



## Records of Meetings

Year: 2020

The following records of meetings have been approved by the Panel.

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Chair – Deputy Kirsten Morel (until 4th December)  
Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

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Acting Chair – Deputy David Johnson (from 4th December)  
Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

Date: 17th January 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Stephanie Peat, Director of Digital and Telecoms Policy [item 2]  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Records of Meetings</b></p> <p>The Panel approved the records of its meetings held on 6th, 9th and 12th December 2019.</p>	
<p><b>2. Briefing: Digital Policy Unit</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Director of Digital and Telecoms for an update on the work of the Digital Policy Unit. The Director provided the Panel with a brief overview of the Digital Policy Unit and explained that the team worked with a number of stakeholders in the development of digital policy. In terms of the digital economy, the Director explained that the team worked closely with Digital Jersey.</p> <p>The Director explained that the Digital Policy Framework set out six core long-term objectives for the future of digital policy-making in Jersey. The six objectives were:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. A thriving digital sector</li> <li>2. Digital skills for all</li> <li>3. Advanced digital infrastructure</li> <li>4. Government digital transformation</li> <li>5. Robust Cyber Security</li> <li>6. Secure data protection</li> </ol> <p>The Director explained that Cyber Security was a key part of the Digital Policy Unit's role and that a <a href="#">strategy</a> had been published in 2017 following the publication of the Digital Policy Framework. A discussion followed on the importance of Cyber Security and ensuring the general public was fully aware of the risks with digital data, particularly with emerging technologies. The Director explained that the public was one of many key stakeholders for the Digital Policy Unit.</p> <p>In terms of the Cyber Security Strategy, it was noted that there were five "critical pillars" to the strategy which included:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. <b>Government:</b> Continuously secure Government's information;</li> </ol>	

<p>2. <b>Critical national infrastructure:</b> Strengthen the critical national infrastructure’s cyber resilience;</p> <p>3. <b>Business:</b> Work in partnership with the private sector to encourage and incentivise improved cyber security across the Island’s businesses;</p> <p>4. <b>Legislation and international engagement:</b> Ensure the appropriate legislation is in place on-Island and engage with the international community to enhance cooperation;</p> <p>5. <b>Citizens:</b> Help ensure people in Jersey are secure online by raising awareness, building cyber skills, knowledge and capability.</p> <p>The Director explained that the Digital Policy Unit had been working with key stakeholders to emphasise the importance of “cyber essentials” which included engaging with healthcare practitioners such as GP’s, pharmacists and opticians on how data is managed.</p> <p>Part of the work around cyber security also included island-wide engagement and consultation for risk assessments. The Director hoped that a consultation response report would be produced during the first quarter of 2020. The Panel requested a copy of the response report once it had been completed.</p> <p>The Panel thanked the Director for her time and she withdrew from the meeting.</p>	<p><b>KB</b></p>
<p><b>3. Review of Processes within External Relations</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that the Scoping Document and Terms of Reference had been approved by the Scrutiny Liaison Committee. The Panel requested that a letter was drafted to the Minister to inform him of the Panel’s review. In terms of the next steps, the Panel agreed that a news release would be issued once the Minister had been informed of the review.</p>	<p><b>KB</b></p>
<p><b>4. Review of the Small Business Environment</b></p> <p>The Panel received a draft Scoping Document and Terms of Reference. The Panel agreed to defer approving the two documents until it had completed its review of Processes within External Relations.</p>	
<p><b>5. Evaluation: Government Plan</b></p> <p>The Panel was advised that the Ministerial Response to the Panel’s report (S.R.13/2019) had been delayed but would be presented imminently. In that regard, the Panel agreed to defer evaluating the review until its next meeting.</p>	<p><b>KB</b></p>
<p><b>6. Forthcoming Propositions</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that P.129/2019 “Draft Taxation (Implementation) (International Tax Compliance) (Mandatory Disclosure Rules for CRS Avoidance Arrangements and Opaque Offshore Structures) (Jersey) Regulations 202-” had been lodged by the Minister for External Relations on 31st December 2019. The Panel noted that it was due to receive a briefing on the proposition on 27th January.</p>	
<p><b>7. Question Plan: Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for External Relations</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that a question plan had been drafted in preparation for the Quarterly Hearing on 31st January. The Panel agreed to discuss the plan via Office365 “Teams”.</p>	

<b>8. Future Meetings</b>	
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The Panel noted that its next meeting would take place on 31st January at 10:45am in the Le Capelain room, States Building.	
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# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

Date: 23rd January 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Helen De La Cour, Lead Policy Adviser, Financial Services and Digital Economy James Silverston, Director, Financial Services and Digital Economy  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Briefing on Draft Financial Services (Disclosure and Provision of Information) (Jersey) Law 202-</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Lead Policy Adviser and Director of Financial Services and Digital Economy for a briefing on the draft Financial Services (Disclosure and Provision of Information) (Jersey) Law 202-. The Lead Policy Adviser explained that the draft Law had been proposed in order to implement requirements set out by the Financial Action Task Force (FATF). It was noted that FATF was the inter-Governmental body that set standards for combating money laundering, terrorist financing and other related threats to the integrity of the international financial system.</p> <p>In relation to the draft Law, the legislation sought to fully meet the FATF Recommendation 24 by placing requirements relating to beneficial ownership on a statutory footing. The Lead Policy Advisor explained the draft Law in detail by each article.</p> <p>The Lead Policy Advisor advised that a formal consultation process had begun on the legislation which opened on 17th January and would close on 21st February. The Panel also noted that, although the legislation was currently out for consultation, the department had undertaken stakeholder engagement since 2019. It was anticipated that the legislation would be debated on 12th May.</p>	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

