my priorities for Education and that will be a central tenet of the Review. In taking forward this review I want to ensure that there is full engagement with a wide range of stakeholders, including teachers unions. I hope to be able to confirm full details of the review including the Terms of Reference shortly.

Post-Primary Schools with the Highest Results

Mr A Ross asked the Minister of Education to list the 20 post-primary schools with (i) the highest GSCE results; and (ii) the highest A Level results in each of the last five years.

(AQW 7367/10)

Minister of Education: Tá eolas ar iarbhunskoileanna ar fáil ar láithreán gréasáin na Roinne Oideachais ag www.denidata.nics.gov.uk/appinstitutes/instmain.aspx.

Léirítear eolas ar scrúduithe ag leibhéal scoile aonair i dteannta le sonraí comhthéacsúla lena n-áirítear teidlíocht saorbhéilí scoile agus líon na ndaltaí i ngach cohórt.

Information on post primary schools is available on the Department of Education website at www.denidata.nics.gov.uk/appinstitutes/instmain.aspx.

Examination information is presented at individual school level along with contextual data including free school meal entitlement and number of pupils in each cohort.

Appeals for Admission into Post-Primary Schools

Mr D Bradley asked the Minister of Education how many appeals for admission into post-primary schools have been made this year, broken down by Education and Library Board area and by named school.

(AQW 7433/10)

Minister of Education: Chuir na Boird Oideachais agus Leabharlainne in iúl gur mar atá mionsonraithe sa tábla thíos atá líon na n-achomharc ar iontráil go h-iarbhunskoileanna a rinneadh i mbliana. I gcásanna ina bhfuil * curtha in áit an fhigiúir, seasann sé do níos lú ná cúig chás.

The Education and Library Boards have advised that the number of appeals for admission into post-primary schools that have been made this year, are as detailed in the tables below. Where a figure has been substituted with * it denotes fewer than five cases.

BELFAST EDUCATION AND LIBRARY BOARD

School Name	Number of Appeals
Aquinas Grammar School	*
Ashfield Boys School	*
Ashfield Girls School	*
Belfast Royal Academy	*
Bloomfield Collegiate	5
De La Salle School	*
Dominican College	*
Grosvenor Grammar School	*
Hazelwood Integrated School	*

School Name	Number of Appeals
Hunterhouse College	*
Methodist College	*
Rathmore Grammar School	*
RBAI	*
St Dominic's College	*
St Malachy's College	*
St Mary's Christian Brothers' Grammar School	*
Strathearn Grammar School	*
Victoria College	8
Wellington College	*
Total Appeals	61

WESTERN EDUCATION AND LIBRARY BOARD

School Name	Number of Appeals
Christian Brothers' Grammar School, Omagh	*
Collegiate Grammar School, Enniskillen	*
Drumragh Integrated College	14
Foyle and Londonderry College	*
Lumen Christi College	*
Mount Lourdes Grammar School	6
Oakgrove Integrated College	*
St Cecilia's College	13
St Columb's Grammar School	*
St Joseph's Boys' School	*
St Mary's College, Derry	14
St Michael's College	5
Strabane Grammar School	*
Thornhill College	*
Total Appeals	72

NORTH-EASTERN EDUCATION AND LIBRARY BOARD

School Name	Number of Appeals
Ballymena Academy	*
Ballyclare High School	*
Ballyclare Secondary School	*

School Name	Number of Appeals
Cambridge House Grammar	*
Carrickfergus Grammar School	*
Coleraine Academical Institution	6
Coleraine High School	6
Dalriada School	*
Dominican College, Portstewart	*
Dunclug College	6
Larne Grammar School	*
Loreto College	*
Rainey Endowed School	*
Slemish Integrated College	13
Sperrin Integrated College	*
St Louis Grammar School	*
St Patrick's College, Maghera	*
St Paul's College, Kilrea	11
Ulidia Integrated College	*
Total Appeals	75

SOUTH-EASTERN EDUCATION AND LIBRARY BOARD

SCHOOL NAME	Number of Appeals
Assumption Grammar School	5
Bangor Grammar School	*
Bangor Academy & Sixth Form College	12
Down High School	*
Friends' School	*
Glastry College	*
Glenlola Collegiate	*
Lagan College	9
Nendrum College	*
Our Lady & St Patrick's College	7
Regent House Grammar School	*
Saintfield High School	*
Shimna Integrated College	*
St Columbanus' College	5

SCHOOL NAME	Number of Appeals
St Patrick's Grammar School	9
Strangford Integrated College	*
Sullivan Upper School	*
Wallace High School	*
Total Appeals	77

SOUTHERN EDUCATION AND LIBRARY BOARD

SCHOOL NAME	Number of Appeals
Abbey Christian Brothers' Grammar School	5
Banbridge Academy	6
Markethill High School	*
New-Bridge Integrated College	6
Our Lady's Grammar School	5
Royal School, Armagh	5
Royal School, Dungannon	*
Sacred Heart Grammar School	*
St Catherine's College, Armagh	*
St Ciaran's College	7
St Colman's College	11
St Joseph's Grammar School, Donaghmore	6
St Louis' Grammar School	*
St Patrick's Academy, Dungannon	8
St Patrick's Grammar School, Armagh	10
St Paul's High School, Bessbrook	23
Total Appeals	107

Capital Expenditure

Mr T Elliott asked the Minister of Education to outline the amount of capital expenditure in each of the schools which have had a development proposal approved since January 2007; and the number of pupils in each of these schools.

(AQW 7435/10)

Minister of Education: Tá eolas cuimsithe sa tábla thíos ar chaiteachas caipitil sna blianta airgeadais 2007/08 go 2009/10, agus ar líon na ndaltaí i ngach ceann de na scoileanna ar faomhadh a dtogra forbartha ó mhí Eanáir sa bhliain 2007.

Capital expenditure, in the financial years 2007/08 to 2009/10, and pupil numbers in each of the schools which have had a development proposal approved since January 2007 are contained in the table below.

School	Description of Proposal	Capital Spend (£000s)	Pupil Nos.
Armagh Integrated College	Closure with effect from 31 August 2009	0	61
Ballee Primary School	Closure Ballee Primary School with effect from 31 August 2010	5	40
Ballymoney Model Primary School	Acquisition of controlled integrated status with effect from 1 September 2009	184	253
Ballysally Primary School	Establish a Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 Learning Support Centre from September 2008	45	198
Balmoral High School	Closure with effect from 31 August 2008	36	58
Benburb Primary School	Closure with effect from 31 August 2009	-3	11
Blackwater Integrated College	A new Grant Maintained Integrated College with effect from 1 September 2008 (incorporate pupils from Down Academy C and the independent Rowallane Integrated College).	73	342
Blythefield Primary School, Belfast	To cease nursery education provision with effect from 31 August 2008	102	93
Bunscoil an tSleibhe Dhuibh	An Irish-medium Nursery Unit with effect from 1 September 2010	143	174
Bunscoil Uí Chléirigh	A new Irish-medium school with effect from 1 September 2008	0	Not opened yet
Castle High School	Closure with effect from 31 August 2009	23	62
Charley Memorial Primary School	Closure with effect from 31 August 2007	0	10
Christian Brothers' Primary School, Armagh	An Irish Medium Nursery Unit with effect from September 2009	16	361
Christian Brothers' Primary School, Armagh	A Key Stage 2 Learning Support Class with effect from 1 September 2008 - revised to 1 September 2009		
Cliftonville Primary School	To change from controlled to controlled integrated status with effect from 31 August 2008	1,037	186
Clogher Valley Integrated Primary School	New Grant Maintained Integrated Primary with effect from 1 September 2008	0	17
Collone Primary School, Armagh	Closure with effect from 31 August 2008	0	24
Conlig PS	Closure with effect from 1 September 2008	160	43

School	Description of Proposal	Capital Spend (£000s)	Pupil Nos.
Crumlin Primary School	Acquisition of controlled integrated status with effect from 1 September 2010	36	194
D H Christie Memorial Primary School	Establish a Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 Learning Support Centre from September 2008	384	394
Donaghadee High School	Closure with effect from 31 August 2009	741	126
Down Academy	Closure with effect from 1 September 2008	0	340
Dromore High School	A Sixth Form be established with effect from 1 September 2010	239	787
Drumaghlis Primary School, Crossgar	Change in the school's status from a Maintained to a Controlled Primary School with effect from 1 September 2007	0	36
Drumbo Primary School	Closure with effect from 31 August 2007	0	12
Fair Hill Primary School, Kinallen	A single nursery unit with effect from 1 September 2009	772	232
Fort Hill Primary School, Lisburn	Acquisition of controlled integrated status with effect from 1 September 2009	47	234
Gaelscoil an Damba	Closure of Gaelscoil an Damba with effect from 31 August 2008	3	29
Gaelscoil Eadain Mhoir	Irish medium nursery unit from 1 September 2009	451	148
Gaelscoil Eanna, Glengormley	A new Irish-medium primary school from the 1st September 2007 (Year 1 – 7 pupils, Year 2 – 16 pupils and Year 3 – 11 pupils)	0	34 (three classes)
Gaelscoil Ghleann Darach	A new Irish-medium primary school in Crumlin from the 1st September 2007 (Year 1 – 15 pupils, Year 2 – 13 pupils, Year 3 – 10 pupils, Year 4 – 3 pupils, Year 5 – 5 pupils, Year 6 – 7 pupils and Year 7 – 1 pupil)	0	54 (three classes)

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Gaelscoil Na Daroige	A new Irish Medium primary from 1 September 2007	0	39 (three classes)
Gaelscoil na Daroige	A new Irish Medium primary from 1 September 2009 (Year 1 – 15 pupils, Year 2 – 6 pupils, Year 3 – 4 pupils, Year 4 – 4 pupils and Year 5 – 10 pupils)		
Glasswater Primary School	Crossgar and Drumaghlis Primary Schools amalgamated to form a new controlled primary school with effect from 1 September 2007 on the current premises of Crossgar	123	78
Guinness Primary School	Closure with effect from 1 September 2008	0	18
Harpur's Hill Primary School	Establish a Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 Learning Support Centre from September 2008	58	197
Hilden Integrated Primary School	Closure with effect from 30 November 2008	0	36
Hillhall Primary School	Closure with effect from 31 August 2007	0	39
Holy Trinity Primary School	An Autistic Spectrum Disorder Unit be established within Key Stage 1 with effect from 1 September 2007	196	627
Hollywood Nursery School	From 52 part time pupils to 52 full time pupils - upon construction of new school October 2013	62	342
Kindle Primary School	Closure of Kindle with effect from 31 August 2008	0	32
King's Park Primary School	A single nursery unit to replace current reception class with effect from 1 September 2009	54	594
Lambeg Primary School	Closure with effect from 31 August 2007	4	23
Lisnagelvin Primary School	Learning Support Classes be established within Foundation Key Stage 1 and Key Stage 2 at Lisnagelvin Primary School with effect from 1 January 2008	4,245	525
Lisneal College	Learning Support Classes be established within Foundation Key Stage 3 and Key Stage 4 at Lisneal College with effect from 1 January 2008	5,290	893
Londonderry Model Primary School	An Autistic Spectrum Disorder Unit be established within Foundation Key Stage 1 with effect from 1 January 2008	118	344

School	Description of Proposal	Capital Spend (£000s)	Pupil Nos.
Maghera High School	Closure with effect from 31 August 2009	34	133
Millington Nursery School	A 3rd nursery unit with effect from 1 September 2010	25	52
Minterburn Primary School	Closure with effect from 31 August 2008	0	11
Moira Primary School	A single nursery unit with effect from 1 January 2008	268	386
Newtownbreda Primary School	Closure with effect from 31 August 2009	67	78
Omagh County Primary School	An Autistic Spectrum Disorder Unit be established within Key Stage 1m with effect from 1 January 2008	152	360
Parkhall College	Acquisition of controlled integrated status with effect from 1 September 2009	872	677
Primate Dixon Primary School	A Key Stage 2 Learning Support Class with effect from 1 September 2008 - revised to 1 September 2009	49	486
Rowandale Integrated PS	Grant Maintained Integrated Nursery Unit with effect from 1 September 2007	12	64
Shanmullagh Controlled Primary School	Closure Shanmullagh PS with effect from 31 August 2008	0	24
St Brigid's College, Carnhill	Closure Irish Medium Unit at St Brigids College, phased out with effect from 1 September 2008	276	722
St Brigid's Primary and Nursery School	Establishment of an Autistic Spectrum Disorder Unit with effect from 1 September 2007	132	304
St Colman's Primary School, Moira	Closure with effect from 31 March 2009	0	2
St Colmcille's Primary School Armagh	Closure with effect from 31 August 2009	9	15
St Columba's Primary School, Curley	Closure with effect from 31 August 2009	0	16
St Francis de Sales Special School	Closure with effect from 31 August 2008. See also DP No. 187 re Special Educational Needs unit	3	29
St Francis' Primary School, Lurgan	An additional nursery unit with effect from 1 September 2010	97	766
St Gabriel's College, Belfast	Closure with effect from 31 August 2008	127	93

