



States of
Guernsey

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Use of 'Rule 56'

Request for information:

Given the interest in rule 56 – accountability of officers – I'd like to know how many times since the 2015 resolution that principal committees have 'lost confidence' in a senior officer and how many have been moved on to other committees as a result? Can you detail in each case which committee was involved and when it happened and which post it was? Now I appreciate there will be some sensitivity here re. staff, but I would also like to know who it was if it has happened – the basis for that is that the States will announce who has been appointed to senior positions, so if they have been moved, there is a public interest in that.

Response:

There have been no instances to date where any action has been taken regarding the role of a senior officer through the invocation of rule 56. Any instances where there have been difficulties in the relationship between senior officers and political members or committees, have been handled through managerial processes.