

Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 21 October 2013

Meeting No: 40

Present	Deputy J. M. Maçon, Chairman Connétable M. P. S. Le Troquer, Vice Chairman Deputy M. Tadier Deputy G. Southern
In attendance	M. Haden, Scrutiny Officer

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	<p>1. Minutes</p> <p>The Minutes of the meetings held on 30th September 2013 were approved and signed.</p>	
<p>Item 5 30.09.13 516/1(51)</p>	<p>2. Quarterly hearing with Minister for Education, Sport and Culture</p> <p>The Panel received the Minister for Education Sport and Culture, together with the Director of Education, Head of Careers and Learning Support and Manager, Trackers Apprenticeship Scheme.</p> <p>The Panel discussed the following issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trackers Apprenticeship scheme • Options to provide additional capacity in Town Primary Schools • Higher Education funding <p>The Panel also discussed the following issues in private:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposals for a new Secondary School to replace Les Quennevais • The review of Maths curriculum 	
	<p>3. Topic proposal: Review of Education Department's investigation of incident at Le Rocquier School</p> <p>The Panel considered a request to investigate the manner in which the Education Department had dealt with an incident at Le Rocquier School in which a student had been injured as a result of a teacher discharging a starting pistol.</p> <p>The Panel was mindful that the Scrutiny Code of Practice precluded any involvement in a disciplinary case (7.14) or a matter which fell within a complaints procedure (7.11). The incident, though serious, was not in itself evidence of a systematic failure of a policy by the Department, leading to the exposure of students to continued danger. Moreover, the matter had already been taken up by an independent States member who had asked a series of questions in the States Assembly.</p> <p>The Panel agreed to inform the proposer that unless there was</p>	

	evidence of systematic failure by the department in the conduct of child protection cases, it was unable to intervene in this matter.	
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