

Treasury and Exchequer Ministerial Decision Report



TRANSFER OF UNSPENT REVENUE BUDGETS TO CONTINGENCY

1. Purpose of Report

To request the approval of a non-recurring transfer £16,141,750 from departmental underspends in 2018 to contingency for 2019.

2. Background

The outturn from departmental revenue budgets leaves £16,141,750 not spent at the end of 2018.

The departmental underspends are to provide funding for the shortfalls in 2019 for the current pay proposals and provide budget to the Growth, Housing and Environment Department to rectify their income shortfall due to the non-delivery of waste charges in this Medium Term Financial Plan.

To enable departments to deliver previous commitments this funding is required to be transferred into the Allocation of Contingency to be used during 2019.

3. Recommendation

The Minister is recommended to approve a non-recurring transfer of £16 million from various Revenue Heads of Expenditure s detailed below to Allocation of Contingency:-

Entity	Actual (£)	Budget (£)	Budget Variance (Adv)/Fav
Chief Minister's Department	60,688,332	60,854,161	165,829
- Overseas Aid	10,373,067	10,380,472	7,405
External Relations	3,192,212	3,252,573	60,361
Community and Constitutional Affairs	45,556,269	46,328,499	772,230
Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture	18,806,314	19,060,736	254,422
Education	112,573,955	113,202,965	629,010
Department of the Environment	5,682,925	5,860,480	177,555
Health and Social Services	208,915,205	208,933,064	17,859
Department for Infrastructure	62,982,510	64,708,033	1,725,523
Social Security	177,155,297	188,100,022	10,944,725
Treasury and Resources	25,671,421	25,676,550	5,129
Non Ministerial States Funded	22,405,936	23,750,046	1,344,110
States Assembly	5,301,564	5,339,156	37,592
	759,305,007	775,446,757	16,141,750

4. Reason for Decision

Article 18(1A) of the Public Finances (Jersey) Law 2005 states that all or any part of the amount appropriated by a head of expenditure may, with the approval of the Minister for Treasury and Resources, be transferred from the head of expenditure to contingency expenditure, within or after the end of the relevant financial year.

Article 18(1B) of the Public Finances (Jersey) Law 2005 states that the Minister shall, after consulting the Chief Minister and PAO, give the States Assembly at least 2 weeks' notice before an amount is transferred under paragraph (1)(c) or (1A).

Article 18(1C) of the Public Finances (Jersey) Law 2005 states that before giving notice under paragraph (1B), the Minister shall, in relation to any States funded body, consult the Minister responsible for that body. The Ministers for the departments listed have been consulted.

The Chief Minister and Principal Accountable Officer (PAO) have been consulted.

5. Resource Implications

This decision will result in various revenue heads of expenditure decreasing by £16,141,750 in 2018 and Allocation of Contingency increasing by the same amount in 2019.

This decision does not change the total amount of expenditure approved by the States in the Medium Term Financial Plan 2016-2019.

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