

**WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE CHIEF MINISTER BY
THE DEPUTY OF ST. MARTIN
ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 30th JUNE 2009**

Question

Would the Chief Minister advise the Assembly of the total number of staff, by Department, who were suspended as a result of disciplinary infractions since 1st January 2009 and, in each case, identify the employee group concerned, the period of suspension, the means of disposal of the case and, in those cases where the time between the suspension date and the disciplinary hearing was greater than the eight weeks recommended by the States Employment Board, the reason for the extension?

Would the Chief Minister advise the Assembly of the total number of staff who were suspended during the period 2006 to 2009, and who remain suspended, identifying in each case the employee group concerned, the period of suspension and the reason why the employee remains suspended?

Answer

- 1 The number of employees suspended as a result of disciplinary infractions since 1st January 2009 is reproduced below:

Dept.	Employee Pay Group	Suspension Commenced	Suspension Finished	Method of Disposal
EDD	Civil Servant	11/02/2009	04/03/2009	Disciplined
ESC	Teacher	07/05/2009	16/06/2009	Disciplined
HSS	Nurses & Midwives	14/01/2009	28/01/2009	Disciplined
HSS	Residential Child Care Officers	23/01/2009	Ongoing	Ongoing
HSS	Doctors & Dentists	02/02/2009	Ongoing	Ongoing
HSS	Nurses & Midwives	23/03/2009	29/04/2009	Disciplined

The table shows that there have been 6 employees suspended as a result of disciplinary infractions since 1st January 2009.

Of the 6 employees suspended, 4 were dealt within the 8 week period recommended by the States Employment Board.

The 2 remaining employees who have been suspended for longer than the recommended 8 week period are subject to police investigation.

- 2 The number of employees who have been suspended during the period 2006 to June 2009 and who remain suspended is reproduced below:-

Dept.	Employee Pay Group	Suspension Commenced	Reason
HSS	Doctors & Dentists	18/10/2006	Police investigation now complete. Currently

HSS	Civil Servant	12/06/2008	pending disciplinary action
HSS	Health Care Asst.	01/12/2008	Police investigation now completed. Currently awaiting decision regarding potential disciplinary action
HSS	RCCO	23/01/2009	Police investigation ongoing
HSS	Doctors & Dentists	02/02/2009	Police investigation ongoing

Note: Both parts of this answer do not relate to Police Officers, who are office holders, and for whom the Home Affairs Minister is responsible