

Corporate Services Scrutiny Sub Panel

GST Review

5th meeting, dated 3rd August 2006

Present Deputy P J D Ryan, Chairman
 Connétable J L S Gallichan
 Connétable D Murphy
 Apologies Connétable M. Jackson
 In attendance Mr M Haden, Scrutiny Officer
 Mr. R. Teather, Adviser

Public Session

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1.	<p>Public hearings</p> <p>The Panel interviewed representatives from Jersey Chamber of Commerce, Lloyds TSB Foundation, Jersey Mencap, Jersey Hospice, St John's Ambulance.</p>	
2.	<p>Future Public Hearings</p> <p>The Sub Panel confirmed a list of witnesses for the public hearings to be held on 31st August and 7th September</p>	
3	<p>Public meeting (Charities)</p> <p>Having heard evidence from representatives of charities showing that there was a great deal of misunderstanding regarding the potential treatment of charities under GST and that there was no clear representative body to co-ordinate their views, the Sub Panel decided to arrange a public meeting on 6th September to which all local charities would be invited. The purpose of the meeting would be to clarify possible relief that might be made available for charities. It was agreed that</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. Crown Agents should be requested to prepare a briefing paper for the meeting ii. the Minister for Treasury and Resources should be invited to make a presentation, iii. The Sub Panel's Adviser was also requested to prepare a briefing note. iv. to issue a press release to announce this decision 	MH
4.	<p>Requests for Information</p> <p>The Sub Panel requested that information should be requested from</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. the Comptroller of Income Tax regarding the number of charities granted certificates of exemption from income tax. ii. Health and Social Services regarding the contribution made by charities to essential community and health services 	MH

	iii. Employment and Social Security regarding the scope of the proposed income support scheme	
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Chairman, Corporate Services Panel

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