WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE EDUCATION, SPORT AND CULTURE COMMITTEE BY DEPUTY G.P. SOUTHERN OF ST. HELIER

ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 24th MAY 2005

Ouestion

The President in his answer to my question on 10th May 2005, regarding the £1.3 million post-19 funding proposal, stated that 'the proposals.......have not yet been considered or accepted by Committees' and 'it would be inappropriate for me to comment'.

Would the President inform members -

- (a) whether the Committee released this figure and, if not, whether he is aware who did, under what circumstances, and for what purpose? and,
- (b) whether there is any under-funding in 2006 for the provision of post-16 education at Highlands, and, if so, what measures, if any, does the Committee propose in order to address this?

Answer

- (a) The figures were not released by the Committee but by the Treasury as part of its open and transparent resource allocation process. All States members were invited to attend the Presidents' discussions on the 2006 2008 resource allocation process and, therefore, it was considered to be in the public interest to release the information provided at that meeting.
- (b) As I stated in my answer to the Deputy's previous question 'the Committee has not yet discussed its proposed 2006 2008 cash limits, nor the allocation of its 2006 budget, and until such time it would be inappropriate for me to comment on how the proposed net changes in funding for 2006 2008 will be allocated to meet the Committee's priorities for Education, Sport and Culture' which includes Highlands College.