

Corporate Services Finance Sub-Panel

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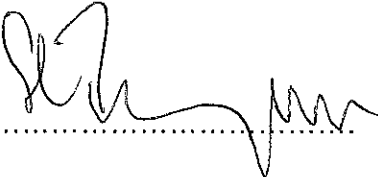
Date: 18th March 2009

Meeting 1

Present	Senator S.C. Ferguson, Chairman Connétable D.J. Murphy. Deputy R. G. Le Hérisssier. Deputy S. Pitman.
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Mr M. Robbins, Scrutiny Officer

Ref Back	Agenda matter	Action
	<p>1. Election of Vice Chairman</p> <p>The Sub-Panel elected Connétable D.J. Murphy to the post of Vice-Chairman.</p>	
	<p>2. Remit and objectives.</p> <p>The Sub-Panel noted that the Corporate Services Panel had previously scrutinised the forecasting of income and reported on this in report S.R. 13/2008.</p> <p>A discussion took place regarding areas such as Education, Health, Police expenditure, and underspend returning to consolidated budget. It was agreed that the Sub-Panel needed to understand how the business plan was created at the moment.</p> <p>Due to the huge budget belonging to the Health Department, the Sub-Panel agreed the writing of another letter to the Health, Social Security and Housing Scrutiny Panel, to confirm how important the Sub-Panel considered it was to have a representative from that Panel.</p> <p>The Sub-Panel agreed that it wished to examine Forecasting of Expenditure as its first review. The Sub-Panel required a briefing from the Comptroller and Auditor General, Mr C. Swinston. Once the Sub-Panel had received its briefing, scoping and drafting of Terms of Reference could take place.</p> <p>This review would be completed by July.</p>	MR
	<p>3. Meeting Schedule</p> <p>The following meeting time and dates were agreed:</p> <p>09.30 am Thursday 2nd April 2009. 09.30 am Thursday 23rd April 2009. 09.30 am Thursday 14th May 2009. 09.30 am Thursday 4th June 2009. The Venue was to be arranged.</p>	MR

	<p>4. Advisor</p> <p>The requirement of an advisor was agreed. The Sub-Panel was of the opinion that the previous Finance Sub-Panel has used the services of Professor M. Oliver and that this had been very successful. Professor Oliver held a specific working knowledge of the issues and the requirements of Scrutiny. He would be ideal to brief the Sub-Panel on the history. The Sub-Panel was minded that 20 days work between now and the end of the year would be a reasonable estimate of the engagement and therefore Professor Oliver would be suitable. Due to the requirements contained within Financial Direction No.5, any further requirement would require a review of the contract with options of another advisor considered. Arrangements were to be made for a standard contract to be completed.</p> <p>The Sub-Panel considered a briefing from Professor Oliver would be appropriate as soon as possible.</p>	<p>MR</p> <p>MR</p>
	<p>5. Member Details</p> <p>Contact details of all Sub-Panel Members was to be circulated to Sub-Panel Members</p>	<p>MR</p>

Signed.....

Senator S. c. Ferguson,
Chairman.

Date.....02.10.09.....