School	Description of Proposal	Capital Spend (£000s)	Pupil Nos.
St John's PS, Glenn, Newry	Closure with effect from 31 August 2010	0	20
St Joseph's Boys High School, Newry	Two Learning Support Centres, from 1 September 2010	442	429
St Joseph's Grammar School, Donaghmore	To establish an Irish Medium Unit from 1 September 2010	326	527
St Killian's College	St MacNissi's College, Garron Tower ; St Aloysius' High School , & St Comgall's College to amalgamate to form a new co-educational 11-18 College with effect from 1 September 2008	0	Not opened yet
St Patrick's Primary School, Dungannon	Additional Full-Time nursery unit with effect from 1 September 2010	132	194
St Patrick's Primary School, Garvallah	Closure with effect from 31 August 2009	0	14
St Patrick's PS, Creggan	Closure with effect from 31 August 2010	0	12
St Paul's Primary School, Ahoghill	St Joseph's Primary School, Ahoghill and St Patrick's Primary School, Aughercloney amalgamate onto the St Joseph's Primary School site with effect from 1 September 2007	0	30
St Teresa's PS	New Special Educational Needs unit to open (replacing provision at St Frances de Sales Special School)	719	391
Suffolk Primary School, Belfast	Closure with effect from 31 August 2009	520	76
The Lindsay Hospital School, Belfast	Closure with effect from 31 August 2007 or as soon as possible thereafter	0	7
Trillick Controlled Primary School	Closure with effect from 31 August 2008	0	35
Tullymacarette Primary School	Closure with effect from 31 August 2007	0	14
Windmill Integrated Primary School, Dungannon	To transfer from part time to full time nursery status with effect from 1 September 2010	179	229

Capital Expenditure

Mr T Elliott asked the Minister of Education to detail the planned capital expenditure for the 2010/11 financial year.

(AQW 7439/10)

Minister of Education: Tá staid an-dúshlánach roimh mo Roinn i dtaca le hinfheistiú in eastát na scoileanna sa bhliain atá le teacht, mar tá glanbhuiséad caipitil de £169.3 milliún aici don bliain 2010/11.

My Department is faced with an incredibly challenging position in the coming year regarding investment in the schools estate, with a net capital budget of £169.3 million for 2010/11.

There are seven projects scheduled to open in 2010/11 which will result in a capital commitment of £101m. In addition, a range of major conventional capital projects, with a projected total capital spend of £20.7 million in 2010/11, are currently under construction.

The remainder of the budget will be balanced across a number of other areas covered from the Education capital budget such as investment in transport, ICT projects, youth and early years as well as minor works in an estate of over 1200 schools.

I recently met with the Finance Minister to outline the serious nature of the funding position and have requested additional funding from the Executive to enable the school building programme to continue. We will, however, continue to invest all available resources in maintaining the fabric of the schools estate addressing priority improvement works.

Capital and Recurrent Costs

Mr T Elliott asked the Minister of Education to outline the (i) capital; and (ii) recurrent costs attached to each school that has had a development proposal approved since January 2007.

(AQW 7440/10)

Minister of Education:

(i) Capital

Tugadh i mo fhreagra ar cheist an Tionóil AQW 7435/10 eolas ar chaiteachas caipitil, sna blianta airgeadais 2007/08 go 2009/10, i ngach ceann de na scoileanna ar faomhadh a dtogra forbartha ó mhí Eanáir sa bhliain 2007.

My answer to Assembly question number AQW 7435/10 provided information on capital expenditure, in the financial years 2007/08 to 2009/10, on each of the schools which have had a development proposal approved since January 2007.

(ii) Recurrent

In terms of recurrent costs associated with Development Proposals approved since January 2007, ten of the proposals relate to the current financial year 2010/11 - as these have not yet been established, there is no recurrent funding data available for them.

Where Development Proposals relate to school or Unit closure (32), there are no recurring costs for these. In the case of the establishment of new Unit provision (18) within a school - for example new nursery class, Irish-medium or Special Unit - the recurrent funding to reflect costs, cannot be disaggregated from the overall financial data of the host school.

For schools that amalgamate, the net costs of any amalgamation proposals (4) cannot readily be identified or could only be assessed at disproportionate cost.

Of the remaining Development Proposals during this period:

- 3 relate to new schools – which were not subsequently established;
- 8 related to either a change in status or a change in the pattern of enrolment (the specific costs of which cannot be readily identified, but are likely to be negligible); and
- 3 others relate to new (primary) schools established during the period as a result of approved Development Proposals. The associated recurrent funding, since the schools opened, is shown below:

School Name	Date school opened	Total Recurrent Funding to March 2010 (£k)
Gaelscoil Eanna, Glengormley	1 September 2007	348
Gaelscoil Ghleann Darach	1 September 2007	342
Gaelscoil na Daroige	1 September 2009	151

NB: Financial data included for 09/10 Financial Year is still provisional

Data Source: Education and Library Boards

Early Years Strategy

Mr A Ross asked the Minister of Education, in relation to her Department's Early Years Strategy, (i) how long it has taken to formulate the strategy; (ii) how many people have been working on the development of this strategy; and (iii) when it will be issued for public consultation.

(AQW 7674/10)

Minister of Education: Chuir an Roinn Oideachais tús leis an phróiseas chun dréachtStraitéis na Luathbhlianta (0-6) a fhorbairt go mall sa bhliain 2006.

The Department of Education commenced the process of developing the draft Early Years (0-6) Strategy in late 2006.

The Department appointed an external specialist as Regional Co-ordinator, to take forward consideration and preparation of the draft Early Years (0-6) Strategy, early in 2007. This was a fixed term appointment and ended in August 2009. The number of administrative staff involved has varied during the development of the draft Strategy.

I launched the draft Early Years (0-6) Strategy for public consultation on 25 June 2010.

Irish-medium Sector

Mr G Campbell asked the Minister of Education to detail the number of children being educated in the Irish-medium sector and the associated costs in the 2010/11 financial year.

(AQW 7706/10)

Minister of Education: Sa bhliain airgeadais 2010-11, bhí 2,788 dalta rollaithe i nGaelscoileanna agus bhí 795 dalta eile rollaithe in aonaid Ghaeilge a bhí ceangailte le hóstascoileanna Béarla, ag leibhéal bunskoile agus ag leibhéal iar-bhunscoile araon.

In the 2010-11 financial year, at both primary and post-primary level, there are 2,788 pupils enrolled in Irish-medium schools and a further 795 pupils enrolled in Irish-medium units attached to English-medium host schools.

All schools receive a delegated budget under the Common Funding Formula arrangements. Schools of similar size and characteristics receive similar levels of funding and the funding provided to schools in the Irish-medium sector are similar to equivalent schools in the English-medium sector.

The actual costs associated with educating children in the Irish-medium sector in 2010-11 will not be known until after the financial year closes. However, the total of the delegated budgets allocated to Irish-medium schools in 2010-11, under the Common Funding Formula arrangements, was £10,147k.

Information in relation to the budget share for pupils in Irish-medium Units, attached to English-medium host schools, cannot be provided as it is not possible to disaggregate the funding of the Unit from the host school.

Development Proposals

Mr J McCallister asked the Minister of Education to detail the number of development proposals (i) approved in 2010; and (ii) currently awaiting a decision in the (a) controlled ; (b) maintained; (c) integrated; and (d) Irish-medium sectors; and (iii) to list the name of each school awaiting maintenance work at the highest priority level; and if any of these schools are in breach of health and safety regulations.

(AQW 7758/10)

Minister of Education: Tá 11 Togra Forbartha ann a faomhadh ó mhí Eanáir 2010. Tá 17 eile acu ann atá ag feitheamh ar chinneadh, agus seo mar a mhiondealaítear iad de réir earnála:

11 Development Proposals have been approved since January 2010 to date. There are 17 awaiting a decision, which are by sector:

Controlled	Maintained	Integrated	Irish-medium
4	6	0	7

Appointment of Councillors to the Interim Education and Library Boards

Mr B McCrea asked the Minister of Education to outline the reasons for the delay in the appointment of councillors to the Interim Education and Library Boards.

(AQW 7967/10)

Minister of Education: Chuaigh an Roinn i gcomhairle le Coimisinéir na gCeapachán Poiblí i dtaobh an phróisis roghnúcháin atá le húsáid i gcás ceapachán chuig na Boird Oideachais agus Leabharlainne.

The Department consulted with the Commissioner for Public Appointments on the selection process to be used for appointments to the Education and Library Boards. The process involves several stages including: Councils are invited to put forward nominations; nominated councillors to complete application forms describing how they meet certain relevant criteria for appointment; an eligibility sift is undertaken on the applications; and 'conversations with a purpose' held with eligible candidates to confirm and validate the suitability of candidates for the posts. The timescale for appointments is therefore dependent upon the completion of all the necessary stages with the Councils and councillors involved. The process is continuing and appointments will be made at the earliest possible date.

Community Relations Programmes

Ms A Lo asked the Minister of Education what plans her Department has to provide community relations programmes in schools before her Community Relations, Equality and Diversity Strategy is implemented.

(AQW 7995/10)

Minister of Education:

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To facilitate this I am investing over £200 million for Special Educational Needs, £8m for Supporting Newcomer Pupils, £1.5m for the Curriculum Sports Programme delivered by the GAA and IFA and £28m for youth services to contribute to the wider approach to improving relations between communities by educating children and young people to develop self-respect and respect for others. An additional £90 has also been made available per primary pupil, which is an increase of 3.1% compared to last year.

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- (iii) To ensure that community relations work and its implementation within schools is fully sustainable, I am seeking to firmly embed this work within educational settings through the provision of a strong skills base for educators and the teaching resources required, and to redress the dependency upon external organisations which was identified as a weakness within the current community relations policy. Capacity-building is a key aspect to achieving this objective, and consequently is reflected in the CRED policy. The Department of Education is working closely with the Education and Library Boards and the Youth Council in order to draw up plans for the implementation of the policy.
- (iv) Courses of initial teacher education (ITE) focus on developing and inspiring highly competent reflective teaching professionals with a sense of moral purpose and a commitment to the holistic development of their pupils and the betterment of society in general.

Currently, community relations training is addressed primarily through each University College's Diversity and Mutual Understanding programme, which forms an integral and significant element of all ITE courses in both St Mary's and Stranmillis University Colleges. As a mandatory component, community relations issues and preparation are dealt with in a large number of contexts ranging from philosophical concepts within Education Studies, through curriculum implementation aspects in a variety of Curriculum Studies and Education Studies courses, to very practical issues within school-based work. Outside the modular degree structure there is a full course programme of events, jointly planned and organised between both Colleges, which focus on professional issues in this area. There are also many examples of optional experiences in this field undertaken by various groups of students within the Colleges and in collaboration with other partner institutions.

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- (v) Decisions have yet to be finalised on how the £1.1m will be allocated and my officials are currently in discussion with ELBs, the Youth Council and other relevant stakeholders to ensure maximum impact of this budget. This is expected to include support of posts which are critical to the implementation of the new policy as well as preparation work to ensure a smooth introduction.

Community Relations, Equality and Diversity Strategy

Ms A Lo asked the Minister of Education (i) when she expects to implement the Community Relations, Equality and Diversity Strategy; (ii) how much funding will be provided for the implementation of this strategy, and (iii) if she plans to use the expertise of the 26 core funding community relations organisations, whose budgets have been cut, to implement this strategy.

(AQW 7997/10)

Minister of Education:

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Community Relations Programmes

Ms A Lo asked the Minister of Education whether she has any plans to provide additional training for teachers who are to implement community relations programmes in schools.

(AQW 7998/10)

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Community Relations Programmes

Ms A Lo asked the Minister of Education if he will ensure that Stranmillis and St Mary's Teacher Training Colleges provide extra training on the delivery of community relations programmes in schools, following the decision of the Minister of Education to cut the funding of 26 core funding organisations who provided those programmes.

(AQW 7999/10)

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Funding for Community Relations

Ms A Lo asked the Minister of Education where the remaining £1.1 million of funding for community relations in schools is to be allocated.

