

Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Meeting by electronic mail

Date: 23rd July 2015

Present	Deputy S.J. Brée, Vice-Chairman Connétable C.H. Taylor Deputy K.C. Lewis
Apologies	Deputy J.A.N. Le Fondré, Chairman
Absent	
In attendance	Mr W. Millow, Scrutiny Officer

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Item 5 13.07.15	<p>1. Public Sector Pension Reform (PECRS)</p> <p>The Panel received a revised Scoping Document for its review of proposed changes to public sector pension provision. The Panel recalled that, subsequent to its previous discussions on this matter, advice would be sought from the Greffier of the States on the proposed contractual arrangements with the Panel's choice of expert adviser.</p> <p>The Panel was advised that advice had been sought from the Greffier and that correspondence had consequently been undertaken with the chosen expert adviser in order to confirm the contractual arrangements that might apply to ensure that the provisions of Financial Directions were respected. The Panel was further advised that a budgetary cap was therefore proposed for the engagement of the expert adviser and that the Scoping Document had been amended to reflect this proposal.</p> <p>The Panel noted that there was a risk that a cap might effectively limit the amount of work which could be undertaken by the expert adviser. The Panel was advised that the previous experience of the chosen expert adviser would potentially mitigate that risk and would ensure that a meaningful result was obtained from the adviser's work. The Panel was further advised that not agreeing to a cap at this stage would effectively require the engagement to be subject to an open tender process.</p> <p>Taking into account the above considerations, the Panel approved the Scoping Document, as revised, and thereby agreed the budgetary cap for the engagement of an expert adviser.</p>	