

Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 7th May 2014

Meeting No: 166

Present	Senator S.C. Ferguson, Chairman Deputy J.G. Reed, Vice-Chairman Connétable D.W. Mezbourian [Items 2-9] Deputy R.J. Rondel
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Mrs. M. Galpin, BWCI Consulting Limited [Item 1] Miss. S. McKee, Scrutiny Officer Mr. W. Millow, Scrutiny Officer [Item 1]

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06/05/14 Item 1 513/42	<p>1. Public Sector Pensions</p> <p>The Panel, with its expert advisor in attendance, considered a report which had been prepared by BWCI Consulting Limited in respect of <i>Draft Public Employees (Pensions) (Jersey) Law 201- (P.28/2014)</i> and the proposed reforms to the Public Employees Contributory Retirement Scheme (PECRS). It was noted that a copy of the report had been sent to the Department of Treasury and Resources for comment on the factual accuracy and reporting of evidence and that comments had subsequently been received from the Department. The Panel also noted that typographical and formatting amendments would be made to the report by BWCI Consulting Limited. The Panel was advised that neither the comments from the Department nor the amendments from BWCI Consulting Limited would affect the overall tenor of the advisor's report.</p> <p>The Panel discussed the advisor's recommendations and agreed Key Findings and Recommendations which the Panel itself would make. It was noted that the Panel's report would encompass a brief introductory section from the Panel itself (in which the Panel's Key Findings and Recommendations would be included) alongside the advisor's report. Having agreed Key Findings and Recommendations, the Panel requested that drafting on the Panel's introductory section take place.</p>	WM
	<p>2. Records of Meetings</p> <p>The records of the meetings held on 16th, 17th, 22nd, 23rd and 24th April and the private records of the meetings held on 9th and 23rd April 2014 were approved and signed accordingly.</p>	
23/04/14 Item 5 513/43	<p>3. Draft Charities Law</p> <p>The Panel considered a draft Scoping Document and draft Terms of Reference for its review of the Draft Charities (Jersey) Law 201-. The Panel identified a number of minor amendments to the documents, which the Officer was requested to enact. Both documents were</p>	SM

	approved by the Panel following these enactments. The Officer was requested to send the agreed Scoping Document and Terms of Reference to the Chairman's Committee for approval and subsequently to the Chief Minister's Department for comments.	SM
513/44	<p>4. Draft 2015 Budget</p> <p>The Panel noted dates for private briefings and public hearings in respect of its review of the Draft 2015 Budget. It was further noted that if the Minister for Treasury and Resources were for any reason unable to attend any of the public hearings given the tight timeframe, it would be preferable for the Assistant Minister to attend in his place rather than re-arranging.</p> <p>The Panel recalled that it was due to receive documentation, under confidentiality, on the Draft 2015 Budget from the Treasury and Resources Department. The Officer was requested to follow up this matter.</p>	WM
23/04/14 Item 2 513/37(5)	<p>5. Implementation of European Legislation</p> <p>The Panel noted that its report had been presented to the States on 29th April 2014. It was further noted that the debate on the Legislation had been deferred by the Minister for External Relations from 29th April to the next States sitting on 13th May 2014.</p> <p>The Panel recalled that it had previously agreed to meet H.M. Attorney General prior to the presentation of its report in respect of legal advice it sought during its review. It was noted that the H.M. Attorney General was unavailable to attend a meeting with the Panel prior to the presentation of the report.</p>	
23/04/14 Item 3 513/41	<p>6. Interim Population Policy</p> <p>The Panel noted that P.10/2014 was approved by the States on 1st May 2014. The Panel recalled that the H.M. Solicitor General was requested, during the debate of P.10/2014, to provide legal advice to the States in regard to States Policies. The Panel agreed to write to H.M. Solicitor General to request further information in respect of this advice.</p>	SM
513/1(41)	<p>7. Work Programme</p> <p>The Panel recalled that it had previously agreed to undertake a short review on the proposed amendments to the <i>Employment of States of Jersey Employees (Jersey) Law 2005</i>. The Panel noted that two of its Members would be unavailable for some time in May due to personal commitments and the States had agreed extra States continuation days from Tuesday 20th – Thursday 22nd May. As a result, the Panel agreed that it would be problematic to undertake a review during this period. It was further agreed that the Panel would concentrate on the other topics identified within its current Work Programme.</p>	
513/1(40)	<p>8. Quarterly Public Hearing with the Chief Minister</p> <p>The Panel noted that the next Quarterly Public Hearing with the Chief Minister was due to take place on 22nd May 2014. It was further noted, however, that the States were now due to sit on that day and subsequently the Officer was requested to re-arrange the Hearing with the Department.</p>	SM
	9. Future Meetings	

	<p>The Panel noted that its next scheduled meeting was due to take place on 21st May 2014. However, it was further noted that the States were now sitting on this day. The Panel agreed to re-arrange its meeting for Wednesday 28th May 2014. The Chairman and Connétable D.W. Mezbourian gave their apologies for the meeting. The Officer was requested to send out a new meeting request.</p>	SM
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