

2.3 The Deputy of St. John of the Chief Minister regarding Voluntary redundancy (V.R.) packages:

Would the Chief Minister inform Members how many public employees received V.R. (Voluntary Redundancy) packages as part of the recent scheme and whether any of these have now reached retirement age, and, if so, would he advise why these employees were granted Voluntary Redundancy?

Senator T.A. Le Sueur (The Chief Minister):

Of the 282 applications for Voluntary Redundancy at the time of the general invitation for Voluntary Redundancy in the summer of last year a total of 80 were approved after thorough evaluation. None of those employees whose applications were not approved have now reached normal retirement age.

The Deputy of St. John:

I thank the Minister for his reply, Sir.

The Bailiff:

We now come to question 3, which Deputy Power will ask of the Minister for Planning and Environment.

Deputy S. Power:

I think that question has been withdrawn, because the Minister is not here.

The Bailiff:

Very well, thank you. Then we come to question 3, which I will try again, which the Deputy of St. Mary will ask of the Chief Minister, but he is not here. Very well. We will come to question 4, which Deputy Le Claire will ask of the Minister for Transport and Technical Services.