(AQW 8000/10)

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- (v) Tá cinntí le deimhniú go fóill maidir leis an dóigh a leithdháilfear an £1.1 milliún agus tá mo chuid feidhmeannach i mbun plé leis na ELBanna, leis an Chomhairle Ógra agus le páirtithe eile leasmhara faoi láthair leis an tionchar is fearr a chinntiú don bhuiséad seo. Táthar ag súil leis go n-áireofar air seo tacaíocht do phoist atá ríthábhachtach do chur i bhfeidhm an pholasaí nua chomh maith le hobair ullmhúcháin lena chinntiú go dtabharfar an polasaí isteach go mín.
- (v) Decisions have yet to be finalised on how the £1.1m will be allocated and my officials are currently in discussion with ELBs, the Youth Council and other relevant stakeholders to ensure maximum impact of this budget. This is expected to include support of posts which are critical to the implementation of the new policy as well as preparation work to ensure a smooth introduction.

Suspended Teachers

Mr T Burns asked the Minister of Education to detail (i) the number of teachers who have been suspended on (a) full pay; and (b) part pay in each of the last five years; and (ii) the total of the (a)

salaries; (b) national insurance; and (c) pension contributions paid in respect of these employees during their period of suspension, broken down by Education and Library Board area.

(AQW 8047/10)

Minister of Education: Tá an t-eolas sa tábla thíos: -

Information provided in table below: -

	05/06		06/07		07/08		08/09		09/10	
	No	Costs £								
BELB	4	87,621.03	6	91,318.21	11	135,303.02	13	255,918.23	7	165,287.85
WELB	6	149,203.50	7	107,093.70	4	65,902.50	6	73,577.21	13	189,823.42
NEELB	7	47,913.97	2	33,035.31	3	47,122.89	1	39,151.42	5	31,788.69
SEELB	3	39,968.05	4	57,125.82	3	27,454.48	2	26,237.27	4	60,813.71
SELB	3	62,190.95	3	56,498.18	9	253,878.63	8	260,517.72	13	182,705.27

Appointment of New Members to the South Eastern Education and Library Board

Mr P Givan asked the Minister of Education what plans she has to appoint new members to the South Eastern Education and Library Board in place of the Commissioners appointed under Direct-Rule.

(AQW 8198/10)

Minister of Education: I am moving towards the establishment of the Education and Skills Authority and look forward to all parties supporting that change. I do not believe that Boards are the appropriate model for the efficient and effective delivery of education services.

Ag an phointe seo, níl sé beartaithe agam na Coimisinéirí a athrú ar Bhord Oideachais agus Leabharlainne an Oirdheiscirt nó ní bheadh sé ceart cur isteach ar an chóras ag an am seo agus muid ag iarraidh struchtúir agus próisis níos cuíchóirithe bheith ann.

At this point I have no plans to replace the Commissioners on the South Eastern Education and Library Board as it would be wrong to disrupt the system at this time when our focus must be on having more streamlined structures and processes.

Southern Education and Library Board

Mr G Savage asked the Minister of Education to provide a breakdown of the savings made by the Southern Education and Library Board in relation to administration and management in each of the last two years.

(AQW 8211/10)

Minister of Education: Níl fail ar an eolas san fhormaid a iarradh agus níorbh fhéidir é a chur ar fail ach ar chostas díréireach.

Information is not available in the format requested and could only be made available at disproportionate cost.

Senior Management Bonuses

Mr M McLaughlin asked the Minister of Education to detail the bonuses received by senior management in each Education and Library Board in the last ten years.

(AQW 8253/10)

Minister of Education: The Executive decided in September 2009 that senior public sector officials here should not be awarded bonuses in respect of the 2008/09 reporting year unless there is a clear contractual commitment to do so. DFP have further advised that where the bonuses (in the case of

the DE senior remits they relate to performance related pay) are found to be contractual it must be ascertained whether there is a contractual obligation to a specific amount or percentage.

The Department is conscious of the need to bring the pay remit process to a conclusion as soon as possible and are seeking to obtain clarity on the complex outstanding matters in order to satisfy pay policy requirements and ensure that staff can receive the pay to which they are entitled under that policy.

Tá córas pá i gcoibhneas le feidhmíocht i bhfeidhm don ardbhainistíocht sna Boird Oideachais agus Leabharlainne agus socraítear arduithe pá bunaithe ar fheidhmíocht, ar athluacháil agus ar dhul chun cinn tríd an scála pá.

The Education and Library Boards operate a performance related pay (PRP) system for their senior management and pay uplifts are determined as a result of performance; revalorisation and progression through the pay scale.

The Chief Executives of the ELBs have confirmed the payments awarded to senior management in the last ten years and these are outlined below.

With regard to 2009/10 financial year, the pay remits are still being considered by my Department in light of public sector pay policy.

BELB

	2000/01 (000s)	2002/02	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10
Chief Executive	0-5	5-10	10-15	5-10	-	0-5	-	5-10	5-10	-
Chief Finance Officer	0-5	0-5	5-10	0-5	0-5	0-5	5-10	5-10	5-10	-
Chief Administrative Officer	0-5	0-5	10-15	0-5	0-5	0-5	0-5	5-10	5-10	-
Senior Education Officer	0-5	0-5	10-15	0-5	0-5	0-5	-	-	0-5	-
Director RTU	0-5	0-5	5-10	0-5	0-5	0-5	0-5	0-5	0-5	-
Chief Librarian	0-5	0-5	10-15	0-5	0-5	0-5	-	-	0-5	-
Director PPP	-	-	-	-	-	-	0-5	0-5	-	-
Director of PQH	0-5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Chief Librarian	-	-	-	-	-	0-5	0-5	0-5	5-10	-
Senior Education Officer	-	-	-	-	-	0-5	0-5	0-5	5-10	-

NEELB

	2000/01 (000s)	2002/02	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10
Chief Executive	-	-	-	5-10	5-10	5-10	5-10	5-10	5-10	-
Senior Education Officer	-	-	-	0-5	0-5	0-5	0-5	5-10	5-10	-

	2000/01 (000s)	2002/02	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10
Chief Administrative Officer	-	-	-	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	5-10	5-10	-
Chief Finance Officer	-	-	-	0.5	0.5	0.5	5-10	5-10	0.5	-
Director of Corporate & Library Services	-	-	-	-	-	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	-
Chief Librarian	-	-	-	0.5	-	-	-	-	-	-

SEELB

	2000/01 (000s)	2002/02	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10
Chief Executive	0.5	-	-	0.5	-	-	-	-	0.5	-
Chief Finance Officer	0.5	-	-	0.5	-	-	-	-	0.5	-
Chief Legal Adviser	0.5	-	-	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	-
Chief Librarian	0.5	-	-	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	-
Chief Administrative Officer	0.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.5	-
Senior Education Officer 1	-	-	-	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	-
Senior Education Officer 2	0.5	-	-	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	-	0.5	-
ESAIT Finance (CFO Scale)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.5	0.5	-

SELB

	2000/01 (000s)	2002/02	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10
Chief Executive	0.5	-	-	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	-
Head of Corporate Services	0.5k	-	-	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	-
Chief Librarian	0.5	-	-	-	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	-	-
Chief Architect/ Head of Property Services	0.5	-	-	0.5	-	-	0.5	0.5	0.5	-
Head of Education Services	0.5	-	-	0.5	0.5	0.5	-	-	-	-

	2000/01 (000s)	2002/02	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10
Chief Administrative Officer	0.5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Head of Children & Young People Services	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.5	0.5	-
Inter Board Services Manager 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0.5	-
Inter Board Services Manager 2	-	-	-	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	-

WELB

	2000/01 (000s)	2002/02	2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10
Chief Executive	-	-	-	5-10	0.5	0.5	0.5	5-10	5-10	-
Chief Finance Officer	-	-	-	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	-
Director of Services – C2K	-	-	-	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	5-10	5-10	-
Central Support Manager	-	-	-	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	5-10	5-10	-
Chief Administrative Officer	-	-	-	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	5-10	5-10	-
Head of Libraries & Corporate Services	-	-	-	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.5	5-10	5-10	-
Head of Teaching, Learning, Curriculum & Youth Services	-	-	-	0.5	5-10	0.5	0.5	0.5	5-10	-

Education and Skills Authority

Mr P Givan asked the Minister of Education when the Education and Skills Authority will release funding to allow the Education and Library Boards to streamline their services and provide shared services to enable efficiency savings, thus protecting front-line services, such as, special needs provision.

(AQW 8310/10)

Minister of Education: Tá bunú an Údaráis um Oideachas agus Scileanna fós mar phríomhthosaíocht do mo Roinn agus creidim nach dtugann na Boird Oideachais agus Leabharlainne samhail oiriúnach le haghaidh soláthar éifeachtach agus éifeactúil na seirbhísí oideachais.

The creation of the Education and Skills Authority remains a key priority for my Department as I do not believe that the Education and Library Boards provide the appropriate model for the effective and efficient delivery of education services. I remain committed to the establishment of ESA and look forward to Executive support in the implementation of plans for its establishment. In the interim, the Education and Skills Authority Implementation Team (ESAIT) is working with the existing organisations

to develop and implement a Convergence Delivery Plan which will streamline management and administration across a range of services. This will lead to a reduction in posts and it is intended that affected staff will be released through Voluntary Severance, subject to the agreement of the Education and Library Boards and the Department. All expenditure in this area will be subject to the completion of a business case approval process. I am ready to bring forward the Education and Skills Authority and look forward to all parties supporting it, including the Member's own.

Department Underspend

Mr M Storey asked the Minister of Education if there has been any underspend in her Department, in this financial year to date.

(AQW 8322/10)

Minister of Education: Faoi láthair, tá an Roinn Oideachais ag súil le lánchaiteachas i gcoinne an bhuiséid sa bhliain airgeadais 2010-11. Déantar monatóireacht ghníomhach ar bhuiséid ar feadh na bliana le huas-úsáid na n-acmhainní atá ar fáil a chinntiú.

The Department of Education is currently anticipating full spend against budget during the 2010-11 financial year. Budgets are actively monitored throughout the year to ensure maximum use of available resources.

Contracts

Ms M Anderson asked the Minister of Education to list (i) all contracts in excess of (a) 12 months duration; and (b) £1 million in value entered into by her Department in the last ten years; (ii) any year on year over-runs in these contracts, in each of the last ten years; (iii) whether there are break clauses attached to the contracts; and (iv) the number of break clauses that have been exercised.

(AQW 8345/10)

Minister of Education: Níl an t-eolas a iarradh ar fáil go réidh agus ní fhéadfaí é a fháil ach ar chostas díréireach.

The information requested is not readily available and could only be obtained at disproportionate cost.

Middletown Autism Centre

Mr I McCrea asked the Minister of Education what residential accommodation or alternative arrangements have been offered to pupils at the Middletown Autism Centre since it became operational.

(AQW 8356/10)

Minister of Education: Ní thairgeann Ionad Uathachais Choillidh Chanannáin lóistín do dhaltaí scoile faoi láthair.

Middletown Centre for Autism does not currently offer any residential accommodation to school pupils.

Four key services are to be delivered by the Centre; a Training and Advisory Service, Autism Research and Information Service, Educational Assessment Service and a Learning Support Service. The Training and Advisory Service began in December 2007, closely followed by its Research and Information Service. It is planned that the remaining two services to be delivered by the Centre are to be phased in alongside the completion of the building project at the Centre. Residential facilities will only be offered when delivery of the two remaining services commences at the Centre. The North/South Ministerial Council joint communiqué in December 2009 stated that "the Ministers of Education and Science and the Minister for Education propose to prepare an updated phased multi-annual plan for the future development of the Centre, in conjunction with the Board and taking account of international best practice and the development of autism services on the island of Ireland since the Centre was established." In light of this announcement, the Centre has been developing its provision of advice and guidance to be delivered prior to the completion of the building project.

Advice and guidance is being offered by the Centre to children and young people, previously referred to the ASD Advisory Services in the north, who despite focused first level intervention continue to experience difficulties within their educational setting. The Centre's staff will further assess and identify the strengths and needs of children and young people referred to the Centre and make recommendations for the implementation of relevant strategies. This process will be carried out in partnership with families and the existing first level services.

Capital Expenditure

Mr T Elliott asked the Minister of Education how much capital expenditure her Department (i) allocated; and (ii) spent on average per primary level and secondary level pupil in the (a) controlled sector; (b) maintained sector; (c) integrated sector; and (d) Irish medium sector since May 2007. **(AQW 8376/10)**

Minister of Education: Níl an t-eolas a iarradh ar fáil san fhormaid a iarradh agus ní fhéadfaí é a chur ar fáil ach ar chostas díréireach.

The information sought is not available in the format requested and could only be provided at disproportionate cost.

However, information is available in respect of major capital works in the last three financial years, ie from April 2007 to March 2010, and is set out in the tables below.

PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Sector	Major Works Capital Spend 2007/08-2009/10 £s	Average Capital Spend Per Pupil 2007/08-2009/10 £s
Controlled	53,291,000	736
Maintained	20,499,000	284
Integrated	1,617,000	214
Irish Medium	124,000	64

POST-PRIMARY SCHOOLS

Sector	Major Works Capital Spend 2007/08-2009/10 £s	Average Capital Spend Per Pupil 2007/08-2009/10 £s
Controlled	100,397,000	2,117
Maintained	51,638,000	1,264
Integrated	11,969,000	1,032
Irish Medium	907,000	1,722

Other non-major capital work expenditure (eg for minor works, schools transport etc) by my Department in the last three financial years totals £357,807,000. It is not possible to disaggregate this figure as requested except at a disproportionate cost.

Staff Performance Bonuses

Mr J McCallister asked the Minister of Education to detail the amount and number of performance bonuses paid to staff in all organisations that administer education in (i) 2007/08; (ii) 2008/09; and (iii) 2009/10. **(AQW 8378/10)**

Minister of Education: As you may be aware the Executive decided in September 2009 that senior public sector officials here should not be awarded bonuses for performance in the 2008/09 reporting year (2009/10 financial year) unless there is a clear contractual commitment to do so. DFP have further advised that where the bonuses are found to be contractual it must be ascertained whether there is a contractual obligation to a specific amount or percentage.

The Department is conscious of the need to bring the pay remit process to a conclusion as soon as possible and are seeking to obtain clarity on the complex outstanding matters in order to satisfy pay policy requirements and ensure that staff can receive the pay to which they are entitled under that policy.

Foilsítear an luach saothair a fhaigheann feidhmeannaigh shinsearacha i mo Roinn de ghnáth i gCuntais Acmhainní na Roinne, a bhfuil fáil orthu ar láithreán gréasáin na Roinne. I dtaca leis na comhlachtaí éagsúla ar neamhchomaoin a riarann oideachas, tá córas pá i gcoibhneas le feidhmíocht i bhfeidhm don ardbhainistíocht sna Boird Oideachais agus Leabharlainne, i gComhairle na Scoileanna Caitliceacha faoi Chothabháil agus sa Chomhairle Curaclaim, Scrúdúcháin agus Measúnaithe agus socraítear arduithe pá bunaithe ar fheidhmíocht, ar athluacháil agus ar dhul chun cinn tríd an scála pá.

The remuneration of senior officials in my Department is routinely published in the Departmental Resource Accounts, which are available on the Department's website. With regard to the various arms length bodies that administer education, the Education and Library Boards; CCMS and CCEA operate performance related pay (PRP) systems for their senior management and pay uplifts are determined as a result of performance; revalorisation and progression through the pay scale.

The Chief Executives of these organisations have confirmed the payments awarded to senior management in the last three years and these are outlined below.

Organisation	2007/08		2008/09		2009/10	
	No.	Amount 000s	No.	Amount 000s	No.	Amount 000s
BELB	7	<50*	8	<65*	DE to approve	
NEELB	5	<45*	5	<40*	DE to approve	
SEELB	4	<20*	8	<40*	DE to approve	
SELB	6	<30*	6	<30*	DE to approve	
WELB	7	<65*	7	<55*	DE to approve	
CCMS	4	11	4	12	DE to approve	
Staff Commission	0	0	0	0	0	0
CCEA	53	201	53	184	DE to approve	

* The ELB performance bonuses are published in £5k bands

For the 2009/10 financial year senior pay remits for the Education & Library Boards; CCMS and CCEA are still being considered by my Department in light of public sector pay policy.

Education and Skills Authority

Dr S Farry asked the Minister of Education for an update on the establishment of the Education and Skills Authority.

(AQW 8386/10)

Minister of Education: Dhíreoinn aird an Chomhalta ar an fhreagra a thug mé dá chomhghleacaí páirtí Naomi Long (AQW 6227/10), a foilsíodh sa Tuairisc Oifigiúil ar 23 Aibreán 2010. Tá an staid reatha amhlaidh go fóill.

I refer the Member to the answer I gave to his party colleague Naomi Long (AQW 6227/10), published in the Official Report on 23 April 2010. This remains the current position.

South Eastern Education and Library Board

Mr J McCallister asked the Minister of Education to detail (i) the running costs of the South Eastern Education and Library Board in 2005/06 financial year, prior to the appointment of the Commissioners to the Board; and (ii) the running costs of the South Eastern Education and Library Board in (a) 2006/07; (b) 2007/08; (c) 2008/09; (d) 2009/10; and (e) 2010/11 financial year to date. **(AQW 8392/10)**

Minister of Education: Leagtar amach sa tábla thíos costais iomlána reatha Bhord Oideachais agus Leabharlainne an Oirdheiscirt do na blianta airgeadais 2005-06 go dtí 2009-10. Léiríonn na figiúirí seo caiteachas athfhillteach de réir mar atá leagtha amach i gCuntais Deiridh Iniúchta Bhord Oideachais agus Leabharlainne an Oirdheiscirt.

The total running costs of the South Eastern Education and Library Board for the financial years 2005-06 to 2009-10 are set out in the table below. These figures reflect recurrent expenditure as detailed in the Final Audited Accounts of the South Eastern Education and Library Board. Year to date figures for 2010-11, representing the first quarter of the financial year are not yet available.

SEELB RUNNING COSTS 2005-2010

	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10
	£,000s				
Schools	234,166	234,991	248,302	253,431	263,975
Youth	4,291	4,120	4,724	5,138	4,987
Total DE Recurrent Expenditure	238,457	239,111	253,026	258,569	268,962

Notes:

1. Data in respect of 2009-10 reflects unaudited figures.
2. Year to date figures (2010-11) representing the first quarter of the financial year are not yet available.
3. Figures shown exclude non-cash costs e.g.: depreciation on assets.

Middletown Autism Centre

Mr I McCrea asked the Minister of Education how much funding the Middletown Autism Centre has received in each of the last five years; and how many young people have attended the centre. **(AQW 8417/10)**

Minister of Education: Since its establishment in March 2007, the Middletown Centre for Autism has been allocated the following funding by my Department:

2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	2010/11
£210,282.23	£435,136.37	£641,642.50	£160,000.00 (To end of June 2010)

Tá Ionad Uathachais Choillidh Chanannáin á chómhaoiniú ar bhonn 50/50 ag an Roinn Oideachais agus ag an Roinn Oideachais agus Scileanna sa deisceart.

The Middletown Centre for Autism is funded jointly on a 50/50 basis by the Department of Education and the Department for Education and Skills in the south.

Four key services are to be delivered by the Centre; a Training and Advisory Service, a Research and Information Service, Educational Assessment Service and a Learning Support Service. The services proposed for the Centre are being phased in order to coincide with the completion of the building refurbishment programme.

The Training and Advisory Service began in December 2007, closely followed by its Research and Information Service. To date, training has been delivered to over 3,000 professionals and over 300 parents. A specialist programme of training for parents in the north commenced on 13 April 2010 and ran for five weeks in each of five locations.

The Centre's Research and Information Service has completed research bulletins covering issues such as diet and autism and also the subject of transitions for those on the Autism Spectrum. A further research bulletin in relation to educational assessment is to be published shortly.

The remaining two services to be delivered by the Centre are a Learning Support Service and an Educational Assessment Service. It was planned that these services would be commenced alongside the completion of the building project at the Centre.

The North/South Ministerial Council joint communiqué in December 2009 stated that "the Ministers of Education and Science and the Minister for Education propose to prepare an updated phased multi-annual plan for the future development of the Centre, in conjunction with the Board and taking account of international best practice and the development of autism services on the island of Ireland since the Centre was established." In light of this announcement, the Centre has been developing its provision of advice and guidance to be delivered prior to the completion of the building project.

Advice and guidance is being offered by the Centre to children and young people previously referred to the ASD Advisory Services in the north who despite focused first level intervention continue to experience difficulties within their educational setting. The Centre's staff will further assess and identify the strengths and needs of children and young people referred to the Centre and make recommendations for the implementation of relevant strategies. This process will be carried out in partnership with families and the existing first level services.

The provision of advice and guidance will provide trans-disciplinary assessments and support to schools and families in the implementation of a specialist education plan developed from a comprehensive learning support plan. The model of advice and guidance provision will operate on a rolling basis. Two young people, referred by the Interboard Autistic Spectrum Disorder Group, are currently receiving such advice and guidance from the Centre.

Education and Library Board: Subsidised Summer Schemes

Mr R McCartney asked the Minister of Education whether the Western Education and Library Board or any other Education and Library Board provides a subsidised summer scheme for its employees; and if so, to detail the level of subsidy provided.

(AQW 8440/10)

Minister of Education: I have been advised that the Western Education and Library Board, in partnership with the Housing Executive and Omagh District Council contribute to a summer scheme facilitated by NIPSA. The contribution from WELB for 2010-11 was £1800.

With regard to the rest of the Education and Library Boards I can confirm that none of them provide any subsidised summer schemes for their employees.

Department for Employment and Learning

Contracts

Ms M Anderson asked the Minister for Employment and Learning to list (i) all contracts in excess of (a) 12 months duration; and (b) £1 million in value entered into by his Department in the last ten years; (ii)

any year on year over-runs in these contracts, in each of the last ten years; (iii) whether there are break clauses attached to the contracts; and (iv) the number of break clauses that have been exercised.

(AQW 8423/10)

Minister for Employment and Learning (Sir Reg Empey): The attached table provides detail of contracts in excess of 12 months' duration and £1 million in value awarded by the Department for Employment and Learning during the last ten years, based on the records readily available from the period.

(i) all contracts in excess of (a) 12 months duration; AND (b) £1 million in value entered into by his Department in the last ten years	(ii) any year on year over-runs in these contracts, in each of the last ten years	(iii) whether there are break clauses attached to the contracts	(iv) the number of break clauses that have been exercised
Learning & Skills Development Agency 2003-05	N/A	N/A	N/A
Learning & Skills Development Agency 2005-07	N/A	N/A	N/A
Learning & Skills Development Agency 2008-09	Extended from Aug 2009 - July 2010	No break clause activated, however organisation was given 1 year notice of termination in May 2009	N/A
Workers' Educational Association 2007-08	N/A	N/A	N/A
Springvale Community Outreach Initiative 2003-07	N/A	N/A	N/A
Employment and Adapt Community Initiative Programme. 1994-99	N/A	Yes	N/A
EQUAL Community Initiative Programme. 2000-06	N/A	Yes	N/A
Workforce Training Services Ltd. 1996-2008	N/A	N/A	N/A
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Rapid Advancement Programme. 2002-04	N/A	Yes	N/A
Premiere Graduate Management Development Programme. 2004-06	Extended from Aug 03 – July 04	Yes	N/A
'INTRO' Entry-to-Management Programme 2009–11	N/A	Yes	N/A
New Deal for 18 to 24 year olds and New Deal 25+ programmes. 2003-08	2006 – 12 month extension 2007- 12 month extension 2008 - 6 month extension	Yes	1
New Deal for Lone Parents / New Deal for Partners. 2003-08	2006 – 12 month extension 2007- 12 month extension 2008 - 6 month extension	Yes	N/A
New Deal Self-Employment. 2003-08	2006 – 12 month extension 2007- 12 month extension 2008 - 6 month extension	Yes	N/A
New Deal Core Gateway. 2003-08	2006 – 12 month extension 2007- 12 month extension 2008 - 6 month extension	Yes	N/A

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New Deal for 18 to 24 year olds and New Deal 25+ programmes (Foyle). 2003-11	As above plus 2008 – 6 month extension 2009 - 12 month extension 2010 - 12 month extension	Yes	N/A
New Deal Core Gateway (Foyle). 2003-11	As above plus 2008 – 6 month extension 2009 - 12 month extension 2010 - 12 month extension	Yes	N/A
Steps to Work. 2008-11	N/A	Yes	N/A
Progress2Work. 2005-11	2007 – 12 month extension 2008 – 24 month extension 2010 – 12 month extension	Yes	N/A
Jobskills '99 – recontracted in 2003. 1999-2007	Extension of contract from 1 April – 2 September 2007	Yes	N/A
Training for Success 2007-11	Extension of contract from 1 April 2010 to 31 March 2011	Yes	3
DEL's IT line of Business Applications (LoBA) Contract with Fujitsu Services Ltd. 2009-12	N/A	Yes	N/A
Worktrack 2003	N/K	Yes	N/A

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Work Preparation Programme 2008-11	N/A	Yes	N/A
Employment Support Programme 2004-06	N/A	No	N/A
Employment Support Programme 2007-09	N/A	Yes	N/A
Transitional Employment Programme 2003-06	N/A	Yes	N/A
Job Assist Centres 2003-06	Extended to Apr 07	Yes	N/A
Job Assist Centres Derry 2003-06	Extended to Apr 07	Yes	N/A
Labour Market Intermediary Service 2004 -06	Extended to Mar 07	Yes	N/A
Local Intermediary Service (LEMIS) 2007-10	Single tender action for Apr 10 – Mar 11 (no extension possible)	Yes	N/A

Department of the Environment

Planning Applications

Mr B McElduff asked the Minister of the Environment what consideration his Department and the Planning Service give to economic factors, including job retention and job creation, when determining planning applications.

