WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION AND LIFELONG LEARNING BY DEPUTY M.B. ANDREWS OF ST HELIER NORTH QUESTION SUBMITTED ON MONDAY 10th MARCH 2025 ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON MONDAY 17th MARCH 2025

Ouestion

"Will the Minister advise what work, if any, has been undertaken to specifically notify university graduates of job opportunities available within Jersey in their respective fields of expertise; and, if no work has been carried out, will the Minister pursue this matter, and if not, why not?"

Answer

The Skills Jersey's Careers Guidance team deliver Post 18 Options workshops and Jersey Labour Market Information workshops to students prior to them leaving for University. In these workshops students are shown where to look for internship and graduate opportunities, such as the <u>Internships, Work Experience and Local Opportunities webpage on Gov.je.</u>

Jersey students studying overseas can subscribe to receive the undergraduate newsletter <u>Connected</u> that is sent out by Skills Jersey 3 times a year. This is sent to undergraduates and those who have graduated in the past three years and have signed up to receive recruitment opportunities. This includes current on-island opportunities, open days and career guidance opportunities and all are encouraged to follow Skills Jersey social media to receive on-island opportunities. E-shots are also regularly sent throughout the year with job opportunities from local businesses, direct marketed to those studying for, or with, relevant degrees. <u>Example 1</u> / <u>Example 2</u> / <u>Example 3</u>

A further development in 2024 was the launch of <u>Jersey Connections</u> network, a platform designed for Jersey's diaspora community, including undergraduates and graduates living in the UK and beyond. The network aims to share insights into island life, training opportunities, and general events. In the future, Jersey Connections also intends to expand its focus to actively sharing employment opportunities, ensuring that both members and their wider networks can easily access and distribute relevant links.

Skills Mentoring is also available to undergraduates and graduates, to support them in identifying vacancies and opportunities in the industry they are looking to join in Jersey, whether for holiday work or on return to Jersey after completion of studies.