Date: 24th January 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman
Apologies	Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard Connétable Karen Shenton-Stone, Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel
Absent	
In attendance	Senator Ian Gorst, Minister for External Relations Deputy Susie Pinel, Minister for Treasury and Resources Tom Le Feuvre, Director, Global Markets & International Agreements Cora O'Brien, Deputy Comptroller of Revenue Dominic Murphy, Deputy Director, Tax Policy  Deputy Steve Ahier, Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel Connétable Richard Vibert, Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Gary Eisner, Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Briefing on the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) work on Taxation of the Digital Economy</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Minister for External Relations, the Minister for Treasury and Resources and government officials for a briefing on the OECD's work on taxation of the digital economy. This meeting was held in private in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended) under Qualified Exemption Article 34.</p>	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

Date: 27th January 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Deputy Jess Perchard
Apologies	Senator Kristina Moore
Absent	
In attendance	Cora O'Brien, Deputy Comptroller of Revenue Dominic Murphy, Deputy Director, Tax Policy  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Briefing on <a href="#">P.129/2019</a> - Draft Taxation (Implementation) (International Tax Compliance) (Mandatory Disclosure Rules for CRS Avoidance Arrangements and Opaque Offshore Structures) (Jersey) Regulations 202-</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Deputy Comptroller of Revenue and Deputy Director of Tax Policy to discuss P.129/2019 which was lodged by the Minister for External Relations on 31st December 2019. The Deputy Comptroller explained that the draft regulations would be made under the powers in Article 2 of the <a href="#">Taxation (Implementation) (Jersey) Law 2004</a>. The draft regulations would implement the commitments given by the Government of Jersey to the EU Code of Conduct Group in July 2018 to introduce a Mandatory Disclosure Rules (MDR) Regime. It was noted that the MDR rules were being introduced across the 3 Crown Dependencies (Jersey, Guernsey and Isle of Man) in a consistent manner.</p> <p>In terms of the MDR Regime, the Deputy Director explained that it should serve two purposes. Firstly, it should provide Revenue Jersey with early information about any Common Reporting Standard (CRS) avoidance or opaque offshore structures in Jersey. Secondly, it should discourage taxpayers and their advisers from engaging in CRS avoidance or opaque offshore structures behaviour.</p> <p>The draft regulations would introduce a new legal obligation on businesses, professional advisers and promoters to disclose to Revenue Jersey details of opaque offshore structures and arrangements to avoid CRS. It was noted that the details may be exchanged by Revenue Jersey with other tax administrations.</p> <p>The Deputy Director explained that Revenue Jersey engaged on the MDR Regime with industry and the tax/legal profession throughout 2019. A public consultation was also undertaken between 23rd September and 14th November 2019. In terms of the response rate, it was noted that due to the technical nature of the subject there had been limited responses to the consultation.</p> <p>It was noted that the draft regulations had been developed by the Council of the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD). The Deputy Comptroller explained that adopting the OECD global standard was consistent with</p>	

Jersey's approach in other areas and the OECD Model Rules reflected international consensus.

In terms of the next steps, it was noted that, should approval of the draft regulations be given by the States Assembly, a Multilateral Competent Authority Agreement would be signed. This Agreement was the OECD's legal mechanism which allowed for the information to be exchanged with other jurisdictions. Guidance for industry would also be issued particularly around the interpretation of the "reasonable to conclude test".

The Panel noted that the draft regulations (regulation 4) stated that guidance "may" be issued by the Comptroller of Revenue. The Panel suggested that guidance should always be issued for industry and the Deputy Comptroller agreed that this would be discussed with the Minister for External Relations.

The Panel also raised a number of queries in relation to regulation 18 "power to enter business premises and examine business documents or client records". The Deputy Director agreed to provide the Panel with an example case in relation to the regulation.

The Panel thanked the Deputy Comptroller and Deputy Director for their time and they withdrew from the meeting.



# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

Date: 29th January 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman
Apologies	Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard
Absent	
In attendance	James Silverston, Director, Financial Services and Digital Economy James Roberts, Lead Policy Adviser Financial Services Charlotte Brambilla, Lead Policy Adviser Financial Services and Digital Economy  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Briefing on pension regulation</b></p> <p>The Panel met government officials for a briefing on the proposed introduction of pension regulations. The Lead Policy Adviser (Financial Services and Digital Economy) explained that the objectives of the government in proposing to regulate the pensions sector was to create a regulatory and supervisory framework to protect the rights and interests of pension scheme members and beneficiaries using Jersey based products and services. Regulation of the pensions sector would also ensure that the framework was proportionate and would help support business growth in the sector.</p> <p>The Panel asked for statistics on the private pension market and it was estimated that around 10% of Jersey's working population had signed up to a private pension scheme. In terms of employees signed up to the public sector pension scheme, it was estimated that this equated to around 15% of the working population, resulting in a combined percentage of around 25%.</p> <p>The Lead Policy Adviser explained that in early 2019, the government had issued a consultation proposing to regulate pensions and received feedback from a number of stakeholders.</p> <p>A second consultation had been issued on 19th December 2019 and was due to close on 28th February 2020. It was noted that the second consultation outlined the feedback received during the 2019 consultation and presented new proposals on the key components of pension regulation.</p> <p>The Panel was advised that the proposed approach was that the formation, management and administration of pension schemes should be a regulated activity. This would also include pension advice, as poor advice in relation to a person's ability to fund his or her retirement could have a detrimental impact.</p> <p>The Lead Policy Advisor then explained the detail of the proposals to the Panel as outlined in the second consultation document.</p>	

