

Economic Affairs Scrutiny Panel

PUBLIC MEETING

Record of Meeting

Date: 7th September 2009

Meeting 28

Present	Deputy M.R. Higgins, Chairman Deputy C.F. Labey, Vice-Chairman Deputy S. Pitman Deputy D.J.A. Wimberley Deputy J.M. Maçon
Apologies	Deputy G.P. Southern (Depositor Compensation Scheme Review only)
Absent	
In attendance	Mr. T. Oldham, Scrutiny Officer

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	<p>1. Minutes</p> <p>The Panel deferred consideration of all outstanding Minutes to its subsequent meeting.</p>	TO
<p>01/09/09 Item 2 515/17(8)</p>	<p>2. Depositor Compensation Scheme</p> <p>The Panel held Public Hearings with the Viscount at 9:15am and the Chief Executive of Jersey Finance and the Chief Executive of Standard Chartered at 10:15am.</p> <p>The Panel was advised that invitations to attend Public Hearings in September extended to STEP Jersey Branch, the Jersey Bankers Association and HSBC and been declined due to existing commitments.</p> <p>The Panel recalled that Public Hearings had been provisionally arranged with OXERA on Friday 25th September and with the Minister for Economic Development on Monday 28th September. In view of the pressing timetable, the Panel considered that these dates would be too late to enable it to incorporate the evidence provided into the draft report. The Panel agreed that the Chairman would contact the Minister for Economic Development directly to request that OXERA, the Jersey Bankers Association and the Minister attend Public Hearings during the week commencing 14th September. It was agreed that the Chairman would update the Panel by Wednesday 9th September, in order to allow sufficient time, if required, for administrative arrangements to be made, in particular with the Panel's adviser Mr J. R. Labrosse of Patterson and Labrosse Financial Consultants Ltd, Canada, who the Panel agreed should be invited to assist those Hearings.</p> <p>The Panel noted that it may be possible to use video or telephoning conferencing to hold discussions with its adviser should he not be required or able to attend the Panel in Jersey.</p> <p>The Panel agreed that it would begin discussion of draft Heads of</p>	MH

	Report at its meeting on Monday 14th September.	
17/08/09 Item 4 517/11(8)	<p>3. Annual Business Plan</p> <p>The Panel agreed that it would seek to lodge an amendment to the proposed 2010 Annual Business Plan relating to the Tourism events promotion budget, although it noted the imminent deadline for this to be achievable. The Panel agreed that Deputy D.J.A. Wimberley would contact the Greffier of the States in order to seek to progress the matter on the Panel's behalf.</p>	DW
10/08/09 Item 3 515/15(8)	<p>4. Tourism PPP</p> <p>The Panel noted that the updated draft proposals for the Tourism PPP had been received, in confidence.</p>	
06/07/09 Item 4	<p>5. Rural Economy Strategy</p> <p>The Panel noted receipt of the Economic Development Department's timetable for its internal review and development of a new Strategy. The Panel agreed that its officers should meet with the responsible Departmental officer to discuss the timetable, and in particular its concerns that the timetable did not appear to include provision for review by Scrutiny.</p>	TO/KB
	<p>6. Draft Legislation</p> <p>The Panel noted the following draft legislation received from the Economic Development:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Separate Limited Partnerships (Jersey) Law 200- (DH) 30.6.09 • Current Incorporated Limited Partnerships (Jersey) Law 200- (950-4) (Draft 14.4.09) (DH) • White Paper: Limited Partnerships with legal personality 	
	<p>7. Ministerial Decisions</p> <p>The Panel noted the following Ministerial Decisions made by the Minister for Economic Development:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • E-Commerce Manager: Application for 5 Year 'J' Category Licence (MD-E-2009-0145) • Aqua-Orchard Ltd: Draft Fish Farming Licence (MD-E-2009-0135) • Spider Crab Fishery: Annual Closure (MD-E-2009-0143) • Fish Farm Authorisation: Amendment (MD-E-2009-0136) • De Normandie Hotel and Apartments, Havre des Pas: Cancellation of Registration (MD-E-2009-0146) • Seymour Oyster Company Ltd: Fish Farming Licence (MD-E-2009-0144) • Sous L'Eglise - Transfer from Public Health to Airport. (MD-E-2009-0149) • Economic Stimulus Plan: Jersey Enterprise Grant for Fixed Asset Purchases by Start-Up Businesses (MD-E-2009-0151) • Protection of Children (Cigarette Lighter Refill) (Jersey) Regulations 200- (MD-E-2009-0150) • Alcove SC01, St. Catherine Breakwater: New Lease (MD-E-2009-0147) • Gorey Leading Light Site - Land Transaction. (MD-E-2009-0153) 	TO/KB

	<p>The Panel requested further information regarding Economic Stimulus Plan: Jersey Enterprise Grant for Fixed Asset Purchases by Start-Up Businesses (MD-E-2009-0151)</p>	
	<p>8. Forthcoming Propositions</p> <p>The Panel noted the following propositions lodged au Greffe:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● P41/2009: - Electricity tariffs: Regulations under Article 22 of the Electricity (Jersey) Law 1937 – Senator A. Breckon ● P41/2009: Com. - Electricity tariffs: Regulations under Article 22 of the Electricity (Jersey) Law 1937 (P.41/2009) – comments – Senator A. Maclean ● P41/2009: Amd. -Electricity Tariffs: Regulations Under Article 22 of The Electricity (Jersey) Law 1937 (P.41/2009)- Amendment – Senator A. Breckon ● P112/2009: Code of Practice for Scrutiny Panels and the Public Accounts Committee: amendments – Chairman’s Committee 	
	<p>9. Future Meetings</p> <p>The Panel noted that its next scheduled meeting would take place at 9:30am in Le Capelain Room, States Building, on Monday 14th September 2009.</p>	

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Chairman
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