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[ASSEMBLY — Tuesday, 13 June 2017] p816b-816b Mr Zak Kirkup; Mr Mick Murray

MINISTER FOR SENIORS AND AGEING — PORTFOLIOS — WANNACRY COMPUTER VIRUS

57. Mr Z.R.F. Kirkup to the Minister for Seniors and Ageing; Volunteering; Sport and Recreation:

In respect of the Minister's portfolio responsibilities for departments, agencies, boards or publicly owned corporations:

- (a) how many computers were infected with the ransomware program called 'WannaCry':
 - (i) was any payment made to decrypt any computers as per the ransom;
 - (ii) why were the infected machines not patched to prevent this from occurring; and
 - (iii) what actions have been taken since the infection to prevent this from occurring again in the future?

Mr M.P. Murray replied:

Department of Local Government and Communities

- (a) Nil.
 - (i)-(iii) Not applicable.

Department of Sport and Recreation

- (a) No computers were infected with the ransomware program called 'WannaCry'.
 - (i) No, there were no ransomware infections.
 - (ii) No, there were no ransomware infections.
 - (iii) Department of Sport and Recreation computers are routinely patched as per vendor recommendation and are protected by a variety of levels of antivirus to prevent infection of viruses and malware.