(AQW 8246/10)

Minister of the Environment (Mr E Poots): There are many material considerations that may be relevant in the determination of a planning application and these will vary depending on the specific circumstances of each case. Economic considerations including job retention, job creation and the wider benefits to the regional or local economy are material planning considerations. These are matters for my Department to consider as part of the assessment and determination of a planning application where relevant.

The weight to be attributed to such economic impacts is a matter for the decision maker based on the specifics of each case and must be balanced against other considerations.

Quarries

Ms D Purvis asked the Minister of the Environment how many (a) rock; (b) limestone; (c) shale; and (d) sand and gravel quarries there are in Northern Ireland; and (ii) to detail the training Planning Service staff receive to ensure they have the qualifications and experience to understand the technical differences between the quarries they inspect for compliance with planning consent.

(AQW 8269/10)

Minister of the Environment: The Planning Service does not hold information on the number of different mineral quarries there are in Northern Ireland. The Member may wish to refer her question to the DETI Minister or search the relevant DETI, Minerals Branch source on the attached link: <http://www.detini.gov.uk/deti-energy-index/minerals-and-petroleum/annual-mineral-statement.htm>.

Planning Service staff currently involved in processing mineral applications have either an academic and professional qualification in planning or a technical qualification in a related subject. Staff have access to specialist mineral planning guidance through the Royal Town Planning Institute or the Irish Planning Institute.

Specialist training in relation to quarry operations has been undertaken in conjunction with the Quarry Products Association for Northern Ireland.

Contracts

Ms M Anderson asked the Minister of the Environment to list (i) all contracts in excess of (a) 12 months duration; and (b) £1 million in value entered into by his Department in the last ten years; (ii) any year on year over-runs in these contracts, in each of the last ten years; (iii) whether there are break clauses attached to the contracts; and (iv) the number of break clauses that have been exercised.

(AQW 8421/10)

Minister of the Environment: Details of the contracts procured by Central Procurement Directorate (CPD) on behalf of my Department since CPD was established on 1 April 2002, and which are in excess £1m or more in value and more than 12 months in duration, are included in the table below. Information on contracts awarded prior to 2002 by CPD could only be obtained in part and at disproportionate cost. The table also includes contracts awarded directly by my Department without the involvement of CPD.

(i) Contracts in excess of 12 months duration and in excess of £1 million	(ii) Any year- on year over runs in contract	(iii) Any break clauses attached to the contract	(iv) Break clause has been exercised
Advertising services and associated activity to promote road safety in NI (3 contracts – awarded 1999/00, 2005/06 and 2010/11)	No	Yes	No
Road Safety Education Materials for Primary and post Primary Schools	No	Yes	No
Booking Services Contract	2	No	No
Northern Ireland Vehicle Licensing System (NIVIS)	2	Yes	No
Theory Test	No	Yes	No
MOT2	No	Yes	No
ePIC Project	No	Yes	No
All-Ireland Fridge Disposal Contract	No	Yes	No
arc21 Dry Material Recovery Facilities for arc21 waste	No	Yes	No
Management of Disposal of Fridges and Freezers	No	Yes	No
Biodiversity & Conservation Biology Research Services	No	Yes	No
Management of Computer network	No	Yes	No
Cross Border Waste Awareness Media Campaign	No	Yes	No
EHS Site Maintenance	No	Yes	No

Department of Finance and Personnel

Hospitality

Mr J Dallat asked the Minister of Finance and Personnel how much has been spent on hospitality by each Government Department and its agencies in each of the last three years.

(AQW 7722/10)

Minister of Finance and Personnel (Mr S Wilson): The table below sets out the total spent on hospitality by each department and its agencies in each of the last three years:

Department	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10
DARD	£55,931	£74,991	*£80,072
DCAL	£43,473	£64,452	£44,930
DE	£88,877	£74,495	£56,883
DEL	£35,455	£45,356	**£62,970
DETI	£17,026	£18,777	£19,868
DFP	£205,000	£209,000	£91,000
DHSSPS	£137,400	£196,700	£104,800
DoE	£124,238	£121,996	£102,009
DRD	£80,310	£55,695	£45,609
DSD***	£62,032	£129,483	£77,617
OFMDFM	£207,000	£238,000	£187,000
Total	£1,056,742	£1,228,945	£872,758

* Figures in respect of 2009/10 are provisional as resource accounts have not been finalised.

** It should be noted that expenditure in 2009-10 includes £10,382 that arose as a result of the resolution of disputed invoices for costs originating in 2007-08 (£3,122) and 2008-09 (£7,260).

*** The DSD figures include expenditure incurred by DSD in relation to services provided to DWP which is then recovered by DSD.

The Department of Justice came into existence on 12th April 2010. Details of payments on hospitality before that date are a matter for the previous department. Similar information to that requested is publically available in Hansard in relation to the Northern Ireland Office (House of Commons reference: 26 June 2009: Column 1207W).

Department of Health, Social Services and Public Safety

Medical Negligence Claims

Mr A Easton asked the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety what the cost was to his Department of medical negligence claims in each Health and Social Care Trust, in the last financial year.

(AQW 1096/10)

Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety (Mr M McGimpsey): The information requested has been set out in the table below.

COST OF MEDICAL NEGLIGENCE APRIL 2008-MARCH 2009

HSC Trust	No of Claims	Settlement	Third Party Legal Costs
Northern	102	£902,398	£927,381
Western	99	£1,275,000	£1,000,000

HSC Trust	No of Claims	Settlement	Third Party Legal Costs
South Eastern	86	£5,314,977	£821,146
Southern	69	£1,157,149	£408,791
Belfast	184	£5,988,844	£1,982,729
NI Ambulance	3	£nil	£505

The above figures represent 0.61% of all the HSC Trusts' total operating costs for 2008/2009.

The Settlement figures in the table are payments made to Claimants by the Trusts. The Third Party Legal Cost figures are legal costs incurred by, or on behalf of, the Claimant which were reimbursed by the HSC Trusts. This figure also includes certain legal costs associated with the Trust's defence of the case.

It should be noted that the costs associated with a claim may not be paid out in the same financial year in which the claim is received.

Legal Action taken against each Health and Social Care Trust

Mr G Robinson asked the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to detail (i) the number of legal actions, including those settled out of court, taken against each Health and Social Care Trust; (ii) the average time taken from commencement of the action to settlement; (iii) the cost of legal fees; and (iv) the total amount paid in settlements, in each of the last five years.

(AQW 1240/10)

Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety: The information requested is recorded below:

(i) the number of legal actions, including those settled out of court, taken against each Health and Social Care Trust:

NO. OF LEGAL ACTIONS (MEDICAL NEGLIGENCE)

Trust	Year				
	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09
Belfast HSC*	178	174	173	130	184
Northern HSC*	72	58	86	63	102
NI Ambulance HSC	2	1	1	3	3
South Eastern HSC*	98	79	77	71	86
Southern HSC*	54	51	45	47	69
Western HSC*	59	75	52	59	99

* These HSC Trusts became operational from 1 April 2007 by merging the existing trusts. The merged Trusts are now referred to as 'Legacy Trusts'.

- (i) **Belfast HSC Trust merged:** Belfast City Hospital, Green Park Health Care, Mater Hospital, North & West Belfast, Royal Group of Hospitals and Dental Hospital, South & East Belfast HSST's
- (ii) **Northern HSC Trust merged:** Causeway Homefirst Community, United Hospitals HSST's
- (iii) **South Eastern HSC Trust merged:** Down Lisburn, Ulster Community & Hospitals HSST's (iv)
- (iii) **Southern HSCT merged:** Armagh & Dungannon, Craigavon Area Hospital, Craigavon & Banbridge Community, Newry & Mourne HSST's

(v) **Western HSC Trust merged:** Altnagelvin Hospitals, Foyle, Sperrin Lakeland HSST.

No. of Legal Actions (Public Liability)**

Trust	Year			
	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09
Belfast HSC	13	17	17	21
Northern HSC	5	5	10	12
NI Ambulance HSC	0	2	0	3
South Eastern HSC	12	20	7	8
Southern HSC	2	8	2	0
Western HSC	14	22	16	3

** Figures pre 2005 are not available

(ii) the average time taken from commencement of the action to settlement:

The information requested is not available as it could only be provided at disproportionate cost.

(iii) the cost of legal fees:

COST OF THIRD PARTY LEGAL FEES (£000'S)

Trust	Year				
	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09
Belfast HSC	556	1,538	975	1,328	1,983
Northern HSC	460	697	383	519	927
NI Ambulance HSC	3	26	2	0.21	0.51
South Eastern HSC	479	771	743	593	821
Southern HSC	2,705*	377*	4,193*	0.35	409
Western HSC	208	415	350	577	1,000

* The figures for Southern HSC Trust prior to 2007/08 represent the total amount paid in settlements and third party legal costs, as this information relates to legacy Trusts and is not held centrally within the Trust.

(iv) the total amount paid in settlements:

TOTAL AMOUNT PAID IN SETTLEMENT OF MEDICAL NEGLIGENCE CLAIMS (£000'S)

Trust	Year				
	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09
Belfast HSC	1,504	1,103	3,180	5,094	5,989
Northern HSC	916	859	753	1,120	902
NI Ambulance HSC	0	0	0	7.25	0
South Eastern HSC	404	1,950	499	1,479	5,315
Southern HSC	2,705*	377*	4,193*	0.5	1,157

Trust	Year				
	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09
Western HSC	544	1,425	1,210	589	1,275

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TOTAL AMOUNT PAID IN SETTLEMENT OF PUBLIC LIABILITY CLAIMS (£000'S)**

Trust	Year			
	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09
Belfast HSC	11	30	81	36
Northern HSC	46	33	68	112
NI Ambulance HSC	0	308	0	1
South Eastern HSC	9	86	11	26
Southern HSC	7	25	53	14
Western HSC	23	22	37	30

Drugs issued to Patients

Mr T Burns asked the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety, pursuant to AQW 1768/10, to detail the number of incidents where (i) the wrong drug has been issued to a patient; (ii) the wrong dose has been administered to a patient; and (iii) the wrong delivery method has been used to administer a drug to a patient, in each of the last five years.

(AQW 2319/10)

Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety: The table below sets out the information requested, the data applies to all six Health and Social Care Trusts. Data for 2004/05 is not fully available.

Year	Wrong drug issued	Wrong dose administered	Wrong delivery method used to administer drug
2005/06	134	271	35
2006/07	133	248	28
2007/08	140	202	38
2008/09	161	231	27

The above figures reflect proportionately the most commonly prescribed drugs in the Northern Ireland Health Service such as insulin, antibiotics, analgesics and intravenous medicines.

It is important to note that the incidence of incorrectly issued, administered and delivered drugs is very low given that literally millions of prescriptions are dispensed to hundreds of thousands of patients annually throughout the Health Service.

A recent General Medical Council (GMC) report stressed that very few prescribing errors caused harm to patients because most were intercepted and corrected before reaching them. The intervention of

nurses, senior doctors and, in particular, pharmacists was vital in picking up errors before impacting on patients

Medical Negligence Claims

Mr A Easton asked the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to detail the cost to the Health Service of medical negligence claims for the last financial year.

(AQW 2597/10)

Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety: The information requested has been set out in the table below.

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Answers to Questions

Mr T Burns asked the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety (i) when he expects to be in a position to respond to AQW 5682/10, AQW 4041/10, AQW 4479/10, and AQW 2319/10; and (ii) to detail the reason for the delay in answering these questions.

(AQW 6950/10)

Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety: Answers have now been provided for the following Assembly Questions, AQW 5682/10, AQW 4041/10 and AQW 4479/10.

Since May 2007, I have answered approximately 6000 written Assembly Questions, gathering information from across several HSC organisations. I can assure you that we always endeavour to answer questions as soon as the information becomes available.