In terms of the timeline, it was advised that, depending on the responses to the second consultation, the External Relations Department would issue law drafting instructions to the Legislative Drafters. It was agreed that the Panel would be kept up to date on the developments of both the consultation and subsequent legislation.	
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The Panel thanked the government officials for their time and they withdrew from the meeting.	
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# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

Date: 30th January 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Deputy Jess Perchard
Apologies	Senator Kristina Moore
Absent	
In attendance	Nick Vaughn, Chief Economist, Government of Jersey Greg Boyd, Senior Economist, Government of Jersey Aaron Girardi, Economist, Government of Jersey Tracy Maurant, Private Secretary to the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture  Deputy Steve Ahier, Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. Briefing on the Inflation Strategy</b>  The Panel met with the Economics Unit and Private Secretary to the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture for a briefing on the draft Inflation Strategy. This meeting was held in private in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended) under Qualified Exemption Article 35.	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

Date: 31st January 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Deputy Jess Perchard
Apologies	Senator Kristina Moore
Absent	
In attendance	Senator Ian Gorst, Minister for External Relations [item 2] Connétable Richard Buchanan, Assistant Minister for External Relations [item 2] Kate Nutt, Group Director, External Relations [item 2] Richard Corrigan, Group Director - Financial Services and Digital Economy [item 2]  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Records of Meetings</b></p> <p>The Panel approved the record of its meeting held on 17th January 2020.</p>	
<p><b>2. Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for External Relations</b></p> <p>The Panel received the Minister for External Relations, the Assistant Minister for External Relations and government officials for a Quarterly Public Hearing.</p>	
<p><b>3. Processes within External Relations Review</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that a letter had been sent to the Minister for External Relations advising him of the review. The Panel also noted that a news release publicising the review had been sent to the media. The Panel agreed that the next step for the review was to conduct an audit of published decisions related to external relations matters.</p>	<b>KB</b>
<p><b>4. Evaluation: Government Plan Review</b></p> <p>The Panel evaluated the scrutiny process in relation to its review of the Government Plan. The Panel agreed that the co-ordinating role of the Government Plan Review Panel had been beneficial as it ensured that every project in the Government Plan had been subject to scrutiny.</p> <p>The Panel also agreed that the delay in receiving the Business Cases for each project had been detrimental to the review process. It was hoped that information in relation to the next Government Plan, due to be published in 2020, would be received in a timely manner.</p> <p>The Panel also expressed concern over the way in which the digital copy of the Government Plan had been developed. The Panel's view was that it could have been more digitally interactive so that searching for corresponding financial information,</p>	<b>KB</b>

<p>often detailed in the appendix, was made easier. The Officer advised that this feedback would be shared with the Department of Treasury and the Exchequer.</p>	
<p><b>5. Question Plan: Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that it was due to meet the Minister on 14th February for a Quarterly Public Hearing. The Panel agreed that a separate meeting would be organised to discuss the question plan.</p>	<p><b>KB</b></p>
<p><b>6. Draft Disclosure and Provision of Information (Jersey) Law 202-</b></p> <p>The Panel recalled that it had received a briefing about the legislation on 23rd January. The Panel had raised a number of queries during the briefing and it was noted that the Lead Policy Advisor for Financial Services and Digital Economy was due to send follow-up information and/or clarifications.</p>	
<p><b>7. Future Meetings</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that its next scheduled meeting would take place on Friday 14th February at 10:45am in the Le Capelain room, States Building.</p>	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

Date: 5th February 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Deputy Jess Perchard
Apologies	Senator Kristina Moore
Absent	
In attendance	Tom Fothergill, Lead Policy Adviser, Financial Crime, Office of the Chief Executive Megan Tollitt, Seconded, Financial Crime, Office of the Chief Executive  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. Money Laundering (Amendment No. 11) (Jersey) Order 2020</b>  The Panel met government officials from the Office of the Chief Executive for a briefing on the draft Money Laundering (Amendment No.11) (Jersey) Order 2020. This meeting was held in private in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended) under Qualified Exemption Article 35.	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

Date: 7th February 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Senator Kristina Moore
Apologies	Deputy Jess Perchard
Absent	
In attendance	Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Question Plan: Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture</b></p> <p>The Panel discussed a draft question plan in preparation for its Quarterly Hearing with the Minister on 14th February. It was noted that a final version would be circulated in due course.</p>	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

