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Topic: Payment scheme for workers assessed under the BSWAT

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Senator Moore asked:

What work has the Government done on designing a new wage assessment process, including any consultations that have taken place or are planned to take place?

Answer:

In July 2013, the Department conducted consultations with ADEs, peak bodies and other stakeholders to discuss the development of a future wage assessment process. Consultations with supported employees and their families and carers took place soon after that.

The BSWAT mailbox provides an avenue through which stakeholders can provide to the Department comments and ideas about wage assessment tools.

The detail of a new wage assessment tool is still under consideration.