Guidance on the Termination of Pregnancy: The Law and Clinical Practice in Northern Ireland

Mr P Ramsey asked the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety, in relation to the revised 'Guidance on the Termination of Pregnancy: The Law and Clinical Practice in Northern Ireland', (i) when the revised sections will be published for consultation; (ii) whether his Department will be open to receiving submissions on sections of the guidance, other than those sections on counselling and

conscientious objection; and (iii) what cost has been incurred as a result of the legal action taken against his Department for the publication of the guidance in March 2009.

(AQW 7582/10)

Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety: My Department will be issuing the revised Guidance for consultation during the week ending 23 July 2010.

The purpose of the consultation is to seek comments on the two revised sections of the Guidance, relating to conscientious objection and counselling. However, the Department will accept comments relating to the rest of the document where new evidence has emerged since the last public consultation on this Guidance.

The total legal costs incurred by my Department in relation to the publication of the Guidance in March 2009 have yet to be agreed.

Antrim Area Hospital

Mr R Beggs asked the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to detail the number of patients who have had to wait on a trolley, until a bed became available, in the Antrim Area Hospital since the reconfiguration of accident and emergency services in the Northern Health and Social Care Trust.

(AQW 7783/10)

Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety: Current HSC records note the delay associated with subsequent admission where a decision to admit to inpatient care has been made.

On this basis, since the reconfiguration of accident and emergency services, there were a total of 260 people waiting more than 2 hours in accident and emergency for admission to hospital.

Mid-Ulster Hospital Accident and Emergency Department

Mr P McGlone asked the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety (i) how many jobs were advertised by the Northern Health and Social Care Trust for (a) doctors; (b) consultants; and (c) nurses, for the Mid-Ulster Hospital Accident and Emergency Department, in each of the last ten years; and (ii) whether each post was filled (a) permanently; or (b) temporarily.

(AQW 8082/10)

Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety:

(I) DOCTORS POSTS ADVERTISED FOR MID ULSTER A&E

Year	Posts advertised
2001/02	0
2002/03	3
2003/04	1
2004/05	2
2005/06	2
2006/07	0
2007/08	3
2008/09	1
2009/10	1

(b) No consultant posts were advertised for Mid Ulster A&E in the last 10 years.

- (c) Northern HSC Trust is unable to provide nursing posts advertised specifically for Mid-Ulster A&E in the last 10 years.
- (ii) Northern HSC Trust is unable to provide information on whether posts were filled permanently or temporarily.

Source: Northern Health & Social Care Trust

Storing Medical Records

Mr A Easton asked the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to detail the annual cost to each Health and Social Care Trust of storing medical records.

(AQW 8355/10)

Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety: The identifiable costs associated with Records management by external providers, including retention and retrieval, by Trust are as follows:

Health and Social Care Trust	Total Identifiable Cost (£k)
Belfast	£549
Northern	£25.4
Southern	£82.3
South Eastern	£177.7
Western	£0
NIAS	£0.8

Different Trusts use different configurations of external provision dependent on their particular circumstances. Information on internal storage costs could only be provided at disproportionate cost.

Different retention periods apply to different types of health records. Children's records are kept for 25 years, maternity records for 25 years, general patient records for 8 years and mental health records for 20 years. Depending on the organisation they have different arrangements for storing such files. For example maternity cases are usually stored in the hospital for a period of time and then sent to offsite storage.

Cash Equivalent Transfer Values

Mr P McGlone asked the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety to detail the Cash Equivalent Transfer Values of all (i) senior employees; and (ii) directors in each Health and Social Care Trust in (a) 2005/06; (b) 2006/07; (c) 2007/08; (d) 2008/09; and (e) 2009/10.

(AQW 8363/10)

Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety: Please see attachment. Information on CETVs is available from pension scheme records for all senior employees (including executive directors and functional directors operating at board level).

Complete information for 2005/06 is not available and information for 2006/07 for Southern Trust has been taken from financial accounts disclosures rather than the scheme records, as pension scheme data is not available.

As the information relates to personnel, no individual names or distinguishing information has been provided. Rather a range for each Trust has been provided.

HSC Trust	Year	Employees	Total	Lowest Value	Highest Value
		Total	CETV	£	£
BCH	2005/06	3	1,598,000	357,000	852,000
RGH	2005/06	7	2,085,000	80,000	680,000
Ulster	2005/06	10	3,193,000	69,000	525,000
Down/Lisburn	2005/06	*	0	0	0
S+E Belfast	2005/06	1*	492,000	492,000	492,000
N+W Belfast	2005/06	1*	940,000	940,000	940,000
Greenpark	2005/06	1*	280,000	280,000	280,000
Mater	2005/06	5	879,000	15,000	389,000
NIAS	2005/06	1*	170,000	170,000	170,000
Craigavon/Banbridge	2005/06	6	1,969,000	174,000	620,000
Craigavon	2005/06	2*	265,000	54,000	211,000
Newry/Mourne	2005/06	9	3,758,000	117,000	1,106,000
Causeway	2005/06	10	103,000	1,000	21,000
Homefirst	2005/06	8	2,749,000	209,000	690,000
Foyle	2005/06	1*	425,000	425,000	425,000
Sperrin Lakeland	2005/06	*	0	0	0
Armagh/Dungannon	2005/06	2*	888,000	175,000	713,000
Altnagelvin	2005/06	8*	2,968,000	235,000	468,000

* Only includes those whose consent to disclosure was not withheld which was lower than total no of senior executives

Claims for Medical Negligence

Mr J O'Dowd asked the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety, pursuant to AQW 7595/10, in relation to the number of compensation claims for medical negligence (i) for the cases over 15 years old, to detail the number of years each case has been outstanding; (ii) for cases (a) between 5-10 years old; and (b) over 10 years old, how much has been paid out in legal fees by each Health and Social Care Trust.

(AQW 8454/10)

Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety: The information requested has been set out in the tables below. This information has been provided by the Health & Social Care Board and Trusts.

(I)

	Total claims ongoing 15+ years	Breakdown by years ongoing
HSC Board	55*	1 case – 27 years 1 case – 21 years 1 case – 20 years 8 cases – 19 years 14 cases – 18 years 7 cases – 17 years 13 cases – 16 years 10 cases – 15 years
Belfast HSC Trust	4	3 cases – 15 years 1 case – 17 years

* In AQW 7595/10 this figure was recorded as 56. Belfast HSC Trust has since settled one case. There was also one claim ongoing for more than 15 years recorded for the Southern HSC Trust in AQW 7595/10 – this case has now been closed.

(II)

	*Amount (£'s) paid in legal fees for Claims ongoing:		
	5-10 years	11-15 years	15+ years
HSC Board	81,159	140,595	233,459
Northern HSC Trust	143,619	5,450	0
Southern HSC Trust	102,890	63,336	0
Belfast HSC Trust	154,877	38,653	10,285
South Eastern HSC Trust	129,584	20,408	0
NI Ambulance HSC Trust	1,472	0	0
Western HSC Trust	204,184	49,843	0

*Fees paid for legal advice purchased from private legal practitioners (prior to the Directorate of Legal Services assuming sole responsibility for provision of legal advice to Health and Social Care organisations) are not included as this information is not available.

Bonfire Sites

Mr T Burns asked the Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety how many times fire crews were dispatched to bonfire sites during the period 1 May to 10 July, in each of the last five years; and the cost of dispatching these crews.

(AQW 8464/10)

Minister of Health, Social Services and Public Safety: The table details the number of incidents which were attended by Northern Ireland Fire and Rescue Service and classified as bonfire incidents during the period 1 May to 10 July in each of the last 5 years.

Year	No of Bonfire Incidents	Cost of Bonfire Incidents (£)
2009	288	894,076
2008	276	822,681
2007	234	631,176
2006	271	696,425
2005	283	675,582

The costs recorded are estimates based on the average cost per mobilised incident.

Department of Justice

Job Offers to PSNI and Prison Service Applicants

Mr T Burns asked the Minister of Justice to detail, for each of the last five years, the number of job offers to (i) PSNI; and (ii) Prison Service applicants which have been withdrawn because the candidate failed a security check, broken down by job type and grade.

(AQW 8460/10)

Minister of Justice (Mr D Ford): The security checking of PSNI applicants is a matter for the Chief Constable, who is accountable to the Northern Ireland Policing Board. I am committed to respecting the operational independence of the Chief Constable and the role of the Policing Board, and I have forwarded this Question to the Chief Constable, who will respond directly.

With regard to the Northern Ireland Prison Service, no job offers have been withdrawn due to the candidate having failed a security check. The process is such that an offer of employment is not made until the recruitment processes are complete. This includes a Counter Terrorist Check and an Access NI clearance.

Department for Regional Development

Director of Customer Services Delivery within NI Water

Mr G Savage asked the Minister for Regional Development to detail (i) when the post of Director of Customer Services Delivery within NI Water was advertised; (ii) which companies received the advertisement; and (iii) to provide a copy of the advertisement.

(AQW 8092/10)

Minister for Regional Development (Mr C Murphy): I have been advised by Northern Ireland Water that the post of Director of Customer Service Delivery was advertised in the Belfast Telegraph and The Sunday Times on 6 and 8 November 2009 respectively. It was also advertised on the recruitment website www.JobMarketNI.com on 6 November 2009. A copy of the advertisement is included below.

Northern Ireland Water, a Government owned company, is the sole provider of water and sewerage services in Northern Ireland supplying over 800,000 domestic, agricultural, commercial and business customers. We have already committed to over £1 billion investment in improving water infrastructure and will increase this to over £3 billion within the next 10 years to keep pace with customer and regulatory requirements.

To meet these challenging demands and create a world-class operation we are reorganising and strengthening our management team and seeking two high calibre executives. Both posts command six figure remuneration packages.

Operations and Customer Service Director ref 801**The Role:**

- Manage the operational and customer service functions and deliver significant transformational change (service, efficiency, cost, and modernisation) and improvement in the way NI Water operates and services its customers
- Develop the efficient delivery of core services to customers with a focus on continuous improvement

The Person:

- Significant experience in the utilities sector or demonstrably similar
- Senior (director or head of department) level experience
- Proven track record in operational management or customer service at a senior level. (Experience in both is desirable)
- Has played a demonstrable and leading role in the management of significant change programmes/projects

Chief Information Officer ref 810**The Role:**

- To provide, develop and improve, at strategic and operational levels, the overall quality, timeliness, integrity, availability, security and accessibility of information at all levels within NIW
- Provide advice and guidance to the Chairman, the Board and Executive Team in all matters concerning Information Technology, Information Systems and information provision and associated services

The Person:

- Senior (director or head of department) level experience in an IT role
- Relevant experience in a large complex environment
- Gained within the utility sector or similar preferred
- Has played a demonstrable and leading role in the management of significant change programmes/projects
- Track record of managing large multiple projects and groups

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Shortlisted candidates should be available to attend for interview in Belfast on 15th, 16th, 17th December. It may also be necessary to carry out on-line psychometric testing in advance of the interviews.

Board of NI Water

Miss M McIlveen asked the Minister for Regional Development to detail the salary and expenses paid to members of the Board of NI Water in each of the last three years.

(AQW 8286/10)

Minister for Regional Development: I have been advised by Northern Ireland Water (NIW) that the salary and expenses paid to members of the Board of NIW in each of the last three years are as detailed in the table below. The Salaries and Expenses included for the Executive Directors are in respect of their roles as full time Directors of NIW and not for their membership of the Board. Executive Directors do not receive any additional payments for their Board Membership.

Board Members	2007/08		2008/09		2009/10	
	Salary £	Expenses £	Salary £	Expenses £	Salary £	Expenses £
Chris Mellor – Chairman ^d	70,500	3,076	^a 159,167	^a 22,143	^a 91,215	^a 15,889
John Ballard – NED ^d	30,375	1,088	24,000	7,911	21,750	5,876
Ruth Thompson – NED ^d	26,167	633	24,750	3,994	21,750	3,691
Donald Price – NED ^d			12,000	0	20,250	0
Declan Gormley – NED ^d			12,000	71	23,250	22
Rose Hynes – NED ^d	4,728	0				
Katharine Bryan – Chief Executive ED	153,644	312	^b 118,056	0		
Laurence MacKenzie – Chief Executive ED					130,241	1,259
Ronan Larkin – ED	101,979	1,652	107,792	3,566	108,869	3,309
Phil Barker – ED	114,310	0	88,349	696		
George Butler – ED			35,907	^c 14,136	108,783	^c 19,209

Notes:

ED = Executive Director

NED = Non Executive Director

- a These figures reflect the fact that for part of 2008/09 and part of 2009/10 the Chairman had undertaken a joint role as Chairman and Chief Executive within NIW.
- b Includes payment of salary arrears of £80,843.50.
- c Includes relocation expenses of £12,915 in 2008/09 and £17,828 in 2009/10.
- d The Terms and Conditions of Appointment for the non executive members specify that they are not employees of either NIW or the Department for Regional Development and that nothing in their letters of appointment shall be construed as, or taken to create any contract of employment between themselves and NIW or the Department. Accordingly, members receive a fee rather than a salary.