Date: 12th February 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Tom Le Feuvre, Head of International Agreements, External Relations Cameron Taylor, Project Assistant, External Relations  Gary Eisner, Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Briefing on External Relations Global Markets</b></p> <p>The Panel met officers from External Relations who gave a briefing on the Department's activities in relation to global markets.</p> <p>The officers explained the prioritisation and assessment process being undertaken internally to guide the development of international agreements.</p> <p>Officers also noted that KPIs were currently being developed around this work and offered to brief the Panel on this later in the year.</p>	



# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

Date: 14th February 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Deputy Jess Perchard
Apologies	Senator Kristina Moore
Absent	
In attendance	Senator Lyndon Farnham, Minister, Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture [item 2] Darren Scott, Director, Economic Development [item 2] Dan Houseago, Group Director, Economy and Partnerships, Growth, Housing and Environment [item 2] Richard Corrigan, Group Director, Financial Services and Digital Economy [item 2]  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Records of Meetings</b></p> <p>The Panel approved the records of its meetings held on 23rd, 24th, 27th, 29th, 30th and 31st January 2020.</p>	
<p><b>2. Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture</b></p> <p>The Panel received the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture and government officials for a Quarterly Public Hearing.</p>	
<p><b>3. Review of Processes within External Relations</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that a paper was being drafted which identified all public decisions made by the Minister for External Relations. The Panel agreed that it would discuss the next steps for the review once the paper had been completed.</p>	<b>KB</b>
<p><b>4. Draft Disclosure and Provision of Information (Jersey) Law 201-</b></p> <p>The Panel recalled that it had received a briefing on the draft Law on 23rd January. The Panel noted that follow-up information was due to be received imminently.</p>	
<p><b>5. Draft Taxation (Implementation) (International Tax Compliance) (Mandatory Disclosure Rules for CRS Avoidance Arrangement and Opaque Offshore Structures) (Jersey) Regulations 202- (P.129/2019)</b></p> <p>The Panel recalled that it had received a briefing on P.129/2019 on 27th January. During the briefing, government officials had agreed to provide follow-up information following a number of concerns raised by the Panel. The Panel noted that the information had not been received and that the Proposition was due to be debated on 25th February. The Panel agreed that it was likely to call-in the legislation due to the delay in receiving the information.</p>	

<p><b>6. Visits/Briefings in 2020</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that a series of visits and briefings with various stakeholders would be organised during 2020. The Panel agreed that a discussion with representatives from Scoop (The Sustainable Co-Operative) would be beneficial and requested that a meeting was organised for 6th March.</p>	<p><b>KB</b></p>
<p><b>7. Future Meetings</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that its next scheduled meeting would take place on 28th February at 10:45am at Jersey Dairy.</p>	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

Date: 24th February 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Deputy Jess Perchard Senator Kristina Moore
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Katie Falle, Senior Consultant, Data Management, Prosperity 24.7 Matthew Berry, Legal Advisor, Law Officers' Department  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Data Sharing: Proposals to amend the Register of Names and Addresses (Jersey) Law 2012</b></p> <p>The Panel met Katie Falle, Senior Consultant on data management (Prosperity 24.7) and Matthew Berry, Legal Advisor (Law Officers' Department) to discuss proposals to amend the Register of Names and Addresses Law (Jersey) 2012. This meeting was held in private in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended) under Qualified Exemption Article 35.</p>	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

Date: 27th February 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Senator Kristina Moore
Apologies	Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Deputy Jess Perchard
Absent	
In attendance	Stephanie Peat, Director, Digital and Telecoms Policy, Government of Jersey Stephanie Luce, Digital Policy Advisor, Government of Jersey  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. TV Licences for over 75s</b></p> <p>The Panel met Stephanie Peat (Director of Digital and Telecoms Policy) and Stephanie Luce (Digital Policy Advisor) for a briefing on the Communications (Jersey) <a href="#">Order</a> 2020: Extension to Jersey by Order in Council lodged by the Chief Minister on 19th February 2020.</p> <p>The Director explained that everyone in the UK who watched or recorded television programs must be covered by a valid TV licence. This provision was extended to Jersey under the Broadcasting and Communication (Jersey) Order 2004 and therefore applied to Islanders. Currently, Jersey had offered means-tested free TV licences for persons over 75 and on a comparatively low income. This scheme was governed by the Social Security (Television License Benefit) (Jersey) Law 2006 and the Social Security (Television License Benefit) (Jersey) Regulations 2009 and was managed by the Pensions and Care Team at Customer and Local Services.</p> <p>The Director explained that in 2015, a funding deal was agreed between the UK Government and the BBC which resulted in the BBC taking responsibility for the funding of free licences for the over-75s and setting the policy for the concession. The Assistant Chief Minister at the time (Senator Philip Ozouf) requested that officers from Jersey and the UK worked together on progressing the future relationship between the BBC and Jersey so that Islanders were included within any new concession arrangement.</p> <p>This approach was agreed in 2016 and Jersey policy officers had been working to ensure that statutory provisions were in place for when the BBC's new policy position had taken effect on 1st June 2020. By extending the statutory provisions meant that the BBC would have the power to offer concessions to Islanders. It was noted that any changes to concessions needed to go through a 12 week consultation process which was currently being undertaken by the BBC.</p> <p>Despite the extension, the Director advised the Panel that Jersey would retain policy making powers to introduce any further benefit schemes around TV licences (at the cost of the Government of Jersey).</p>	

