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 10th MAY 2005

Question

Would the President provide members with full details of the proposed post-19 educational provision included as a growth item with funding of $\pounds 1.3$ million for the resource period 2006 to 2008?

Answer

The figures quoted in the Jersey Evening Post on 27th April 2005, for growth in States Committees' budgets for the period 2006 to 2008 are proposals following a recent meeting of Committee Presidents. The proposals are based on impacts and risks identified by officers and have not yet been considered, or accepted, by Committees.

The £1.3 million relates to full and part time post 19 courses and represents the shortfall between the current funding and projections for 2006. In order to fund existing provision, the Education, Sport and Culture Committee is already making up part of the current shortfall from within its 2005 cash limit.

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.