

Health, Social Security and Housing Scrutiny Panel
Social Housing Property Plan Sub-Panel

PUBLIC SESSION

Record of Meeting

Date: Wednesday 14th February 2007

Meeting number: 2

Location: Le Capelain Room, States Building

Present	Deputy S Power Deputy A. Breckon Deputy R le Hérissier Connétable G Butcher Connétable S Yates
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	M Orbell, Scrutiny Officer

Ref Back	Agenda matter	Action
	<p>1. Minutes</p> <p>The minutes of the meeting held on 02.02.07 were approved.</p>	
	<p>2. Matters Arising</p> <p>a) It was noted that the Housing Minister had moved the date for debating the Social Housing Property Plan proposition to 17/04/07. This was felt to be unrealistic in terms of the time needed to complete a thorough review on an important issue. It was agreed that a letter should be sent from the main Panel to the Housing Minister and his Deputy giving reasons why the debate should be put back to a later date.</p> <p>b) Members received the amended TOR and scoping documents.</p> <p>c) The meeting was informed of contacts made with potential advisers to date.</p> <p>d) It was noted that the initial request for information from the Housing Department appeared to have met with an adverse reaction. It was agreed that wherever practical alternative sources would be used to avoid creating unnecessary work for Housing officers, but some information could only come from the Department.</p> <p>e) A call for evidence at this point was thought to be premature.</p>	AB
	<p>3. Administrative Matters</p> <p>a) Members received background information and submissions files.</p> <p>b) An outline for the review was discussed. It was agreed that the report should include sections on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Historical perspective • Financial and budget analysis • Appraisal of the Plan to include the proposed shared 	

	<p>equity scheme</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Analysis of Appendices D1 & D2 • Possible case studies of developments in comparable parts of UK <p>c) It was agreed that the Chairman and officers would produce a Gant chart for the review.</p> <p>d) The Sub-Panel will seek clarification from Treasury as to whether an exemption from guidelines in P.A.C. 1/2007 regarding proceeds from the sale of capital assets has been or will be granted in respect of the Social Housing Property Plan.</p> <p>e) It was suggested that a questionnaire sent out within a Housing newsletter might raise concerns about confidentiality amongst tenants. It was agreed that this would be considered in compiling the questions which will be brought back to the next meeting. Questions will need input from the Statistics Unit.</p> <p>f) Members agreed to review the Plan before the next meeting and identify items needing closer investigation. These could be referred to officers in advance of the meeting for collation. Members to be reminded of this one week in advance of the meeting.</p> <p>It was agreed to invite the Housing Minister, Deputy Minister and officers at his discretion to meet with the Sub-Panel as soon as possible. Three possible dates were proposed for his convenience. Venue to be Blampied or Le Capelain Room.</p> <p>The Sub-Panel requested that officers seek confirmation from the Department of the time taken to prepare the Social Housing Property Plan and when it was referred to the Corporate Management Board and the Council Of Ministers.</p>	<p>SP/MO/CA</p> <p>AB</p> <p>SP/MO/CA</p> <p>MO/CA</p> <p>MO</p> <p>MO</p>
	<p>4. Meeting Dates</p> <p>The next meeting was agreed for Wednesday 28th February at 12.00am. Room to be confirmed.</p>	<p>MO</p>

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Deputy S Power
Chairman
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