

PRIVILEGES AND PROCEDURES COMMITTEE

(3rd Meeting)

5th September 2013PART A

All members were present, with the exception of Deputy K.L. Moore, from whom apologies had been received.

Deputy J.M. Maçon, Chairman
 (Not present for Item Nos. A1 and B1)
 Senator B.I. Le Marquand
 (Not present for Item Nos. A1 and B1)
 Connétable L. Norman of St. Clement
 Deputy J.A. Martin
 Deputy M. Tadier
 Deputy J.H. Young

In attendance -

Deputy J.A.N. Le Fondré
 (Item No. B2 only)
 A.H. Harris, Deputy Greffier of the States
 L. Hart, Assistant Greffier
 (Item Nos. A1, B1 and B2 only)
 I. Webb, Interim Head of Information Services
 (Item No. B4 only)
 I. Clarkson, Committee Clerk
 A. Goodyear, Committee Clerk
 (Not present for Item No. B5)

Note: The Minutes of this meeting comprise Part A and Part B.

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| Minutes. | A1. The Minutes of the meetings of 11th July (Part A and Part B), 22nd July (Part A only) and 31st July 2013 (Part A only), having previously been circulated, were taken as read and were confirmed. Deputy M. Tadier acted as Chairman for the consideration of this item. |
| Members of the States of Jersey
Complaints Panel.
1386/6/1(5) | <p>A2. The Committee received a draft proposition entitled: 'States of Jersey Complaints Panel: appointment of members'.</p> <p>In accordance with Article 5(2) of the Administrative Decisions (Review) (Jersey) Law 1982, it was proposed to request the States to appoint Mr. S. Catchpole QC, Mr. G.G. Crill, Mrs. J. Eden, Mr. J. Moulin and Professor E. Sallis OBE as members of the States of Jersey Complaints Panel for a period of three years.</p> <p>The Committee, having considered the draft proposition, requested that it be lodged '<i>au Greffe</i>' for debate by the States at the earliest opportunity.</p> |
| Code of | A3. The Committee, with reference to its Minute No. A5 of 22nd July 2013, |

Conduct for
Elected
Members:
Commissioner
for Standards.
1240/4(166)

received a draft proposition entitled: 'Code of Conduct for Elected Members: Commissioner for Standards', which had been lodged by the Committee as previously constituted and had later been withdrawn pending discussions with counterparts in Guernsey regarding the possibility of establishing a joint Commissioner (P.4/2013 refers).

The Committee recalled that it had agreed on 22nd July 2013 that it would be minded to re-lodge the proposition during September 2013 unless the Chairman had been advised in the intervening period that Guernsey was in a position to proceed on the matter jointly. It was understood that Guernsey was not yet ready to proceed, and the Committee accordingly agreed to re-lodge the proposition 'Code of Conduct for Elected Members: Commissioner for Standards' *'au Greffe'* for debate by the States.

Machinery of
Government
Review Sub-
Committee.
465/1(182)

A4. The Committee, with reference to its Minute No. A4 of 22nd July 2013, received the final report of the Machinery of Government Review Sub-Committee.

The Chairman expressed the thanks of the Committee to the members of the Sub-Committee and its officer. The Committee noted the key principles which the Sub-Committee believed the machinery of government in Jersey should uphold, these being: accountability; sound corporate governance; objectivity; prudence and transparency. The Committee agreed that the report should be the subject of an 'in Committee debate', to be held in accordance with Standing Order 89(c) of the Standing Orders of the States of Jersey. It was agreed that the debate should be subject to a strict time-limit and should be structured into subject areas for consideration, to include: the executive; Scrutiny; the non-executive; States members' resources and the appointment of an Ombudsman.

The Committee, having considered the report, agreed that it should be presented to the States in early course and that an 'in Committee debate' should be sought by the Chairman for 8th October 2013.