Education and Home Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 27th February 2017

Present	Deputy T. A. Vallois, Vice-Chairman
	Deputy J. M. Maçon
	Deputy S. Y. Mezec
Apologies	Deputy L. M. C. Doublet, Chairman
Absent	
In attendance	Mrs T. Brint, Treasurer of Jersey Early Years Association.
	Mrs B. Lewis, Vice-Chair of Jersey Early Years Association
	Mr M. Farley, member of Jersey Early Years Association
	Mr M. Robbins, Scrutiny Officer

Ref Back	Agenda matter	Action
	1. Records of Meetings	
	Minutes of the meetings held on 5th, 9th, 12th, 13th, 24th and 25th January 2017 were approved and signed.	MR
Item 3 09.01.17	2. Conflict of Interest There were no conflicts of interest declared.	
Item 5 06.02.17	3. Visit to Police Headquarters The Panel accepted an invitation to visit the new Police Headquarters building for a tour of the premises during April 2017. The date was to be agreed.	MR
	It noted that arrangements were being made for a briefing on the new Police SMART System and a date was suggested. It was anticipated that would be held at the new Police headquarters.	MR
516/43	4. Prison Board of Visitors	
Item 2 25.11.16	The Panel noted draft legislation in the form of an amendment to the States of Jersey Police Force (Jersey) Law 2012 that had been supplied to the Panel for consideration and which was to be lodged in the near future. The date was to be established and consideration was to be given to the need for a public hearing to air the matter in public. It was noted that the proposed changes instigated the one recommendation contained within the Prison Board Of Visitors Scrutiny Report, S.R. 9/2015, namely that the Prison Board of Visitors be constituted with members who were independent.	MR
516/45	5. Nursery Education Fund	
Item 9 04.07.16	The Panel held a public hearing and welcomed representatives of the Jersey Early Years Association. The hearing was recorded in order that a transcript could be made of the proceedings. A transcript and podcast were all published on the Scrutiny website.	
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	The Panel further agreed to lodge an oral question for the Minister for	
	Education at the next States sitting. This matter was also to be the subject of questions to the Minister for	MD
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	The Nursery Education Fund was to be placed on the agenda for the next	IVIIX
	meeting for further discussion.	
	6. Review into Secondary Education.	
	The Panel noted that the Minister for Education had received £85,000	
	from central funds to undertake a review into Secondary Education. The	MD
	Panel decided that questions needed to be drafted in relation to this to	MR
516/46	be put to the Minister during the next quarterly public hearing 7. Tertiary Education: Student Finance	
310/40	7. Tertiary Education. Student Finance	
Item 8	The Panel considered the draft report and cross referenced it with the	
06.02.17	advisor report. It agreed that the report should go out to stakeholders for	
	factual checking in line with the Code of Practice for Scrutiny Panels.	MR
	Publication of the report was still on target for med March 2017.	MR
	8. Tertiary Education: Further Reviews	
	The Panel deferred discussion about further reviews into tertiary education until the next meeting.	MR
	9. Future Meetings	
	The next meeting was scheduled to be between 09.30hrs and 12.00hrs on Monday 10th April 2017, in the Le Capelain Room.	MR