Contracts Awarded to Deloitte

Mr P McGlone asked the Minister for Regional Development to detail all contracts awarded to Deloitte in relation to NI Water since April 2007, including the nature of the contracts, the cost of each contract and the number of consultants and sub-contractors engaged.

(AQW 8471/10)

Minister for Regional Development: I am advised that 14 contracts have been awarded to Deloitte in relation to Northern Ireland Water (NIW) since 1 April 2007. Table 1 sets out the number of contracts awarded by NIW to Deloitte since April 2007 and Table 2 details the number of contracts awarded by the Department to Deloitte in relation to NIW since April 2007. Each table contains information on the nature of the contracts, the cost and the number of consultants and sub-contractors engaged.

TABLE 1

CONTRACTS AWARDED TO DELOITTE BY NI WATER SINCE 1 APRIL 2007

Name of Contract	Description	Value of Contract	No. of Consultants	Sub Contractors Engaged	Single Tender Action
Forensic Accountancy Support & Expert Witness	NIW need to engage forensic accountancy support in the ongoing legal proceedings issued by Steria against NIW in support of the defence of those proceedings and in support of NIW's counterclaim against Steria. If the dispute goes to full trial the Forensic Accountant will be expected to act as an expert witness and give evidence to the court on that basis.	£250,000	4	No	No
Customer Hub 2009/10 Subject Matter Expert Provision	Accelerated maturity/ progression of the Customer Services functions within Service Performance, Customer Interface and Data Quality. Skills transfer in Root Cause Analysis, process design and mapping, Change Option development, appraisal/presentation and Risk Assessment and Mitigation.	£194,500	2	No	No

Name of Contract	Description	Value of Contract	No. of Consultants	Sub Contractors Engaged	Single Tender Action
Data Quality Implementation Team	In order to address Corporate Risk 11 [inaccurate, incomplete, insecure and unreliable data for decision making and reporting throughout the business] and NIW's "Legal Undertakings" to the regulator, a number of Data Quality Improvement projects were identified for immediate commencement. Allocation of external assistance to project teams will assist with mitigating against the risk of NIW failing to resolve "Corporate Risk 11" and failing to meet their "legal undertakings" within the allotted deadlines.	£119,250	2	No	No
Financial Model Scoping	Scoping and design of long term financial model which will enable the business to benefit from improved financial modelling, management forecasting, business planning, shareholder reporting and scenario modelling and submissions to the Utility Regulator in Regulatory Reviews - in particular PC13.	£100,000	3	No	No

Name of Contract	Description	Value of Contract	No. of Consultants	Sub Contractors Engaged	Single Tender Action
Internal Audit Annual Information Return End to End Reviews 2009	Staff Substitution as appropriate resources not available in-house. Purpose - to achieve better understanding of realistic confidence grade for Annual Information Return and management action plan to improve confidence grading.	£29,250	1	No	No
Information Management Scoping Study	Specialist knowledge required to undertake a scoping study to scope and plan a project that will develop the policies, controls and infrastructure required to implement good information management techniques.	£21,900	2	No	No
Secondment to Regulation & Business Performance Team	Staff substitute in Regulation and Business Performance team at time when team was absent a number of key positions. Worked on a project to establish a framework for ensuring that business improvement recommendations made by the Reporter in the course of their audits of NI Water Regulatory outputs could all be captured and assigned to business areas for implementation in a way that enabled verification of action.	£14,300	1	No	No

Name of Contract	Description	Value of Contract	No. of Consultants	Sub Contractors Engaged	Single Tender Action
Behavioural Competency Framework	Describe, implement and manage a clearly defined behavioural and competency framework for all grades within the new organisational structure which spans a diverse range of roles.	£12,400	1	No	No
Independent Review of Internal Audit Function	Relevant knowledge of best practice internal audit transferred to internal audit team as appropriate.	£9,980	1	No	No
Board Effectiveness Review	Under the Combined Code of Corporate Governance it is best practice for a Board to conduct a review of its effectiveness on an annual basis. External expert appointed to facilitate review.	£9,950	1	No	No
Corporate Resource Planning	Development of a succession planning strategy which identifies employees to fill critical roles in the short term to ensure business continuity; development of a talent management strategy which will identify high-potential employees who will become long-term successors, build internal bench-strength and retain the best talent within NI Water; building internal capability and thereby reducing the need to fill senior roles externally.	£7,500	1	No	No

Name of Contract	Description	Value of Contract	No. of Consultants	Sub Contractors Engaged	Single Tender Action
Forensic Support for Internal Investigation	Evidence to support ongoing Steria investigation. Transfer of forensic skill to the internal audit team.	£5,000	1	No	No
Total		£774,030			

Table 2

Contracts awarded by the Department for Regional Development to Deloitte in relation to NI Water since April 2007

Name of Contract	Description	Value of Contract	No. of Consultants	Sub Contractors Engaged	Single Tender Action
Independent Review Team Report	To provide the IRT with specialist knowledge of best practice public sector corporate governance arrangements.	£24,450	2	No	Yes
Assessment of NI Water Internal Audit Methodology	Appointed by DRD to support recommendation of IRT that the methodology used by NI Water Internal Audit should be independently validated.	£6,300	1	No	Yes
Total		£30,750			

Overall Total (DRD and NI Water)

£804,780

Department for Social Development

Contracts

Ms M Anderson asked the Minister for Social Development to detail (i) all contracts in excess of (a) 12 months duration and; (b) £1 million entered into by his Department in each of the last ten years; (ii) any year on year over-runs in these contracts; (iii) whether there were break clauses attached to the contracts; and (iv) the number of break clauses that have been exercised.

(AQW 8343/10)

Minister for Social Development (Mr A Attwood): The information requested in respect of contracts over 12 months duration & worth in excess of £1m is set out below for each of the Department's Business Areas.

Social Security Agency

- Disability and Carers Support System (DACs) – contract issued in 2000;
- Post Office card account (POca) – contract issued in 2002;
- DSD Security Guarding – contracts issued in 2002 and 2009;
- State Pension Credit Application Front End – contract issued in 2003;
- SSA printed material & related services – contract issued in 2003;
- SSA giro reconciliation services – contract issued in 2004;
- SSA photocopiers refresh – contract awarded in 2005.

The 2002 security guarding contract included year on year overruns until a new contract was awarded in 2009; and there was a seven month extension/over-run at the end of the cheque reconciliation contract from April to October 2008. While all but the State Pension Credit contract contained break clauses, none were exercised in the last 10 years.

Child Maintenance & Enforcement Division

In 2005, the then Child Support Agency issued a Facilities Management contract. There have been no year on year over-runs and while the contract had a break clause included, this has never been exercised.

Northern Ireland Housing Executive

The list below details all contracts entered into by the Northern Ireland Housing Executive in each of the last 10 years by programme category:-

2000

- 6 x Multi element schemes
- 1 x Grounds Maintenance schemes

2001

- 10 x Multi element scheme
- 1 x External cyclical maintenance scheme

2002

- 15 x Multi element schemes
- 1 x Heating replacement scheme
- 1 x District heating replacement scheme
- 2 x External cyclical maintenance schemes
- 2 x Environmental Improvement schemes

2003

- 14 x Multi element schemes
- 1 x External cyclical maintenance scheme
- 3 x Measured Term Repair Contracts

2004

- 22 x Multi element schemes
- 1 x External cyclical maintenance scheme
- 9 x Grounds Maintenance schemes
- 8 x Measured Term Repair Contracts

2005

- 19 x Multi element schemes
- 2 x Environmental Improvement schemes
- 1 x Special scheme

2006

- 17 x Multi element schemes
- 2 x Grounds Maintenance schemes
- 1 x Special scheme
- 1 x Special revenue scheme
- 1 x External cyclical maintenance scheme
- 3 x Environmental Improvement schemes

2007

- 14 x Multi element schemes
- 1 x Environmental Improvement scheme
- 1 x Special scheme

2008

- 11 x Multi element schemes
- 1 x Revenue replacement/ external schemes
- 1 x Structurally defect stock

2009

- 2 x Heating installations
- 1 x Environmental Improvement scheme
- 2 x Warm Homes
- 1 x Rathcoole Multi element

Eleven of these contracts had year on year over-runs; all planned schemes have “determination” clauses (which provide for the effective termination of the employment of the contractor/employer) and all term contracts have termination clauses. Four of these contracts were automatically determined due to the insolvency of the Contractors.

Urban Regeneration & Community Development Group

The list below details the contracts entered into by the Group within the last 10 years by programme category.

Nature & No. of Contracts	Years when awarded
Peace III projects - 7 contracts	2008(4); 2009(2); 2010(1)

Nature & No. of Contracts	Years when awarded
Building/refurbishment contracts - 18 contracts	2000 (1); 2001 (1); 2003 (2); 2007 (1)
(including 4 x Modernisation Fund)	2007 (2); 2008 (2); 2009 (8); 2010 (1)
Environmental Improvement schemes - 4 contracts	2006 (1); 2007 (1); 2008 (1); 2009 (1)
Public Realm schemes - 8 contracts	2004(1); 2007 (1); 2008 (2); 2009 (3); 2010 (1)
Regional Infrastructural programmes - 9 contracts	2003 (1); 2004 (1); 2005 (2); 2007(3); 2008 (1) 2009 (1)
Others e.g. framework agreement, community volunteering project etc. - 5 contracts	2003 (1); 2006 (2); 2007 (2)

There were no year-on-year over-runs on any of the 51 contracts; and, while 16 of the 51 contained break clauses (primarily the Regional Infrastructure and Modernisation Fund contracts), none were exercised.

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Revised Written Answers

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The attached Appendix A contains the details in answer to the above questions.

ANNEX A

YEAR 2010

	No of items	Description	Time recorded as missing	Found	Estimated Value	Cost of replacement
Stolen	1	American Eight Day Gingerbread Clock	02.04.2009	No	£300	
	1	Pair of wire rimmed spectacles	00.06.2009	No	£20	
	1	Staffordshire earthenware ornament	04.06.2009	No	£500	
Lost						
Misplaced	1	species: Melitaea didyma	2010 Audit	No	£15	
	1	species: Chesias rufata	2010 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: ICHNEUMON	2010 Audit	No	£2.50	
	1	PHOTOGRAPH; Glass plate negative; species: Nymphaea alba Stamp from South Australia: 6 pence, surcharged 5 pence	2010 Audit	No	£10	
	1	Fire Dog	2010 Audit	No	£3.75	
	1	Shoemaker's knife	2010 Audit	No	£70-£100	
	1	Shop's advertisement	2010 Audit	No	£40	
	1	Draw knife	2010 Audit	No	£40-£50	
	1	Cardboard Tags	2010 Audit	No	£40-£55	
	1	School book	2010 Audit	No	£15	
	1	Doll	2010 Audit	No	£30-£40	
	1	Handle	2010 Audit	No	£60-£125	
	1		2010 Audit	No	£3	

YEAR 2009

	No of items	Description	Length of time missing	Found	Estimated Value	Cost of replacement
Stolen						
Lost						
Misplaced	1	Library Book-Edwardian Belfast: A Social Profile (Explorations in Irish History)	2009 Audit	No		£10
	1	Doll's Clothes	2009 Audit	No	£40-£50	
	1	Tea cosy cover	2009 Audit	No	£125	
	1	Patchwork bedcover	2009 Audit	No	£300-£500	
	3	Augers	2009 Audit	No	£40-£60	
	1	Canal lock gate equipment	2009 Audit	No	£150	
	1	Silversmith's sandbag	2009 Audit	No	£50-£80	
	1	Mason's stone hammer	2009 Audit	No	£50-£80	
	1	String holder	2009 Audit	No	£60-£80	
	1	Basket makers cleaver of 'splitter'	2009 Audit	No	£60	
	1	Green-glass hanging lamp	2009 Audit	No	£60	
	1	Piece of bog butter	2009 Audit	No	n/a	
	1	Crimping tongs	2009 Audit	No	£40	
	3	Jelly moulds	2009 Audit	No	£60-£100	
	1	Black leather pocket book	2009 Audit	No	£25	
	1	Auger	2009 Audit	No	£20	
	1	Weighing machine	2009 Audit	No	£200	
	1	Bottle, medical	2009 Audit	No	£5	
	1	Washing board	2009 Audit	No	£20	
	1	Helmet; Civil defence	2009	No	£25	
	1	Card Game	2009	No	£10	
	1	C.D Brassard [Civil Defence Armband]	2009	No	£10	

