

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO H.M. ATTORNEY GENERAL
BY DEPUTY M.R. HIGGINS OF ST. HELIER
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 3rd JUNE 2014**

Question

Will H.M. Attorney General set out in full the appointment procedures for the posts listed below, stating in detail all those involved in the decision making process and when, and all those who can write or meet with these individuals and/or bodies to make recommendations/representations or to influence the appointments of:

Bailiff
Deputy Bailiff
Attorney General
Solicitor General
The Dean
H.E. Lieutenant Governor

Answer

The Bailiff, Deputy Bailiff, Attorney General and Solicitor General

The appointment procedure for Bailiff, Deputy Bailiff, Attorney General and Solicitor General is already in the public domain and can be found in the report entitled '*The Review of the Roles of the Crown Officers*' (The Carswell report) dated December 2010, Chapter 7 - Appointment of Crown Officers. Further information is to be found in the transcript of the public hearing dated 4th May 2010 before the Carswell Review Panel when the Bailiff attended upon the Panel.

The Dean

Any vacancy in the office of Dean will be advertised by the Bishop of Dover in conjunction with the Archbishop's Appointments Commission. The Bishop of Dover will make arrangements to shortlist any candidates. Short listed candidates and their wives attend on Island for meetings with a number of persons including the Bailiff, Vice Deans, Church Wardens and other representatives of St Helier Parish Church, the Lay Chairman of the Jersey Deanery Synod and the Constable of St Helier. Interviews are conducted by the Lieutenant Governor, the Bishop of Dover and Church Wardens. The Bishop of Dover and the Lieutenant Governor then consult with those who have met the candidates and the Lieutenant Governor with the advice of the Bishop of Dover selects the preferred candidate. That person's name is submitted to the Ministry of Justice for approval by HM The Queen.

H.E. the Lieutenant Governor

Any vacancy in the office of Lieutenant Governor is advertised in the United Kingdom through the Ministry of Justice and through the Ministry of Defence. On the occasion of the last vacancy, a recommending panel comprising the Bailiff, the Lieutenant Bailiff and a member of the Jersey Appointments Commission was constituted in order to shortlist candidates and interview all those candidates who were shortlisted. The Panel consulted the Chief Minister. Following the interview process, a recommendation was made to the Lord Chancellor who in turn made a recommendation to Her Majesty.

All of the above appointments are made by the Crown and accordingly the procedure is agreed with the Ministry of Justice.