

**REPLY BY THE MINISTER OF  
THE HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES DEPARTMENT  
TO A QUESTION ASKED PURSUANT TO RULE 6 OF THE  
RULES OF PROCEDURE BY ALDERNEY REPRESENTATIVE P. E. ARDITTI**

**Question 1**

*What pre-school facilities does [the Health and Social Services] department provide in Guernsey?*

**Answer 1**

The Health and Social Services Department does not provide pre-school facilities. However, under the Child Protection (Guernsey) Law, 1972, the Department is responsible for registering and inspecting all pre-school facilities, nurseries and childminders which look after children under the age of 5. The inspection and registration process is run by the Department's Early Years Team.

**Question 2**

*What pre-school facilities are planned for Guernsey and when?*

**Answer 2**

As the Health and Social Services Department does not provide pre-school facilities, it is not possible for the Department to answer this question.

**Question 3**

*What pre-school facilities does [the Health and Social Services] department provide in Alderney and, if none, why?*

**Answer 3**

The Health and Social Services Department does not provide pre-school facilities. The Department does, however, register and inspect all pre-school facilities, nurseries and childminders in Alderney, following the Alderney (Application of Legislation) (Child Protection) Ordinance, 2000, which had the effect of applying the Child Protection (Guernsey) Law, 1972, in Alderney.

**Question 4**

*What pre-school facilities are planned for Alderney and when?*

**Answer 4**

Please see answer to Question 2.

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