<p>The Director also explained that the Government Plan 2020-2023 had committed to maintain Jersey's means-tested scheme for Islanders over 75. Therefore, the statutory changes proposed could result in a saving for the Government of Jersey of around £300,000 per annum should persons aged 75 be included in the BBCs concession arrangement.</p>	
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# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

Date: 28th February 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Deputy Jess Perchard Senator Kristina Moore
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Eamon Fenlon, Managing Director, Jersey Dairy [item 1 only] Andy Harris, Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Tour of Jersey Dairy</b></p> <p>The Panel received a tour of facilities at Jersey Dairy from the Managing Director, Eamon Fenlon. The Panel discussed some of the key challenges faced by the organisation and noted there had been an increase of productivity from the dairy industry, although the number of dairy farms had decreased over the past 5 years.</p> <p>The Panel thanked the Managing Director for the tour.</p>	
<p><b>2. Records of Meetings</b></p> <p>The Panel approved the records of meetings held on 5<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup> and 14<sup>th</sup> February 2020.</p>	
<p><b>3. Small Business Environment</b></p> <p>The Panel noted a scoping document and Terms of Reference for its proposed review of the small business environment in the Island. The Panel considered it would be important to examine the impact of carbon neutrality on small businesses as well as the impact of any proposals on children. It was agreed that both points should be reflected in the scoping document.</p> <p>It was also agreed that Skills Jersey should be added as a stakeholder from which to gather evidence in relation to the challenge to small business of recruiting skilled staff.</p> <p>The Panel agreed to consider the proposed review further and discuss any additional areas for inclusion at its next meetings.</p>	<p><b>AH/KB</b></p> <p><b>AH/KB</b></p>
<p><b>4. Processes within External Relations review</b></p> <p>The Panel noted a briefing paper in relation to its review of the processes within External Relations. The Panel agreed to review the briefing paper and consider any further areas for examination during the review.</p>	
<p><b>5. Implementation of 5G</b></p> <p>The Panel noted a submission that had been made by a member of the public in relation to concerns about the implementation of the 5G network in the Island. The Panel reviewed the submission and agreed that the Environment, Housing and</p>	

<p>Infrastructure Panel would be better placed to consider it, given that the matters raised sat within the remit of the Minister for Infrastructure and Minister for Environment. The Chair agreed that he would raise the matter with the Panel.</p>	<p><b>AH/KB/ KM</b></p>
<p><b>6. Meeting with Scoop</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that it was due to receive representatives from Scoop (a local co-operative) at 10:30am on Friday 6<sup>th</sup> March for a meeting to discuss the workings of the business.</p>	
<p><b>7. TV Licences for over 75s</b></p> <p>The Panel recalled that it had received a briefing from Officers on the Communications (Jersey) Order 2020: Extension to Jersey by Order in Council which had been lodged by the Chief Minister. The Panel agreed that it was satisfied with the rationale for the proposal.</p>	
<p><b>8. P.129/2019 Draft Taxation (Implementation) (International Tax Compliance) (Mandatory Disclosure Rules for CRS Avoidance Arrangements and Opaque Offshore Structures) (Jersey) Regulations 202-</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that P.129/2019 Draft Taxation (Implementation) (International Tax Compliance) (Mandatory Disclosure Rules for CRS Avoidance Arrangements and Opaque Offshore Structures) (Jersey) Regulations 202- was due to be debated by the States Assembly on 10<sup>th</sup> March 2020.</p> <p>It was noted that the views expressed by the Jersey Financial Services Commission on the future of the Island post-Brexit were at odds with the view expressed by the Minister for External Relations in relation to compliance with OECD led law changes. The Panel agreed that certainty was required as to whether similar legislation in competitor jurisdictions was being implemented.</p>	<p><b>AH/KB</b></p>
<p><b>9. Future Meetings</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that its next scheduled meeting was due to take place at 10:45am on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> March in the Le Capelain Room, States Building.</p>	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

Date: 3rd March 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman
Apologies	Deputy Jess Perchard Senator Kristina Moore
Absent	
In attendance	Mark Coxshall, Detective Chief Inspector, Director of Intelligence, States of Jersey Police Louise Clayson, Detective Inspector, Financial Intelligence Unit, States of Jersey Police  Andy Harris, Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Money Laundering (Amendment No.11) (Jersey) Order 2020</b></p> <p>The Panel received Mark Coxshall, Detective Chief Inspector, Director of Intelligence, States of Jersey Police and Louise Clayson, Detective Inspector, Financial Intelligence Unit, States of Jersey Police for a meeting to discuss the removal of the Suspicious Activity Report (SARs) form from the Money Laundering (Jersey) Order 2008 (the “2008 Order”).</p> <p>The Detective Chief Inspector explained that the overall purpose of removing the form was to deal with a myriad of additional issues (such as Cybercrime, cryptocurrency and modern-day slavery) which had developed since the original order was made in 2008. It was noted that removing specific reference to the form in the schedule of the 2008 Order would allow for it to be amended to account for any upcoming trends in consultation with industry. The Panel noted that the reference to the form was not originally included in the 2008 Order, however, this was added by a subsequent amendment. It was questioned what the rationale was for inclusion of the form in this amendment. The Detective Chief Inspector explained that this was likely due to work at the time in order to prepare for and comply with the International Monetary Fund (IMF) inspection which took place in 2009. The Detective Chief Inspector explained that further clarification around the reason for adding the form to the schedule of the 2008 Order would be requested.</p> <p>The Detective Inspector of the Financial Intelligence Unit (FIU) explained that the unit had been through a Lean process in 2019 in order to identify how a SARs form went through the system and how it could collect better data. It was noted that this was linked to Moneyval, which required statistics on how jurisdictions were dealing with money laundering and the funding of terrorist activities. It was explained that there were currently two levels of SARs forms that could be submitted. The first was the full form which provided all relevant information on the suspicions. It was noted that there were 1597 of these forms submitted in 2019. The second form (of which there were 1920 submitted in 2019) was a continuation form that provided additional</p>	<p><b>AH/KB</b></p>



