

Health Social Security and Housing Scrutiny Panel

Income Support Sub-Panel

Record of Meeting


Date: 23rd February 2009

Meeting Number: 6

Present	Deputy G.P. Southern, Chairman Deputy D.J. De Sousa Deputy T. Vallois
Apologies	Connétable S.A. Yates
In attendance	Reverend G. Houghton, Advisor Mr. E. Le Quesne, Advisor C. Le Quesne, Scrutiny Officer

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	<p>1. Minutes</p> <p>The Sub-Panel approved and signed the following minutes</p> <p>10th February 2009; and, 16th February 2009.</p>	
10.02.09 Item 6.9	<p>2. Radio Advertising - Call for evidence</p> <p>The Sub-Panel listened to the adverts and were recalled that at its previous meeting it had decided that it would use Channel 103 advertising to call for further evidence for its review.</p> <p>The Sub-Panel considered two scripts and noted the approximate costs, the draft scripts were approved subject to some minor amendments. The officer was directed to take the necessary action.</p>	CLQ
	<p>3. Administration</p> <p>The Sub-Panel received the following -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">a) submissions to date together with an updated index;b) action updates;c) the transcripts from the Public Hearing of 9th February 2009 and,d) a timetable and question plans for the Public Hearing on the 27th February 2009.	

	<p>4. Public Hearing</p> <p>The Sub-Panel received evidence from the following -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) Mr. F. Le Gresley, Citizens Advice Bureau; (ii) Connétable S. Crowcroft, St. Helier; (iii) Reverend P. Wilcox, Prison Chaplain; and, (iv) Mr. J. Hodge, Shelter Trust. <p>Some of the key issues raised were as follows -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Client privacy - clients should not have to request privacy when discussing private information it should be a default position; • Time scales for completion • Dentistry (need to obtain 2 quotes before clients can proceed with emergency dental treatment) • Advocacy - the need for some people to be accompanied as a result of the process being so complicated. 	
	<p>5. Future meetings</p> <p>The next meeting would be a Public Hearing on Friday 27th February 2009 in the Le Capelain Room.</p>	

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Deputy G. P. Southern
Chairman

Date 17th March 2009