

Environment Scrutiny Panel Meeting No. 37

18th January 2007

Present Deputy R.C. Duhamel (Chairman) (RD)
Deputy R. Le Hérissier (RLH)
Connétable K. A. Le Brun of St Mary (KB)
Deputy S. Power (SP)

Apologies Deputy G.C.L. Baudains (Vice Chairman)

In attendance Mrs K. Tremellen-Frost, Scrutiny Manager

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1.	<p>Fact-finding visit to Vienna</p> <p>The Panel considered the final arrangements for the above visit and considered all estimated costs prepared by the Scrutiny Office.</p> <p>The Panel noted that the cost estimate which stood at £7,002.54 was based on five people travelling, three Panel members, one Scrutiny Officer and Mr. D. Mason.. [The latter was advising the Panel on this review and had, in fact, carried out a “dry run” to establish a suitable programme to maximise the use of the time in Vienna at a cost of £1,220 which was included in the cost estimate above.] It was also noted that the estimate non-inclusive of Mr Mason’s costs stood at £5782.54 for 5 persons.</p> <p>The number travelling would, however, be one fewer than originally anticipated and the delegation would comprise, Deputies R.C. Duhamel, S. Power, Mrs C. Le Quesne, Scrutiny Officer and Mr. Mason, Adviser. This would lower the cost of the visit.</p> <p>Having noted the above the Panel agreed the following: -</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Departure Saturday 3rd February 2007 x 4 persons - afternoon flight to allow evening travel to Vienna on that day; • Hotel Accommodation x 5 nights for 4 persons - currently arranged at the Hotel Mercure. The Ibis might be cheaper and also the possibility of a special weekend rate should be investigated; • Transport: Sunday 4th February: the delegation would make its own way around Vienna and there would be no requirement for arranged transport; • Transport: Monday 5th - Wednesday 6th February 2007: a 17 seater mini-bus would be arranged. • Senator F. Cohen: Monday 5th February - Wednesday 7th February 2007: the delegation would be joined by Senator F. Cohen, Minister for Planning and Environment. His travel arrangements and accommodation (x 3 nights) would be booked through the Scrutiny Office and Senator Cohen would pay this back following the visit; • Return Travel: Thursday 8th February 2007. • Additional Payment for sundries: these were 	CLQ

rarely, if ever, claimed for by Members and it was not anticipated that claims would be submitted for additional sundry items on this occasion.
The Scrutiny Officer would proceed to make the necessary reservations.

Signed

Date

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Chairman, Environment Panel

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