

Environment Scrutiny Panel

PUBLIC MEETING

Record of Meeting

Date: **22nd February 2007.**

Meeting Number: **41**

Present	Deputy R.C. Duhamel (Chairman) (RD) Connétable K. A. Le Brun of St Mary (KB) Deputy S. Power (SP)
Apologies	Deputy P. V. F. Le Claire.(PLC)
Absent	
In attendance	Mr M. Robbins. Scrutiny Officer.(MR)

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1	<p>Membership</p> <p>a) The Panel welcomed Deputy P. V. F. Le Claire and noted his apologies.</p> <p>b) The Panel noted the resignation of Deputy G.C.L. Baudains (Vice Chairman) and accepted the nomination of Connétable A. S. Crowcroft.</p> <p>c) The Panel approved Connétable K. A. Le Brun of St Mary as Vice Chairman.</p> <p>RD. KB. SP.</p>	
2.	<p>Minutes</p> <p>The Panel approved the minutes of the 18th, 22nd, 25th January and 2nd February 2007 subject to minor typographical amendments.</p> <p>RD. KB. SP.</p>	
3	<p>Matters arising.</p> <p>From item 1 of the minutes of 22nd January 2007 concerns were expressed at the proposed sale of the Old Ladies College site in the amount of £1.8 million, which was considered unacceptable. It was noted that the Chairman would advise the States that he considered the property was worth approximately £3.8 to £5.8 Million including the front of the building. This estimate was based on the current house prices.</p> <p>RD. KB. SP.</p>	RD

<p>4</p>	<p>Items to note.</p> <p>a) Projet 13/2007. Deep ground Water: La Rocque and St Catherine Boreholes -The Panel noted that the projet had subsequently been replaced by P22/2007 and it decided to discuss the matter with Deputy Baudains as the author. The Panel would reconsider the issue subsequent to that discussion;</p> <p>b) Advertisement from Planning and Environment on Café Cyril relating to ground water monitoring - The Panel agreed that a letter should be written to the Department of Transport and Technical Services, asking why the matter had only been advertised on Café Cyril.</p> <p>Recycling in St Mary and St Lawrence- It was suggested that the removal of recyclables from new bring banks by the Transport and Technical Services Department in St Mary's and St Lawrence was not an appropriate precedent as TTS would benefit from any income stream generated. The Panel was unaware of the disposal route for the recyclables collected in the banks. Members accepted that the people of both the Parishes wanted to see initiatives for recycling and were happy to see these banks in location. The Panel considered its visit to the Her Majesties Prison, La Moye on 12th December and required that the Prison Governor was contacted in relation to the letter he is to write to the Panel about recycling in the Prison.</p> <p>c)</p> <p>RD. KB. SP.</p>	<p>Panel</p> <p>MR</p> <p>MR</p>
<p>5 Item 3 25/01/07</p>	<p>Business plans from Transport and Technical Services and Planning and Environment.</p> <p>The Panel agreed that parts of the Transport and Technical Services business plan required its consideration. The following areas would be considered -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Solid Waste, • Liquid Waste and • Transport <p>Coastal defences would require consideration although it was recognised that the subject was low priority due to available resources, the subject would be revisited at a later date.</p> <p>The Panel noted the following issues as potential areas for Scrutiny</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The awaited EDAW Report on the regeneration of St Helier • the Energy Policy, • Environmental Taxes, • Development of Rural Economic Strategy, • Sustainability of La Collette 2 and • Safety of the La Collette area. 	<p>MR</p>

	<p>The appropriate response to the plans would be drafted by the Chairman.</p> <p>RD. KB. SP.</p>	RD / MR
<p>6 Item 3 25/01/07</p>	<p>Integrated Travel and Transport Plan.</p> <p>The Panel decided that the importance of this was such that a separate meeting was to be convened. That was arranged for 9.30 am on Thursday 1st March (dependant on the States not sitting) in the Blampied Room.</p> <p>RD.KB.SP.</p>	Panel / MR
<p>7</p>	<p>Work Program for 2007</p> <p>The Panel required a paper to be prepared based on its decisions of the current meeting and that of 1st March 2007.</p> <p>RD.KB.SP.</p>	MR
<p>8</p>	<p>Chairman's Meeting</p> <p>The Panel noted the briefing notes of the last Chairman's' meeting and agreed to the Environment Panel draft position paper for the next Chairman's meeting.</p> <p>RD.KB.SP.</p>	MR
<p>9</p>	<p>"An Inconvenient Truth."</p> <p>The Panel considered a proposition to bring over a film called An Inconvenient Truth, which dealt with global warming. It considered showing the film to be a positive move but noted that it was not a scrutiny function. It would be more appropriate to invite the Ecology Fund to show the film. The Panel also noted that the film was shown at the Planet Jersey Exhibition run by the Transport and Technical Services Department at the Royal Jersey Agricultural and Horticultural Society Building in Trinity over the 9th and 10th February 2007.</p> <p>RD.KB.SP.</p>	MR
<p>10</p>	<p>First Twelve Months of Ministerial Government</p> <p>The Panel elected to discuss this at the meeting now arranged for 1st March.</p> <p>RD.KB.SP.</p>	Panel
<p>11</p>	<p>Scrutiny Newsletter</p> <p>The Panel discussed concerns about the advisability and content of the newsletter production. However, the Panel decided that as</p>	

	<p>the magazine was to be printed, it would contribute. The Panel would outline who its members were along with an article on each of the reviews. There would be no profile on any one individual member. The lead members of each of the reviews would arrange an entry relating to that. There were to be no photographs included.</p> <p>RD. KB. SP.</p>	RD/SP/ MR
12	<p>Ends Report Subscription</p> <p>The Panel accepted the principle that it would be in the interests of the Panel to subscribe to the 'Ends Report'. Enquiries were to be made to establish if the magazine was available from other States Departments prior to the subscription being taken. In the event that the Panel was unable to raise a copy and supporting electronic access, the subscription should be taken out prior to the end of the special offer which closes at the end of February 2007. The Panel authorised £429.00 for the subscription.</p> <p>RD. KB. SP.</p>	MR
13	<p>Future Meetings</p> <p>The Panel noted the next meeting on Thursday 8th March 2007 at 9.30 am in the Le Capelain Room, States Building.</p> <p>RD. KB. SP.</p>	
14	<p>Design of Homes</p> <p>The Panel noted a submission from Jane Denny and received an oral presentation from Deputy Power relating to the Vienna Visit.</p> <p>RD. KB. SP.</p>	
15	<p>Waste</p> <p>Members received the first draft of the first section of the Waste report.</p> <p>At 1350 The Panel became inquorate and concluded its meeting.</p> <p>RD. KB. SP.</p>	

Signed

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Chairman

Deputy R.C. Duhamel