

Economic Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 17th October 2013

Meeting No: 70

Present	Deputy S.G. Luce, Chairman Connétable S.W. Pallett, Vice-Chairman Connétable M.J. Paddock
Apologies	
In attendance	Minister for Economic Development (Item 6) Director of Business Creation, Economic Development (Item 6) Economist, Chief Minister's Department (Item 6) Mr. T. Oldham, Scrutiny Officer

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	1. Record of Meeting The record of the Panel's meeting held on 2nd October 2013 was approved by the Panel and signed accordingly by the Chairman.	
02/10/13 Item 2 515/28	2. Digital Skills The Sub-Panel Chairman informed the Panel that the Chairman of the Digital Jersey Education and Skills Technical Action Group (TAG) had attended the previous Sub-Panel meeting, providing a comprehensive background briefing on his background in IT, his own work in conjunction with schools on the development of digital skills, and the work and objectives of his TAG. The Sub-Panel had also discussed its draft scoping document and Terms of Reference for the Review, and agreed that they should be further considered after publication of the Digital Jersey Business Plan and the Minister for Education, Sport and Culture's Vision for IT in Education on 10th and 11th October respectively.	
02/10/13 Item 3 515/24	3. Financial Services Ombudsman The Panel noted the States Oral Question tabled by the Panel for answer by the Minister for Economic Development on 22nd October 2013, and considered potential supplementary questions.	
02/10/13 Item 5 515/1(24)	4. Ports of Jersey Incorporation The Panel noted that a paper which it had anticipated receiving from the Ports of Jersey detailing the expected timeframe for its various incorporation work-streams was still awaited. It was agreed that the matter should be followed up by the Officer.	TO
02/10/13 Item 4 515/1(29)	5. Retail Sector Review The Panel approved the scoping document and Terms of Reference for its Review examining issues faced by the retail sector and the associated response to those challenges of the Minister for Economic Development. It was agreed that the Review would begin after	TO

	completion of work relating to the draft Enterprise Strategy and proposals to remunerate the non-executive members of the Jersey Innovation Fund Board.	
02/10/13 Item 7 515/3(19) and Item 6 515/26	<p>6. Enterprise Strategy and Jersey Innovation Fund Public Hearing</p> <p>The Panel welcomed the Minister for Economic Development and accompanying Officers to a Public Hearing regarding the draft Enterprise Strategy and Jersey Innovation Fund. The Hearing was recorded and transcribed.</p> <p>It was agreed that the Panel would discuss presentation of Comments to the States on both matters after consideration of the Hearing transcript.</p>	TO
515/1(24)	<p>7. Draft Aquatic Resources (Jersey) Law 201-</p> <p>The Panel discussed possible work on the Draft Aquatic Resources (Jersey) Law 201-, and agreed that a joint briefing with the Environment Scrutiny Panel should be requested from relevant Officers of the Economic Development and Environment Departments in order to inform any next steps.</p>	
02/10/13 Item 11 515/1(24)	<p>8. Work Programme</p> <p>The Panel noted that it awaited a work-stream paper from the Economic Development Department following its request on 4th October for an updated version. It was agreed that this matter should be followed up by the Officer.</p> <p>The Panel considered its own work programme, noting that this would be further informed by receipt and discussion of the Department's work-stream paper and the Ports of Jersey's incorporation timetable.</p>	TO
515/1(1)	<p>9. Panel Membership</p> <p>The Panel noted that the Connétable of Grouville had expressed an interest in joining the Panel, which was welcomed by the Members. It was agreed that the Chairman would inform the States at its next meeting of the decision to increase the membership of the Panel to four, and to nominate the Connétable accordingly.</p>	SL
	<p>10. Future meetings</p> <p>The Panel noted that its next meeting was scheduled to take place at 9.30am in Le Capelain Room, States Building on 30th October 2013.</p>	