information in relation to the suspicious activity. The Inspector of the FIU explained that if additional information was required, then Article 21(4) of the 2008 Order could be used to request this if necessary.

The Panel questioned what the process for submitting a SARs form was. It was explained that a Money Laundering Reporting Officer (MLRO) submitted a SARs form when they were alerted to suspicious activity throughout its operations. The form would then be submitted to the FIU through an online portal. Each form would then be graded by the FIU and then allocated for further analysis dependant on the grading. The SARs were then also discussed at a weekly triage meeting including representatives of the Joint Financial Crimes Unit (JFCU) FIU, the Law Officers' Department (LOD) and the Jersey Financial Services Commission (JFSC). Opportunities would then be exploited to ensure the full range of the intelligence was used which could lead to a regulatory referral, consideration given to instigating a criminal or regulatory investigation or sharing intelligence with another jurisdiction.

From that stage, the three agencies are able to refer proposed cases into a Tripartite meeting. This forum accepts proposals and makes an objective view as to what agency is best placed to own and undertake an investigation. The MLO is a key ingredient within that forum so that the proportionality of response, to any proposed case, can be fully considered. The point of complexity of investigations was raised with single cases being able to divert a number of investigators for lengthy periods of time.

It was noted that it was ultimately the responsibility of the MLRO to assess the severity of the issue and whether to externalise the SARs form. It was also explained that instances of non-disclosure could potentially be identified by the JFSC to ensure that SARs were being appropriately managed. This was raised as especially important when considering the potential negative consequences to the Island's reputation as a result of poor practice in this area.

It was explained that the FIU had recently received an uplift in resources within the Government Plan and had recruited new investigators with significant experience from the financial services industry. It was, however, noted that they would require training in the investigatory aspect of the role which would take time to embed. It was confirmed that the staffing of the FIU was ring fenced and staff would only be required to cover other areas in the event of a serious incident. It was also noted that work was ongoing to update the information technology systems to support the work of the FIU as the current system had been in place since 2004.

The Panel agreed to request a copy of the current and intended SARs form, noting that the new form was undergoing testing at present. As this was only available in an online version, the Detective Chief Inspector agreed to identify the best means with which to share it with the Panel. The Panel also requested the most up to date figures on the number of SARs submitted in 2020.

The Panel questioned whether the original 2008 Order was approved by the States Assembly, and, if so, how the Amendment to it could be made by Ministerial Decision and not further States approval. It was explained that this procedural information was not available to the Officers. The Committee and Panel Officer advised that this would be clarified and confirmed with the Panel.

**AH/KB**

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

Date: 6th March 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Deputy Jess Perchard
Apologies	Senator Kristina Moore
Absent	
In attendance	India Hamilton, Co-founder and Director, Scoop Oliver Griggs, Manager, Scoop  Caro Tomlinson, Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Presentation from Scoop</b></p> <p>The Panel received a presentation from India Hamilton, Co-founder and Director, and Oliver Griggs, Manager of Scoop (a local sustainable food co-operative).</p> <p>The Director explained that the overall purpose of the presentation was to show what had been learned from developing a sustainable food co-operative and how those lessons could be applied to other business development, addressing business equity and climate change issues. She explained that Scoop had approximately 200 members who paid annual membership fees and benefitted from 25% discount in the small farm shop. She explained that, based on research and her work in developing similar co-operatives in Lapland and India, this type of small organisation providing a variety of foodstuffs could be used to improve the supply chain and form the basis of a better local and resilient food supply. This was of particular importance to an island community, rather than over-reliance on monocrops and larger chain supermarkets. She explained that she set up the co-operative under UK co-operative law as there was no co-operative legislation in Jersey.</p> <p>The Panel asked the Director about the term ‘regenerative communities’ and she explained that this referred to a community who ‘looked to themselves through systems design to become resilient’.</p> <p>The Director explained the background to understanding food security in Jersey noting that approximately 6-8 days’ worth of fresh food to feed the current population was stored in the Island. The Panel discussed the use of nitrates in the Jersey farming industry and the perceived barriers to organic and sustainable farming practices. The Director explained that the current linear methodology of food production, from producer to supplier to consumer, could be challenged at each stage of the process to benefit more people and produce less waste.</p> <p>The Director advised the Panel that there were several perceived difficulties with farming sustainably and creating a market for organic produce, which could be overcome with an effective education campaign and a clear organic farming strategy.</p>	

The difficulties cited most by consumers and farmers included the expense of production, marketing issues, packaging and branding problems. There was also a perception that the quantities produced would not be sufficient to feed a growing population. However, she cited several studies where it could be shown that by taking a holistic approach, (for example using the waste of one form of produce to benefit another), could demonstrate the viability of such a business model. The Panel noted that there were resources currently being spent on conventional farming which could also be used to help encourage smaller businesses move to organic farming, and that striving to achieve a set of common values within the smallholdings could bring benefits to more of them.

