## **Environment Scrutiny Panel**

Meeting No. 22 21st July 2006 Le Capelain Room, States Building

Present Deputy R.C. Duhamel (Chairman)

Deputy G.C.L. Baudains (Vice Chairman) Connétable K. A. Le Brun of St Mary

Deputy S. Power

**Apologies** 

Absent Deputy R.G. Le Hérissier
In attendance I. Clarkson, Scrutiny Officer
M. Robbins, Scrutiny Officer

Ref Back Agenda matter Action 1 **Minutes** None The Part A and B Minutes of the meeting held on 19th July 2006, having been circulated previously, were taken as read and were confirmed. 2 **Matters Arising** (Items 3A The Panel noted that the Taxi Drivers spoken to at the last MR / IC and 1 (B) meeting had not supplied the letters requested. These were to be 13/07/06 obtained prior to the next meeting. 3 Work Programme - Design of Homes The Panel welcomed Mr D. Mason, Architect, who gave a (Item 5 29/06/06) presentation on properties and sites he considered the Panel might like to visit in the London area. He proposed a two day trip starting on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> August 2006. He presented an itinerary that the Panel considered met their objectives of sustainability, innovation and regeneration in building design. This would include an organised tour of the BedZed Project, (a sustainable housing and business system free from all mains services such as electricity and sewerage). The Panel considered that the London visit might be sufficient to achieve its objectives. It therefore agreed that the necessity of the Malmö and Vienna visits should be discussed during a de-brief meeting. The Panel agreed that the fact-finding visit was appropriate for the Design of Homes review and that it would assist in raising the standards of design in the Island. It was decided that two Members would attend with Mr Mason and one officer. It was agreed that it would be in the Panel's interest to hold the de-brief in London during the evening of the Friday and return on Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> August 2006. An additional benefit was that the itinerary on the Friday was more acceptable because Members would not need to be time conscious during meetings to ensure flights were met. It was further agreed that the Minister for Housing and the Minister for the Environment should be contacted in writing to invite them and /or an officer to join the visit at their own expense. MR / IC The officers were instructed to arrange the visit. The Panel approved the expenditure of up to £3,000, inclusive of hotel and

travel expenses incurred by Mr. Mason arising from his previous

dry run. MR / IC

Consideration was then given to Architecture Week and the request for the Panel to sponsor the event to the tune of £5,000. The Panel formed the view that entering into such a sponsorship arrangement was difficult to justify. Officer were instructed to confirm whether the speeches by the Panel Members could be given if the Panel were to agree not to sponsor the event.

The Panel also recalled its previous desire to construct an interactive display at such an event. It agreed that Architecture Week was an appropriate event at which to stage such a display.

The Panel was invited to instruct officers to produce for the Chairmen's Committee an updated report on the work programme for 2006, including revised cost estimates for the Design of Homes review so as to apprise that Committee of revised resourcing implications. After consideration, the Panel concluded that it was not necessary to provide the Chairmen's Committee with a written update.

Work Programme

(Item 6 13/07/06)

## Work Programme - Waste Recycling

The Panel recalled that a composting exhibition had been agreed in pursuance of Term of Reference 4 as follows -

4. To examine existing technology for the treatment of food waste with the green waste in a composting facility.

In consideration of a paper on the subject the Panel agreed -

- That the show would be held at the Royal Jersey Agriculture and Horticulture premises in Trinity;
- That a list of companies dealing with composting, selected by the Chairman, should be invited to display their products;
- That a stage should be available for presentations;
- That other businesses connected with the agricultural and horticultural trade and associated leisure industries should be invited to set up stalls;

The show would be held between the 14<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> of September 2006 which would allow Thursday 14th for setting up, Friday 15<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> for the show and Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> to pack up.

MR

The cost of hiring the hall was reported as £3,600. Having received advice from Deputy Duhamel that the Panel could reduce the hire cost for this and for future events, the Panel instructed its officers to arrange for the Panel to become members of the Royal Jersey Agricultural and Horticultural Society. In the event that hire costs could not be reduced, the Panel agreed that it would be prepared to incur expenditure to a maximum of £3,600 arising from the hiring of the hall.

In relation to the Krystaline Sonic Glass Imploder, the Panel approved shipping costs of £250. The Panel noted that on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> July 2006, two members of staff from Krysteline would arrive in the Island for the day to demonstrate how the Sonic Glass Imploder worked. Further expenses were expected to be incurred in hospitality for the guests over the lunch period. The Panel approved hospitality expenses of approximately £150 to

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	The meeting scheduled for 27 <sup>th</sup> July 2006 was cancelled due to the attendance of the Krysteline Staff.	
6	Time and date of next meeting.	
	Connétable K. A. Le Brun of St Mary left the meeting.	
	In considering the forthcoming public hearings, the Panel agreed that it wanted the witnesses to feel comfortable explaining any issues from their perspective. It was noted that some of the evidence collected at previous hearings had been more concerned with the Design of Homes review than the matter in hand and the Panel agreed that it should be more restrained with the line of questioning. It was agreed that the lead member, Deputy G.L.C. Baudains would take the lead in questioning. The Panel was reminded that it had accepted the ten key points from the submissions and that an interview plan would assist in keeping the questions relevant and pertinent to the objectives for each witness. Discussion continued on the matter of whether the Terms of Reference were sufficiently broad as to permit consideration of Island Plan policies and development briefs.	Panel
(Item 4 29/06/06)	The Panel noted the evidence obtained from the previous public hearings and elected not to analyze it at that time.  The Panel noted without comment a progress report on case studies.	
5.	Work Programme –Planning Process	
	various businesses in the island.  Deputy G.C.L. Baudains requested that a written position paper on the status of the waste recycling review be presented for consideration at the Panel's next meeting.	
	cover these costs. The Panel was advised by the Chairman that expressions of interest in the machine had been received from	

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