Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel

PUBLIC MEETING

Record of Meeting

Date: 9th March 2011

Meeting 127

Present	Senator S.C. Ferguson, Chairman
	Deputy T.A. Vallois, Vice-Chairman
	Deputy J.A.N. Le Fondré
Apologies	Deputy D.J. de Sousa
Absent	
In attendance	Miss. K. Boydens, Scrutiny Officer

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23/02/11	1. Records of Meetings	
	The Panel noted and approved the records of its meetings held on 23rd February and 1st March 2011.	
	In relation to its Fiscal Strategy Review, the Panel also noted the records of its meetings held on 17th, 18th, and 23rd February 2011.	
	The minutes were therefore signed accordingly.	
23/02/11	2. Action Updates	
	The Panel noted its action updates from its previous meeting held on the 23rd February 2011.	:
	The Panel noted that it was waiting for several requested documents including the Comprehensive Spending Review Delivery Plan, an answer relating to GAAP (Generally Accepted Accounting Principles) and a revised organisation structure from the Treasury and Resources Department. It requested the officer to draft a follow-up letter to the Minister for Treasury and Resources.	
09/02/11	3. Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for Treasury and Resources	
Item 11		
513/1(40)	Prior to the witnesses' arrival for the quarterly Hearing, the Panel discussed additional questions to ask the Minister for Treasury and Resources. It was agreed that a question regarding the Economic Stimulus fund and the Pomme d'Or Housing estate should be asked.	
	The Panel received Deputy E.J Noel, Assistant Minister for Treasury and Resources, Connétable J.M Refault, Assistant Minister for Treasury and Resources who were accompanied by Ms. L. Rowley, Treasurer of the States, and Mr J. Richardson, Deputy Chief Executive and Chief Officer of Resources, for a quarterly Public Hearing.	
	It was noted that Senator P.F.C Ozouf, Minister for Treasury and Resources was unable to attend the Hearing due to illness.	
	The witnesses withdrew from the meeting and the Panel noted that the Hearing was to be transcribed within the standard timescale.	***

24/11/10	4. Quarterly Hearing: Question Plan	
Item 5 513/1(40)	The Panel noted that it was due to meet the Chief Minister for a quarterly Hearing at its next scheduled meeting. It agreed that it would ask questions in relation to public and exempt Ministerial Decisions and international relations.	
	It agreed that the officer would format the questions and send the question plan to the Panel electronically for approval.	КВ
16/12/09	5. International Relations	
Item 3	The Panel noted the briefing paper on International Relations. It agreed that it would not undertake a review into the topic, however, would ask the Chief Minister at the next quarterly Hearing for an update on what was being developed in the area.	
01/03/11 Item 1	6. Comprehensive Spending Review: 2012 – 2013 and Delivery	
513/27(8)	The Panel received and approved a media release regarding the launch of its second review into the Comprehensive Spending Review. It agreed that this should be sent to all media.	КВ
	The Panel recalled its decision regarding inviting a member of the Public to contribute voluntarily to the review. It agreed that due to the tight time constraints and the prospect of engaging two advisors, a volunteer would not be required.	
	The Panel heard that several organisations had been contacted regarding expert advice. It noted that an individual from "Capita Symonds" (a consultancy agency) had contacted the Scrutiny Office and would be sending his Curriculum Vitae on Thursday 10th March 2011.	·
	The Panel heard that Mr. J Seddon of Vanguard Consulting had been contacted by the Chairman to appear before the Panel as a witness. It noted that Mr J. Seddon had significant experience in the implementation of improved working in the public sector. The Officer was requested to contact Mr. J Seddon's personal assistant to organise.	КВ
	The Panel requested a further meeting to decide on the next steps for the review. It was agreed that this would be arranged electronically. 7. Forthcoming Propositions	
	The Panel noted the forthcoming propositions that had been lodged for debate by the Chief Minister and the Minister for Treasury and Resources.	
;	8. Future Meetings	
1	The Panel noted that its next scheduled meeting would be held on 23rd March 2011 at 9:30a.m in the Blampied Room, States Building.	

Signed:

Date:

Chairman, Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel 9th March 2011

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