The Panel asked if there were ways small businesses such as Scoop could be helped by the Government of Jersey. The Director advised that legislation could be scrutinised to ensure that there were fewer unintended adverse consequences for small businesses. For example, strict planning regulations designed to help one industry could inadvertently hurt a fledgling start-up business. The Director agreed that looking at the development of the Island Plan with small sustainable businesses and ecological factors in mind would be beneficial, as would minimising costs to them. She cited the example of Hackney Council providing free environmental health and safety regulations and guidance to street-food vendors which had helped them to maintain their small businesses. She also agreed with the Panel that it would take a change of mindset with some consumers to achieve real change (such as restaurateurs adjusting menus to incorporate seasonal and diverse locally-sourced produce). However, she noted that if large-contract consumers such as schools requested more variety and sustainable produce, this would drive distributors such as Supply Jersey to encourage the producers to provide a diversity of crops.

The Director advised that the overall aim was to create policy and frameworks to enable support for local businesses, grow exportation and build local resilience.

The Panel thanked the representatives for the presentation and requested that a copy was circulated to it. The Panel also invited Scoop representatives to attend another briefing in May as part of its review of the Small Business Environment.

**KB**

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

Date: 9th March 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	<p><b><u>Item 1</u></b></p> <p>Helen De La Cour, Lead Policy Adviser, Financial Services &amp; Digital Economy James Silverston, Director, Financial Services &amp; Digital Economy</p> <p><b><u>Item 2</u></b></p> <p>Senator Ian Gorst, Minister for External Relations Constable Richard Buchanan, Assistant Minister for External Relations Cora O'Brien, Deputy Comptroller of Revenue Dominic Murphy, Deputy Director, Tax Policy James Silverston, Director, Financial Services David Le Marquand, Private Secretary to the Minister</p> <p>Sammy McKee, Committee and Panel Officer [item 1] Gary Eisner, Committee and Panel Officer [item 2]</p>

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Draft Financial Services (Disclosure and Provision of Information) (Jersey) Law 202- and the Draft Limited Liability Companies Amendment (Jersey) Law 201-.</b></p> <p>The Panel met with Helen De La Cour, Lead Policy Adviser (Financial Services &amp; Digital Economy) and James Silverston, Director (Financial Services &amp; Digital Economy) to discuss the draft amendment to the Limited Liabilities Companies Law and the Draft Financial Services (Disclosure and Provision of Information) (Jersey) Law. This meeting was held in private in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended) under Qualified Exemption Article 35.</p>	
<p><b>2. Briefing on the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) work on Taxation of the Digital Economy</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Minister for External Relations and Resources and government officials for a follow-up briefing on the OECD's work on taxation of the digital economy.</p> <p>The Deputy Comptroller gave detail of the latest OECD Inclusive Framework meeting that took place at the end of January and the way in which Jersey is participating and</p>	

interacting with the OECD and other member states. This meeting was held in private in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended) under Qualified Exemption Article 35.	
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# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 20th March 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. Records of Meetings</b>  The Panel noted and approved the records of its meetings held on 24th, 27th, 28th February and 3rd and 6th March 2020.	
<b>2. COVID-19 Response</b>  The Panel agreed to undertake a piece of work on the COVID-19 outbreak. The Panel agreed to focus in particular on the response of the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture to the business community. In order to keep up-to-date with the ongoing situation, the Panel agreed to hold weekly catch-up meetings.	
<b>3. Small Business Environment Review</b>  The Panel agreed that, due to its urgent work on the COVID-19 outbreak, it would defer discussing its review until the pandemic had passed. The Panel agreed that it would consider, in due course, changing its Scoping Document and Terms of Reference to include the effects of the pandemic on businesses.	<b>KB</b>
<b>4. Processes within External Relations Review</b>  The Panel noted that an audit of decisions by the Minister for External Relations had been completed. The Panel was due to discuss external relations from a constitutional point of view with a Law Officer, however events relating to the COVID-19 outbreak had delayed the meeting. It was agreed that a meeting with the Law Officer would be organised in due course.	<b>KB</b>
<b>5. Draft Financial Services (Disclosure and Provision of Information) (Jersey) Law 202-</b>  The Panel noted that, due to the COVID-19 outbreak, the timeline for lodging the new Law had been delayed. It was agreed that the timeline would be monitored, and the Panel would continue its work on the Law once it had been lodged by the Minister for External Relations.	
<b>6. Draft Limited Liability Companies Amendment (Jersey) Law 201-</b>	

