

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE CHIEF MINISTER
BY DEPUTY M. TADIER OF ST. BRELADE
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER 2016**

Question

What steps, if any, were made to invite Lord Carswell to speak to Members ahead of the planned debate on 'Bailiff of Jersey: cessation of dual role and the appointment of an elected Speaker of the States' (P.54/2016)? When was correspondence sent, what did it say, and what was the outcome?

Answer

Lord Carswell was contacted in August in order to ascertain whether he would be willing to speak to States Members on this subject once again. Lord Carswell has kindly agreed to address States Members again, but due to other personal commitments, is only available to visit Jersey at the end of September or after the end of October.

I would hope to have an opportunity to discuss potential dates with both Deputy Tadier and with the Chairman of the Privileges and Procedures Committee before agreeing a final date with Lord Carswell. However, given the important debate on the Medium Term Financial Plan on the 27th September, the end of September is therefore not feasible.