

Environment Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 8th January 2013

Meeting No: 17

Present	Deputy J. Young, Chairman Connétable P. Rondel Deputy S. Luce (Vice chairman)
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Mr. M. Orbell, Scrutiny Officer

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	<p>1. Records of meetings</p> <p>The Minutes of the meetings held on 13th November, 3rd December and 10th December were approved and signed.</p>	MO
	<p>2. Machinery of Government Review</p> <p>The Panel welcomed Deputies J. Le Fondré and G. Baudains to the meeting. The Chairman explained the background to the report of the Sub-Committee of the Privileges and Procedures Committee; the Deputies then outlined the findings of the report. This was followed by discussion of the proposals for reform. It was noted that Scrutiny was not seen as a problem, and that the report itself did not address details of how the proposals would work in practice, but focused on the principles.</p> <p>Owing to lack of time it was agreed that a further meeting to discuss this matter would be held on 10th January.</p>	MO
	<p>3. Green Street Police HQ: Parking and Traffic</p> <p>The Panel considered and agreed a draft scoping document for the proposed review. It was decided to remove references to alternative sites so that the review would focus purely on potential issues to do with parking and traffic. The Scrutiny Officer was asked to draft suitable terms of reference for early circulation and approval by Panel members. It was agreed that the aim would be to conduct the review rapidly to avoid delaying the debate on P.92/2012 if possible.</p>	MO MO
	<p>4. Le Masurier Ltd. Parkside Village Scheme</p> <p>The Panel considered a draft scoping document for a possible review of this matter. Members agreed to hold a pre-meeting at 9.00am on Thursday 10th January prior to the planned meeting with representatives of Le Masurier Ltd. It was noted that terms of reference would be needed for approval by the Chairmen's Committee if this matter was to go forward as a review, however at this point it was unclear whether Le Masurier would be content for their evidence to be placed in the public domain. It was noted that the executive summary provided in advance of the meeting referred extensively to individual officers' names, and therefore should be treated as confidential.</p>	

<p>Item 4 13.11.12</p> <p>514/16</p>	<p>5. Energy Policy</p> <p>The Panel considered a draft scoping document for a possible review of this matter. Members agreed that this could be conducted as a high level strategic review, which would help to identify specific areas of the policy that might require further work. It was decided that the Scrutiny Officer should contact the adviser commissioned by the former Environment Panel to carry out a review of the previous draft Energy Policy in 2011 before this was taken back by the department, to see if he would be interested in completing the task now that the new White Paper had been issued.</p>	<p>MO</p>
<p>Item 5 13.11.12</p> <p>514/20</p>	<p>6. Radon</p> <p>It was noted that the Scrutiny Officer would be meeting with the Director of Environment and Head of Health Protection on 15th January to discuss the radon review. The aim would then be to confirm a meeting for the Panel with the Minister for Planning and Environment and the Director of Building Control.</p>	<p>MO</p>
	<p>7. Taxi Regulation</p> <p>Members discussed recent media coverage of the taxi service which appeared to suggest that no changes to taxi regulation would take place until 2015. The Panel felt that this was unacceptable and it was agreed that the subject should be raised with the Minister for Transport and Technical Services at the next quarterly public hearing. The Scrutiny Officer was asked to check possible dates for a hearing towards the end of January.</p>	<p>MO</p>
	<p>8. Forthcoming meetings</p> <p>Private meeting with representatives of Le Masurier Ltd.: 9.30am on 10th January 2013, Blampied Room, States Building (Panel pre-meeting at 9.00am)</p> <p>Next scheduled Panel meeting: 2.00pm on 22nd January 2013, Blampied Room, States Building</p>	<p>MO</p>