YEAR 2008

	No of items	Description	Length of time missing	Found	Estimated Value	Cost of replacement
Stolen						
Lost						
Misplaced	1	turf barrow	2008 Audit	No	£400	
	1	plane	2008 Audit	No	£20	
	1	spectacles	2008 Audit	No	£40	
	1	lamp	2008 Audit	No	£30	
	1	bottle, ink	2008 Audit	Yes 2010	£10	
	1	jam jar	2008 Audit	Yes 2010	£10	
	1	Library Book – How it is Made c.1941	2008 Audit	No	£5	
	1	Cassette	2008 Audit	No	£2	
	1	Baby brush and comb set	2008 Audit	No	£70	
	1	Fleece	2008 Audit	No	£80	
	1	Overskirt	2008 Audit	No	£60-£100	
	1	Sampler	2008 Audit	No	£250	
	1	Blouse	2008 Audit	No	£100	
	1	Scarf Lace	2008 Audit	No	£100	
	1	Clerical Hat	2008 Audit	No	£200	
	1	Doll	2008 Audit	No	£350	
	1	Bedsread	2008 Audit	No	£300	
	1	Baking board	2008 Audit	No	£60	
	1	Tongs (broken)	2008 Audit	No	£15	
	1	Round plane	2008 Audit	No	£60-£70	
	1	Wheelwright's hoop dog	2008 Audit	No	£100	
	1	Object, Ballycastle glass	2008 Audit	No	£100	
	1	Linen cart	2008 Audit	Yes 2008	£2000-£3000	
	1	2 Horse reaper	2008 Audit	No	£700-£900	

YEAR 2007

	No of items	Description	Length of time missing	Found	Estimated Value	Cost of replacement
Stolen						
Lost						
Misplaced						

YEAR 2006

	No of items	Description	Length of time missing	Found	Estimated Value	Cost of replacement
Stolen						
Lost						
Misplaced	1	Disc, ground	2006	No	£10	
	1	Pointed implement, double	2006	No	£100	
	1	Axe	2006	No	£100	
	1	Facetted hammer, round	2006	No	£50	
	1	Rubber	2006	No	£100	
	6	Photographic Prints	2006	No	£5 each	

YEAR 2005

	No of items	Description	Length of time missing	Found	Estimated Value	Cost of replacement
Stolen	1	Gilt Pocket Watch	20/11/2005	No	£70	
	1	Decorative Watch Stand	21/11/2005	No	£30	
	1	Nickel Plated Gents Pocket Watch	22/11/2005	No	£60	
Lost						
Misplaced						

YEAR 2004

	No of items	Description	Length of time missing	Found	Estimated Value	Cost of replacement
Stolen						
Lost						
Misplaced						

YEAR 2003

	No of items	Description	Length of time missing	Found	Estimated Value	Cost of replacement
Stolen	1	Large Wooden Beetle	September 2003	No	£70-£100	
	1	Medium sized cast Iron Kettle	September 2003	No	£70-£125	
	2	Metal milk / Billy cans, one without a lid	September 2003	No	£30	
	1	Small American clock, in working condition	September 2003	No	£150-£200	
	1	Small white enamel candleholder	September 2003	No	£20	
	2	Pair of framed Prints (colour Portraits of King Edward VII & Queen Alexandra)	September 2003	No	£100-£250	
	1	Small hand oil lamp, clear glass reservoir	September 2003	No	£60-£70	
	1	Framed text 'The Lord is my Shepherd I shall not want'	September 2003	No	£70	
Lost						
Misplaced	1	PRINT; The Rialto Bridge from the West, Venice	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£50	
	1	PRINT; David Hartley	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£250	
	1	PRINT; Abstraction	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£75	
	1	BROOCH; (copy of Tara brooch)	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£400	

	No of items	Description	Length of time missing	Found	Estimated Value	Cost of replacement
Misplaced	1	Brooch, gilt dragon	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£100	
	1	Painting, James McQuitty, Esq. (1922)	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£800	
	1	Painting, Portrait of Unknown Woman (1903?)	2003 Audit	No	£500	
	1	Drawing, At Cushendall (1858)	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£800	
	1	Drawing, The land-rail or corn crake (Crex crex)	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£4000	
	1	Paten	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£5000	
	1	COFFEE-POT; Coffee Pot: Bateson	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£30000	
	1	core: dual opposed	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£50	
	1	BELT; Sam Brown Belt with frog	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	Belt	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£50	
	1	COIN; halfpenny	2003 Audit	No	£1	
	1	COIN; shilling ; forgery	2003 Audit	No	£1	
	1	COIN; half mark	2003 Audit	No	£1	
	1	COIN; two cash	2003 Audit	No	£2	
	1	COIN; penny	2003 Audit	No	£12	
	1	TOKEN; half penny	2003 Audit	No	£15	
	1	photographic lantern slide	2003 Audit	No	£20	
	1	photographic print	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	Photographic print	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	PHOTOGRAPH; Glass negative	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
1	PHOTOGRAPH; Glass negative	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10		

	No of items	Description	Length of time missing	Found	Estimated Value	Cost of replacement
Misplaced	1	PHOTOGRAPH; Glass negative	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	Bookplate	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	species: Tetraxis pellucida Hedw.	2003 Audit	No	£5	
	1	species: Ceratodon purpureus (Hedw.) Brid.	2003 Audit	No	£5	
	1	species: Rubus wahlbergii Arrh.	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Gibbula pennanti (Philippi, 1846)	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Anomia ephippium Linne, 1758	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Delias doytes ssp. Doylei	2003 Audit	No	£15	
	1	species: Hypopimnas missippus	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	species: Anartia jatrophae L	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£15	
	1	species: Boloria selene (Dennis: Schiffermueller 1775)	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	species: Euphydryas aurinia (Rottemburg 1775)	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£15	
	1	species: Euphydryas aurinia (Rottemburg 1775)	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£15	
	1	species: Euphydryas aurinia (Rottemburg 1775)	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£15	
	1	species: Euphydryas aurinia (Rottemburg 1775)	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£15	
1	species: Euphydryas aurinia (Rottemburg 1775)	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£15		

	No of items	Description	Length of time missing	Found	Estimated Value	Cost of replacement
Misplaced	1	species: Euphydryas aurinia (Rottemburg 1775)	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£15	
	1	species: Pieris napi (Linnaeus 1758)	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£257.50	
	1	species: Euxoa tritici (Linnaeus 1761)	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£5	
	1	species: Pyrrhia umbra (Hufnagel 1766)	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	species: Lycia zonaria (Schiff)	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	species: Epirrata dilutata (Denis and Schiffermuller)	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	species: Erebia pandrose Borkhausen 1788	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£25	
	1	species: Pyrgus alveus Huebner 1803	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£15	
	1	species: Maculinea arion Linnaeus 1761	2003 Audit	No	£25	
	1	species: Gastrophysa polygoni Linnaeus, 1758	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	species: Notiophilus germinyi Fauvel, 1863	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	species: Platyderus ruficollis (Marsham, 1802)	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	species: Megatoma undata (Linnaeus, 1758)	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	WASP	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	FLY	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
1	species: Adalia 7-punctata	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10		
1	species: Adalia conglobata	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10		

	No of items	Description	Length of time missing	Found	Estimated Value	Cost of replacement
Misplaced	1	HYMENOPTERA	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	HYMENOPTERA	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	PHOTOGRAPHS; Glass plate negative	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	PHOTOGRAPHS; Glass plate negative	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Empis (Euempis) tessellate	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	species: Empis (Euempis) tessellata Fabricius, 1794	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	species: Bicellaria sulcata Zett., 1842	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	species: Barylypa insidiator (Foerster)	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	species: Hilara brevistyla Collin, 1927	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	species: Eristalis (S. G. Eoseristalis) intricarius (Linnaeus)	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	species: Bicellaria vana Collin, 1926	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	species: Empis S. Anachrostichus verralli Collin, 1927	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	species: Glypta bicornis Boie, 1850	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	species: Cleorodes lichenaria (Hufnagel 1767)	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	species: Halictus S. Seladonia tumulorum (Linnaeus, 1758)	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	species: Leucozona lucorum (Linne)	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
1	species: Xantholinus linearis	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10		

	No of items	Description	Length of time missing	Found	Estimated Value	Cost of replacement
Misplaced	1	species: Maculinea teleius Bergstrasser, 1779	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£20	
	1	species: Maculinea teleius Bergstrasser, 1779	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£20	
	1	species: Rhingia campestris Meigen	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	species: Zizeeria knysna Trimen	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£30	
	1	species: Glaucopsyche alexis Poda, 1761	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£20	
	1	species: Sphaerophonia menthrasti	2003 Audit	Yes 06 decant	£10	
	1	Sketch for Poster: Palm Trees	2003 Audit	No	£500	
	1	HYMENOPTERA	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	HYMENOPTERA	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	HYMENOPTERA	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Larentia flavicincta	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Eupithecia pulchellata	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Eupithecia scabiosata	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Xanthorhoe montanata	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Xanthorhoe fluctuate	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Eucosmia certata	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Maniola jurtina	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Tachinus signatus	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Aloconota gregaria Erichson	2003 Audit	No	£10	

	No of items	Description	Length of time missing	Found	Estimated Value	Cost of replacement
Misplaced	1	species: Tachyporus atriceps	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Hadena serena	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Procus faruncula	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Antitype chi	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Griposia aprilina	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Agrochola lota	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Scotopteryx luridata	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Lithomoia solidaginis	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Pristiphora alnivora (Hartig, 1840)	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Melitaea didyma Esper, 1779	2003 Audit	No	£20	
	1	species: Mellicta parthenoides Keferstein, 1851	2003 Audit	No	£20	
	1	species: Meloboris ischnocera Thomson	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Lathrobium fennicum	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Pieris napi britannica Verity, 1911	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Abrostula triplasia Linne	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Anticlea badiata	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	MOTH; Grey Pine Carpet	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	FLY	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	WASP	2003 Audit	No	£10	
1	species: Eudoria basistrigalis Knaggs, 1866	2003 Audit	No	£10		

	No of items	Description	Length of time missing	Found	Estimated Value	Cost of replacement
Misplaced	1	species: Alucita hexadactyla (Linnaeus, 1758)	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Euzophera pinguis (Haworth, 1811)	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Acleris hastiana (Linnaeus, 1758)	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Aethes nartmanniana (Clerck, 1759)	2003 Audit	No	£10	
	1	species: Drymus sylvaticus	2003 Audit	No	£10	

YEAR 2002

	No of items	Description	Length of time missing	Found	Estimated Value	Cost of replacement
Stolen						
Lost						
Misplaced						

YEAR 2001

	No of items	Description	Length of time missing	Found	Estimated Value	Cost of replacement
Stolen						
Lost						
Misplaced						

YEAR 2000

	No of items	Description	Length of time missing	Found	Estimated Value	Cost of replacement
Stolen						
Lost						
Misplaced						

Please note with the exception of a trial in 2003 at the Ulster Museum, formal physical verification exercises were not introduced until 2008 and now occur on an annual basis across all of National Museums (NMNI) sites i.e. Ulster Museum Ulster Folk & Transport Museum, Ulster American Folk Park and Armagh County Museum. As illustrated, items classified as misplaced continue to be subsequently located as NMNI progresses its storage and documentation arrangements. In relation to costs incurred in replacement, as illustrated, to date they are modest and confined to one library book.

With regard to art galleries The Arts Council is not a public museum or an art gallery.

(AQW 8389/10)

Responsibility for promoting the British Transplant Games to transplant patients rests, in the first instance, with Transplant Sports UK in conjunction with the Local Organising Committee. Responsibility for the promotion of the event in sports clubs and leisure centres rests with the owners of sports clubs and district councils. I would, however, add my own personal support for this important sporting event which I am aware will be held in Belfast in 2011.

(AQW 8172/10)

As Health and Social Care Trusts have only been in existence in their current configuration since April 2007 details of the bonus payments made to the Chief Executives and Directors are only available from that date; these are as follows:

HSC Trust	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10
Belfast HSC Trust	£4,680	£6,568	£ nil
Northern HSC Trust	£4,275	£3,097	£ nil
Southern HSC Trust	£4,680	£4,867	£ nil
Western HSC Trust	£3,525	£3,468	£ nil
South Eastern HSC Trust	£4,354	£ nil	£ nil
Totals	£16,834	£18,000	£ nil

There were no bonuses paid to Trust Chief Executives and Directors in April 2009; in relation to the April 2008 to March 2009 performance period.



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