WRITTEN QUESTION TO THE MINISTER FOR ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BY DEPUTY M.R. HIGGINS OF ST. HELIER ANSWER TO BE TABLED ON TUESDAY 5th JULY 2011

Question

Will the Minister advise the States whether:

- (a) the Air Traffic Controller employed by Jersey Airport who failed his local radar validation is still employed at Jersey Airport and, if so, in what capacity and salary;
- (b) the baggage consultant employed by Jersey Airport whose work was taken over by, or superseded by, Capita Symonds is still employed at Jersey airport and if so in what capacity and salary;

and, if so, justify the continued employment of these individuals when they are not doing the jobs for which they were employed?

Answer

(a) The air traffic controller you refer to, who has previously been the subject of a States question, is in discussion with Jersey Airport management over his future. It would not be appropriate to discuss the details of this matter during current negotiations other than to say that both parties, with union involvement are working towards an appropriate and acceptable outcome.

The air traffic control officer is an ATCO 2 grade 6 salary.

(b) The external resource you refer to, who has previously been the subject of a States question, was appointed by Jersey Airport in 2010 to act on our behalf in support of a number of initiatives for which he has the required knowledge and experience. These included changes to the hold baggage system as well as renegotiations and renewals of service level agreements with our ground handlers. He was appointed on a fixed term one-year basis, for a fee of £65,000. This contract is due to finish on 31 August 2011 and will not be renewed.