Chairmen's Committee

Record of Meeting

Date: 17th September 2013

Present	Deputy T.A Vallois, President	
	Deputy S.G. Luce, Vice-President	
	Senator S.C. Ferguson	
	Deputy J.M. Maçon [item 2 onwards]	
	Deputy K.L. Moore	
	Deputy J.H. Young [item 2 onwards]	
Apologies		
Absent		
In attendance	Mrs K. Tremellen-Frost, Scrutiny Manager	

Ref Back	Agenda matter	Action
	1. Minutes of previous meetings	
	The record of the meeting held on 30th July 2013, having been approved was signed accordingly.	
	2. Chairmanship of Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel	
516/1(1)	Given that the current Chairman of the above Panel had announced to the States that he would be standing down as Chairman of the Panel in September 2013, having been appointed as Chairman of the Privileges and Procedures Committee, the Committee sought clarification on the matter. It was noted that the Chairman had decided to remain in post until the review into CCTV had been completed. This was targeted for completion by end October/early November. Deputy Maçon agreed to contact all Members by email to advise of this decision.	
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	Consideration was given as to a possible future Chairman.	
28.05.13	3. Privileges and Procedures Committee [PPC]: Chairmen's Committee representative	
Item 1		
465/1(4)	Deputy Moore, the current representative of the Committee on PPC advised that she wished to step down from that role. It was agreed that, in the short term, Senator Ferguson was willing to take on the role. The process for achieving this was noted and it should be able to occur at the next States sitting.	KM/JM
	4. Resignation of the Connétable of St. Lawrence from the Radon review being undertaken by the Environment Scrutiny Panel.	
514/20	It was noted that the Connétable of St. Lawrence had decided to stand down as a co-opted member on the Radon review.	
	5. Panel Activity Reports	
	 The Committee noted the Scrutiny Panels' Activity Reports. The following additional items were considered:- HSSH briefing on Path Lab situation; 	
	HSSH process in respect of Mental Health review;	

	• Thanks from Chairman, PAC for the meeting with HSSH in respect	
	of Integrated Care Records;	
	C&AG's website is now live;	
	Energy Efficiency Scheme and grants	
	6. Budget 2014	
513/40	The Committee considered whether to take a similar approach to	
	reviewing the 2014 Budget as it had with the Medium Term Financial Plan.	
	It was agreed that each Panel needed to consider its own areas of	
	responsibility to assess whether reviews were necessary. It was also	
	agreed that each Panel should request a briefing from the Treasurer of the	
	States on their relevant areas of responsibility, as appropriate.	
21.05.13	7. Newsletter	
Item 9		
	The autumn edition would be circulated the week beginning 25th	
510/3(5)	November so Panel pages would be drafted prior to 28th October when	
	the first draft was required.	KTF
21.05.13	8. Scrutiny Members meeting	
Item 7		
	It was agreed that there should be one item for discussion: Scrutiny under	
510/1(70)	the proposed revised MoGR system. It was intended that the President	
	would outline the proposed Scrutiny model which would lead to questions	
	and an open discussion.	
	9. Evidence	
510/1(48)	The Committee noted a paper on evidence prepared by the Comptroller	
	and Auditor General to be circulated to all Panel Members.	
	10. Whistleblowing	
511/1(55)	The President advised the Committee that she had met with the Director of	
	Human Resources to discuss the way forward for whistleblowers as there	
	was now no official route, given that the current Comptroller and Auditor	
	General had decided that it was an inappropriate function for her office to	
	fulfil.	
23.04.13	11. Innovation Fund	
Item 9		
	The Chairman, Economic Affairs Scrutiny Panel advised the Committee	
515/26	that he might have to withdraw from a review into the Innovation Fund if it	
	were to go ahead due to his personal contacts with a senior person	
	involved in the matter.	
	12. States Meetings 2014	
4040/00		
1240/2(83)	The Committee considered some concerns that there would be a number	
	of important issues which would need to come to the States by July 2014	
	given the few States meetings between then and the elections. Holding	
	States sitting throughout the summer was considered as was the	
	possibility of taking only essential legislation and the matter was referred to	
	the Privileges and Procedures Committee for further consideration.	
	13. Chairmen's Committee meeting dates 2014	
	These were agreed as follows:-	
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	14th Jan 6th May	
	11th Feb 10th June	
	11th Mar 16th September (possibly)	
	8th April (recess)	

14. Future meetings
 All Scrutiny Member meeting: 25th September 2013, 1pm-2pm, Blampied Room Chairmen's Committee meeting – 15th October 2013, 9.30am - 11.30am, Le Capelain Room