Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel

PUBLIC MEETING

Record of Meeting

Date: 12th March 2009 Meeting Number: 6

Present	Connétable G. F. Butcher Deputy R. G. Le Hérissier, Chairman Deputy T. M. Pitman
	Deputy T. A. Vallois (Item 3 only)
Apologies	Deputy M. Tadier
Absent	
In attendance	Mrs. E. Liddiard, Scrutiny Officer
	Miss S. Power, Scrutiny Officer

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	1. Records of Meetings	
	The Records of the meetings of 11 th February 2009, 19 th February 2009 and 5 th March 2009 were approved and signed.	
	2. Matters Arising	
	a. The Panel noted the status of action updates from the previous meetings on the 11 th February 2009 and 19 th February 2009.	
	b. The Panel noted briefing notes of the Chairmen's Committee meeting of the 19 th February 2009.	
Item 1 05.03.09	3. Fort Regent Review	
516/16(8)	a. Expert Advisors The Panel noted receipt of two CV's from prospective advisors. The Panel requested the Officers to research additional avenues of enquiry and report back at the earliest opportunity.	EL
	b. Public Meetings (i) The Panel requested the Officers to establish availability at Fort Regent for a Public Meeting on Wednesday 6 th May 2009, 7.00pm–9.00pm. The Panel agreed to provisionally arrange a second public meeting at either St John's Parish Hall or recreation centre and further requested Connétable Butcher to confirm availability of this facility for Wednesday 20 th May 2009.	EL GB
	(ii) Members agreed the structure of the meeting should incorporate a short presentation from the Minister for Education, Sport and Culture, as well as presentations from a relevant stakeholder and/or interest group. Members further agreed the role of the Scrutiny Panel would be to steer the meeting and ensure that the majority of time was given to enable the Public to make contributions.	
	c. Public Hearings (i) The Panel suggested the following dates for Public Hearings;	

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	Monday 20 th April 2009, Wednesday 22 nd April 2009, Monday 27 th April 2009 and Tuesday 5 th May 2009.	EL
	(ii) The Panel requested the Officers to draft an invitation to witnesses to attend a Public Hearing.	
	d. Fact Finding Visits	
	(i) The Panel requested the Officers to arrange a fact finding visit to Fort Regent on Wednesday 8 th April 2009 at 11.30am. The Panel further requested that the visit include a meeting with the Assistant Director of the Sport and Leisure Division as well as the Manager of the Fort Regent Facility.	EL
	(ii) The Panel discussed potential fact finding visits to alternative locations. Members requested the Officers to search for facilities such as those which have undergone a change in use and those with a multi use aspect.	EL
	e. Advertising	
Hors O	The Panel requested Officers to source costs for placing an advert about the review on Channel 103.	EL
Item 2 05.03.09	4. Prison Board of Visitors	
	The Panel noted an update from the first meeting of the Sub-Panel for	
516/17(8)	the Prison Board of Visitors review held on 11 th March 2009, which included the following:	
	a. The Sub-Panel had agreed to hold Public Hearings during the mornings of the 25 th and 26 th March 2009, and requested for the following witnesses to be invited to attend public hearings: Mr R Pittman Prison Board of Visitors Minister for Home Affairs, to be accompanied by Mr B Millar, Governor, HMP La Moye	SP
	b. The Sub-Panel agreed it wished to undertake a fact-finding visit to	SP
	HMP La Moye for this review on Tuesday 17 th March 2009.	
	c. The Chairman expressed that he would like to join the Sub-Panel for this visit.	
Item 15 11.02.09	5. Strategic Plan	
	The Panel agreed to meet on 9 th April 2009, 9.30am – 2.00pm, to discuss the second draft of the Strategic Plan. The Panel noted that the deadline for any amendments to be lodged was 19 th May 2009.	
	6. Waterfront Pool	
	The Panel noted a response from the Minister for Education, Sport and Culture, with regard to its query about the budget transfers for the Waterfront Pool.	
510/1(4)	7. Scrutiny Advertising	
	a. The Panel noted receipt of information relating to procedures for advertising in the JEP, using IdeaWorks. The Panel expressed concerns with the delays experienced while using IdeaWorks and the difficulties when requesting for artwork away from the standard template. The Panel requested that the Scrutiny Manager monitor this	KTF

	situation.	
	b. The Panel noted information received from Channel 103 regarding	
	Advertising.	
	c. The Panel discussed the benefit of holding public meetings in rural parishes to help raise awareness of reviews.	
510/1(15)	8. Travel and Subsistence Policy	
	The Panel noted receipt of the Scrutiny Travel and Subsistence Policy.	
	The Chairman reminded the Panel that a receipt was needed when	
513/20(8)	making a claim. 9. Corporate Services - Finance Sub-Panel Membership	
513/20(6)	9. Corporate Services - Finance Sub-Panel Wembership	
	The Panel considered the invitation from the Corporate Services Panel	
	for a member of the Education and Home Affairs Panel to join the	
	Finance Sub-Panel, and agreed that Deputy Le Hérissier would be	
	nominated for this role.	
510/1(3)	10. Questioning Skills Training	
-	The Panel noted the paper outlining the arrangements for the	
	questioning skills training on Friday 12th June 2009. The Chairman	
	gave his apologies for not being able to attend this training.	
	11. Forthcoming Propositions	
	The Panel noted the following item of draft levislation within 11	
	The Panel noted the following item of draft legislation within its remit lodged <i>au Greffe</i> for debate by the States on 31 st March 2009:	
	Police Complaints and Discipline: extension to Honorary Officers	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *
	conducting Parish Hall Enquiries (P30/2009/).	
	12. Ministerial Decisions	
	The Panel noted receipt of recent Ministerial Decisions pertinent to the	
	Panel's remit. 13. Questions to Ministers	
	The Panel noted that the Minister for Social Security and the Chief	
	Minister would be taking questions without notice at the States sitting of	
	24 th March 2009.	
	14. Any Other Business	
	Education, Sport and Culture - Public Hearing 6 th March 2009	
	The Panel noted receipt of the following documents received from the	
	Minister for Education, Sport and Culture at the Public Hearing on	
	Friday 6 th March 2009:	
	Management structure of the Youth Service Outdoor Education 2000 Puring and Plant	
	Outdoor Education 2009 Business Plan Sports Development 2009 Business Plan	
	 Sports Development 2009 Business Plan Community Development (Sport) Development Plan 	
	2009	
	The Panel recalled that at the Public Hearing on 6 th March 2009 it had	
	discussed the department's service level agreements with the Jersey	
	Arts Trust and Jersey Heritage Trust. The Panel requested the Officers	EL/SP
	to circulate the relevant section of the transcript from the Public Hearing	
	on 6 th March 2009, when it had been sent to the Scrutiny Office.	
	15. Future Meetings	
	The Panel noted that the next Panel Meeting would be on Wednesday	
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8th April 2009 in Blampied Room, States Building at 9.30am.

The Panel requested the Officers to arrange the Quarterly Public Hearing with the Minister for Home Affairs, currently scheduled at 11.30am on 8th April 2009, be brought forward to 9.30am. The Panel further requested the Officers to draft a question plan in preparation for this meeting.

Date:

Signed

Chairman

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