## Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel

Minutes of 8th meeting held on Thursday 23rd March 2006

Present Deputy P J D Ryan, Chairman

Senator J L Perchard Connétable J L S Gallichan

Deputy J Gallichan

Apologies Conné
In attendance Mr M I

Connétable D J Murphy Mr M Haden, Scrutiny Officer

Miss S Power, Scrutiny Officer

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1.	<b>Minutes</b> - The Panel approved the Minutes of the meeting held on 16th March 2006.			
2.	<b>Chairman's report</b> - The Panel received notes of the regular weekly meetings between the Chairman and officers, dated 22nd March 2006 and noted the following papers -			
	<ol> <li>Letter dated 14th March 2006 from the Treasury and Resources Scrutiny Liaison Officer containing a briefing report, dated January 2006, on Revised Financial Forecasts;</li> </ol>			
	<ol> <li>Letter dated 21st March 2006 from the Treasury and Resources Scrutiny Liaison Officer containing a report dated 23rd March 2006 on the Format and Content of the States Business Plan;</li> </ol>			
	<ol> <li>e-mail correspondence, dated 22nd March 2006, to the Treasury and Resources Scrutiny Liaison Officer regarding the scrutiny of the States Business Plan and Budget.</li> </ol>			
3 Fiscal Strategy				
Item 3 16.03.06	The Panel considered the following issues -			
	<ol> <li>Expert Adviser - The Panel received an update report on the search for an adviser.</li> </ol>			
	It was agreed that the proposal received from Chilterns Tax Consultancy was too expensive.			
	The Panel and noted that firm expressions of interest, together with CVs had been received from two university professors with relevant experience. It was agreed to invite both candidates to meet an appointments group on 3rd April 2006 in order to discuss the role of adviser. This group would comprise the Chairman, Senator Perchard plus up to two co-opted persons with knowledge of the local fiscal environment to provide independent expertise to advise the Panel's choice of adviser	Chairman/ Senator Perchard		
	<ol> <li>Conversations with local contacts - The Panel noted that two groups had responded to date to the Panel's invitation to discuss the Fiscal Strategy.</li> </ol>			
4.	Chief Minister - first quarterly meeting			
Item 4 16.03.06	The Panel agreed to meet at lunchtime on 28th March 2006 in order to discuss its questioning strategy for the meeting with the Chief Minister on 30th March 2006.	Deputy Gallichan		
5	Age of consent review			

Item 6 16.03.06	The Panel gave further consideration to the draft report on the Sexual Offences (Jersey) Law 200- and made a number of amendments to the text.	
	The Panel noted an e-mail from the Home Affairs Minister, dated 22nd March 2006, relating to the timetable for preparation of abuse of trust legislation.	
	The Scrutiny Officer was requested to prepare a revised copy for the Panel's final consideration on 24th March 2006 prior to presentation to the States on the agreed on 28th March 2006.	SP

Signed	Date
Chairman, Corporate Services Panel	