

Environment Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 13th January 2011

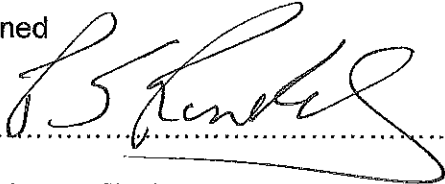
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| Present | Deputy P Rondel (Chairman) (PR) Connétable J Refault (JR) Deputy D Wimberley (Vice Chairman) (DW) |
| In attendance | M Orbell, Scrutiny Officer |

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| | <p>1. Record of meeting</p> <p>The Minutes of the meeting held on 10th December 2010 were approved and signed.</p> | MO |
| <p>25.11.10 Item 3 514/14(8)</p> | <p>2. Protecting our Marine Environment</p> <p>The Panel received an oral update following the visit of its adviser to the Island on 10th-11th January. Owing to unexpectedly large amounts of data collected the review was generating more work than anticipated and it was expected that a draft report would be ready in 3-4 weeks. The Panel agreed to increase its budget for the review by £5,000 to cover additional costs associated with the extra work.</p> | MO |
| <p>13.12.10 Item 4 514/18(8)</p> | <p>3. Speed Limits Policy: proposition P.167/2010</p> <p>Panel members received a draft scoping document for a review of the revised speed limits policy. It was agreed that the Chairman would ask the Minister for Transport and Technical Services if he was prepared to delay the debate on P.167/2010 to permit the Panel to carry out a review. Members were unanimous that a review was needed and failing a deferment the Chairman would ask the States to refer the matter to Scrutiny on 18th January.</p> | |
| <p>13.12.10 Item 5 514/15(8)</p> | <p>4. Draft Island Plan - Independent Examination in Public</p> <p>The Panel discussed options for commenting on the process of the examination in public. It was agreed that any comments should wait until the Minister's response to the Inspector's final report was available. It was felt that wider consultation with members of the public and stakeholders who had attended the examination hearings was unlikely to be profitable as it would not provide objective evidence, but might encourage people who had not been successful in their submissions to criticise the process in an attempt to discredit the Inspectors' decisions.</p> <p>From their experience of the hearings Members felt that arrangements could have been improved if departmental representations had been heard first, before public submissions, and the Inspectors had summed up after each session. As it was, representatives of States departments effectively had the last word on every item. This was clearly unpopular with some participants; members agreed that the issue should be raised in the Panel's comments on the process.</p> | MO |

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| | 5. Annual Report Members were advised that the Panel pages for the Annual Report were still being drafted and would be circulated for approval by email. | MO |
| | 6. Matters for Information Forthcoming Meetings: Next scheduled Panel meeting: Blampied Room, Thurs 10 th February at 8.00am. | |

Signed



Date:

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Chairman, Environment Panel