## WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR HOME AFFAIRS BY DEPUTY T.M. PITMAN OF ST. HELIER ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 17th JANUARY 2012

## Question

As a part of the Historic Abuse Inquiry did the investigators research and consequently obtain a full list of all individuals who were, at any time, on the Board of Governors of Haut De La Garenne (whether in paid or purely voluntary roles) under each of the various authorities under which the facility operated during the period of investigation?

Were all those individuals still living subsequently interviewed and, if so, will the Minister provide Members with a full list of those interviewed or advise where such information can be viewed?

## Answer

The Historic Abuse Inquiry was a comprehensive investigation with a focus on securing evidence from alleged victims and where possible, then seeking corroborative evidence from a range of sources – including all individuals who may have had some form of association with Haut De La Garenne and may have been able to provide evidential witness evidence.

Regrettably, due to the lack of records, it was neither possible or in fact was not an active line of investigation in identifying previous Boards of Governors. This was an intelligence led enquiry and where identified and considered to be of evidential value, all individuals associated with Haut De La Garenne were traced and interviewed.

The States of Jersey Police hold a full record of all individuals interviewed as part of this inquiry (either as suspects or witnesses) but the identification and interview of previous Boards of Governors was not an active investigative strategy per se.