

## Environment Scrutiny Panel

### PUBLIC MEETING

#### Record of Meeting

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Date: **Thursday 24th May 2007**

Meeting Number: **47**

Present	Deputy R.C. Duhamel (Chairman) (RD) Connétable K. A. Le Brun of St Mary (KB) Connétable A. S. Crowcroft (SC) Deputy P. V. F. Le Claire.(PLC)
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Mr M. Robbins. (Scrutiny Officer)

Ref Back	Agenda matter	Action
<b>1.</b>	<b>Minutes of Previous Meetings</b>  Minutes of the meeting of 10 <sup>th</sup> May 2007 were approved and signed by the Chairman.  RD. KB. SC. PLC.	
<b>2.</b>	<b>Action Updates</b>  The Panel noted the updates from the previous meetings.  RD. KB. SC. PLC.	
<b>3</b>  Item 3 10/05/07	<b>Design of Homes</b>  The Panel decided that a meeting to discuss the Design of Homes Review should take place and this was to take place at 09.30 am on Thursday 31 <sup>st</sup> May 2007 in the Le Capelain Room. As this was a working meeting it was to be private. It was understood that there may be problems with the Panels normal officers being available. If they were not, the meeting would take place without an officer with the decisions being reported back.  RD. KB. SC. PLC.	Panel
<b>4.</b>  Item 4 10/05/07	<b>Waste</b>  The Panel received an oral report from the Chairman that the second part of the waste report was being drafted.	

	<p>The Panel noted large penalties levied in the United Kingdom for failing to reach recycling targets.</p> <p>The Panel was advised that the Chairman had been involved with an article on recycling to be published in the magazine 24/7.</p> <p>The Panel noted a report relating to a meeting between their Officer and Transport and Technical Services Recycling Officer. It noted with particular interest, the creation of a new recycling facility at Bellozanne.</p> <p>The Panel also noted that the Parish of St Helier has been talking to a company who want to use an autoclave to process the Parish waste and that this was to be used as a showcase for the system. It was noted that Mr John Hanley was to attend the next Panel meeting with a presentation for the Panel of the companies intentions. The Panel was to invite the Connétable of Grouville to attend that meeting.</p> <p>The Panel was advised that recently exported recyclates had been charged export duties. The Panel noted that the Parish of St Helier had not been shipping large enough quantities to attract reasonable shipping deals. The Parishes would have to work together to attract the best deals.</p> <p>RD. KB. SC. PLC</p>	MR
<p><b>5</b></p> <p>Item 5 10/05/07</p>	<p><b>Environmental Taxes</b></p> <p>The Panel noted the response from the Director of the Environment to letters to the Minister for Environment and Planning relating to proposals for environmental taxes. It was apparent that all was on hold for the present. The Panel was to keep a watching brief on this subject.</p> <p>RD. KB. SC. PLC</p>	MR
<p><b>6</b></p> <p>Item 6 10/05/07</p>	<p><b>EDAW Report,</b></p> <p>The Panel was not impressed with the consultation work done on the EDAW report. They noted that in the city of Rennes, France, a similar document had gone out to public consultation and had been subject of a display through the whole floor of a civic building covering the history and 50 years into the future. The EDAW report had a few maps on display in the Town Hall and nothing else. There was also concern over the amount of consultation that had taken place in the research phase of the report. The Panel noted omissions such as work on village identities, pedestrianization and cycle routes. A draft document was to be written by the Chairman and circulated for further comment.</p> <p>RD. KB. SC.(PLC left during this item)</p>	RD / Panel Members
<p><b>7</b></p> <p>Item 8 10/05/07</p>	<p><b>T &amp; T S and Environment &amp; Planning Business Plans</b></p> <p>The Chairman was to circulate a draft for consideration.</p>	RD

	RD. KB. PLC.	
<b>8</b>	<p><b>Supplementary Guidance – Redundant Greenhouses.</b></p> <p>The Panel welcomed Mr Tony Gottard, Principal Planner from the Planning Department. A policy document was considered which contained the premise to alter the general presumption contained within the Island Plan policy C20 from one of 'none development' on the sites of redundant or derelict greenhouses to one of 'development under certain circumstances for category A or B housing'. This caused concern for the Panel.</p> <p>The Panel thanked Mr Gottard for bringing the policy to the Panel for comment. This working relationship engendered with the Department could only be of benefit to all.</p> <p>The Panel were to consider the proposals and present its findings to Mr Gottard and the Minister for the Environment and Planning. Mr Gottard retired from the meeting.</p> <p>RD. KB. SC. PLC.</p>	MR
<b>9</b> Item 10 10/05/07	<p><b>Orchid</b></p> <p>The Panel considered that it had made its position clear to both Orchid and the Chairman's Committee in that it did not wish to spend money on Orchid. It noted that Orchid's contract concluded at the end of July and it would await the decision of the Chairman's Committee on the future of Scrutiny communications and public engagement.</p> <p>RD. KB. PLC.</p>	
<b>10</b> Item 12 10/05/07	<p><b>Ground Water Pollution at St Ouen</b></p> <p>Following a discussion on the reasons that the Panel should look at issues, the Panel required a letter from residents who were concerned about the issue of Ground Water Pollution at St Ouen.</p> <p>RD. KB. PLC.</p>	PLC
<b>11</b>	<p><b>Next Meeting</b></p> <p>The next public meeting of the Environment Scrutiny Panel was to be at 09.30 am. On Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> June 2007 in the La Capelain Room.</p> <p>RD. KB. PLC.</p>	MR
<b>12.</b> Part B Agenda 10/05/07	<p><b>Matters for next agenda</b></p> <p>The strategic Plans for the La Collette area were to be included on the next agenda.</p> <p>RD. KB. PLC</p>	MR

Signed

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Chairman  
Environment Panel