

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE CHIEF MINISTER
BY DEPUTY S. PITMAN OF ST. HELIER
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 3rd NOVEMBER 2009**

Question

“Would the Chief Minister inform States Members what qualifications and experience those Ministers he successfully nominated possess for their specific roles?”

Answer

In nominating Ministers, I considered those with proven ability in the States or in previous activities, and leadership either at Ministerial, Assistant Ministerial, States or Parish level or any previous experience as a Committee President or Vice President. Alongside these qualities, I also considered individuals' knowledge, strength of character and drive.

I believe that subsequent events have demonstrated the quality and strengths of the Ministerial team, the appointment of which was ultimately a decision made by a majority of States Members, not just myself.