WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR EDUCATION, SPORT AND CULTURE BY DEPUTY G.P. SOUTHERN OF ST. HELIER ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 30th JUNE 2009

Question

Will the Minister inform members of the number of secondary teaching vacancies advertised by his department for September 2009 listed by subject area along with the numbers of applicants for these posts? Will he further state whether applicants were fully qualified secondary teachers in the subjects required and whether applicants were locally qualified, UK graduates or other nationalities? How many vacancies remain unfilled?

Answer

The Department has advertised 18 vacancies either in the Jersey Evening Post or the Times Educational Supplement or both. The Department has also advertised two promoted posts internally giving a total of 20 posts.

The advertisements have attracted a total of 140 applications, all of which were from graduates, and some applicants may have applied for more than one post. 31 applicants were locally qualified (i.e. continuously resident in Jersey for a period of at least five years), one applicant was employed in a Jersey school on a J category contract, 87 applicants were from the UK, and 17 applicants were non-U.K. nationals.

11 of the 20 appointments were local appointments, eight were granted J category status, and one was granted a one year fixed term contract without a J category.

All with the exception of two local appointments were fully qualified secondary teachers in the subjects required. The two unqualified appointees were local graduates and will complete one year's training to obtain Qualified Teacher Status on Island.

No vacancies remain unfilled for September 2009.

Subject area	No. of	No. of	Locally qualified	UK	Other
	posts	Applications	applicants	Graduate	nationalities
			(see note)	applicants	applicants
Science	4	33	3	25	-
Mathematics	5	31	2	35	5
English	3	20	6	7	7
History	1	1	1	-	1
Headteacher	1	14	1	13	=
Design	1	24	8	12	4
Technology					
Drama	1	5	2	3	-
Music	1	3	1	2	-
Learning Support	1	4	4	-	-
Modern Foreign	1	2	2	=	=
Language					
Girls PE	1	3	2	1	-

Note: This figure consists of the 31 applicants who have been continuously resident in Jersey for a period of at least five years, together with the one applicant employed in a Jersey school on a J category contract.