

Economic Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

18th October 2017

Present	Deputy S.M. Brée, Chairman Deputy D. Johnson, Vice-Chairman Connétable J.E. Le Maistre Connétable M.J. Paddock
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Mr M. Orbell, Scrutiny Officer

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	1. Records of meetings The Minutes of the meetings held on 4th and 13th October 2017 were approved and signed.	MO
Item 2 04.10.17 515/35	2. Licensing law The Panel received an update on recent communication with the department. It was understood that the Proposition would be re-lodged shortly, probably in the next week, although the debate might not now take place until the end of January 2018. The Panel agreed that Senator P.M. Bailhache should be asked if he also intended to re-lodge his Amendment to the Proposition. The Panel's request for a meeting with the Shadow Alcohol and Licensing Policy Group (SALPG) had been passed on, and a response was awaited. It was noted that due to the size of the group it might be difficult to find a date convenient to all members, as well as the Panel and the Solicitor General. The Scrutiny Officer reported that it was also proving difficult to find a mutually convenient date for a meeting with a remaining potential witness. The Panel decided that it had sufficient evidence already, and it was agreed not to pursue any further meetings. The Panel discussed evidence received to date and identified a number of key issues. Given the Minister's responsibility for the draft Law it was agreed that a letter should be drafted to the Minister and Assistant Minister of Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture setting out the Panel's preliminary conclusions and requesting a meeting to discuss the implications, to take place prior to the meeting requested with the SALPG. The Panel welcomed the Judicial Greffier to the meeting at 10.30am.	MO MO MO
	3. Forthcoming meetings Next scheduled Panel meeting: 9.30am on 8th November 2017, Blampied Room, States Building.	