<p>The Panel noted that the amendment to the Law (which had been approved by the States Assembly in 2018 but not yet implemented) was due to be lodged imminently. The Panel agreed that it would review the amendment once it was lodged.</p>	
<p><b>7. Future Meetings</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that its next scheduled meeting would take place on 3rd April 2020 via Teams video conference.</p>	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 25th March 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. COVID-19 Response</b></p> <p>The Panel discussed the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture's response to the business community in respect of the COVID-19 pandemic. It was noted that the Government of Jersey was working on plans to support businesses which would be announced publicly in due course. The Panel agreed to monitor the situation as and when announcements were made.</p> <p>The Panel was advised that it was due to have a 1:1 meeting with the Minister on Thursday 26th March via video conference. The Panel agreed a number of areas to ask the Minister during the meeting which included his priorities in terms of business sectors and what checks and balances would be in place to ensure employees received appropriate funding.</p> <p>The Panel received a proposal from the Good Business Charter which called for a "community liaison group for businesses and the economy" to be established. The Panel discussed the proposal and agreed that creating such a function within scrutiny would likely duplicate work that was already being undertaken by the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture. The Officer advised that that the Good Business Charter would be informed of the Panels discussions.</p>	<p><b>KB</b></p> <p><b>KB</b></p>



# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 26th March 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard [Item 2 only]
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Senator Lyndon Farnham, Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture [item 2 only] Tracy Mourant, Private Secretary to the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture [item 2 only] Darren Scott, Director, Economic Development, Growth, Housing and Environment [item 3 only] Charlotte Brambilla, Lead Policy Adviser Financial Services and Digital Economy [item 3 only]  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. COVID-19 Response</b></p> <p>The Panel discussed the Government's announcement that it would co-fund 80% of the wages of Jersey employees across a range of sectors, up to a maximum payment of £1,600 a month, under a revised Payroll Co-funding Scheme. In preparation for the video conference with the Minister, the Panel agreed a number of questions about the initiative.</p>	
<p><b>2. COVID-19 Response: Meeting with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture via video conference. The Panel discussed the Payroll Co-funding Scheme and the Minister advised that the scheme would be implemented for April to June 2020. If the crisis persisted, the timeline would be reviewed.</p> <p>The Minister also explained new provisions to support workers with less than five years' residency who may lose their employment and not qualify for Income Support.</p> <p>The Minister advised that his priority was supporting businesses, employers and employees through the COVID-19 pandemic.</p>	
<p><b>3. P.33/2020: Channel Islands Lottery: allocation of proceeds from 2019</b></p> <p>The Panel discussed P.33/2020 with the Director of Economic Development and the Lead Policy Advisor via video conference. It was noted that P.33/2020 had been lodged by the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture on 25th March for debate on 27th March. It was noted that the proposition asked States</p>	

<p>Members to approve that the proceeds from lottery tickets in 2018 and 2019 were given to the Association of Jersey Charities (AJC) to support the Island's needs arising from the COVID-19 pandemic. In total, the proposition specified that £1,762,380 of the funds were paid in tranches of £250,000 to the AJC subject to a new Service Level Agreement.</p>	
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<p>Once the Government officials had briefed the Panel on the proposition they withdrew from the video conference. The Panel discussed the matter and agreed that it would lodge an amendment to ensure the appropriate checks and balances were in place in respect of the funds being given to the AJC. The amendment was drafted and approved by the Panel.</p>	
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# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 31st March 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Senator Lyndon Farnham, Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Deputy Montfort Tadier, Assistant Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Tracy Mourant, Private Secretary to the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Darren Scott, Director, Economic Development, Growth, Housing and Environment Ian Clarkson, Policy Principal, Strategic Policy, Planning, Performance Dan Houseago, Group Director – Economy & Partnerships, Growth, Housing and Environment  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. COVID-19 Response: Meeting with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture, the Assistant Minister and Government Officials via video conference. The Panel discussed the Co-Funded Payroll Scheme and the Minister advised that further details on phase 2 of scheme would be published on 10th April.</p> <p>The Minister was also exploring other support schemes to help businesses through the COVID-19 crisis.</p> <p>The Panel was advised that a proposition was due to be lodged which would give large supermarkets additional scope to trade on Sundays for a period of 6 months. The Minister was hopeful that the proposition would be lodged imminently.</p>	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 3rd April 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard
Apologies	Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman
Absent	
In attendance	Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Monique Magalhaes, Project and Research Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. Records of Meetings</b>  The Panel deferred approving the records of its meetings until the next scheduled meeting.	
<b>2. Processes within External Relations Review</b>  The Panel recalled that, pre-Covid-19, it had requested a meeting with the Law Officers' Department to discuss the constitutional aspects of External Relations. The Panel agreed that, since it was gradually resuming business as usual work, the Law Officers' Department should be contacted so that a meeting could be arranged.	<b>KB</b>
<b>3. COVID-19 Response Review</b>  The Panel discussed the progress of its review. It agreed that its weekly catch-up meetings with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture had been beneficial in understanding the support measures for businesses. The Panel agreed that it would continue corresponding with the business community and pass on any concerns to the Minister. In that regard, the Panel agreed that a Public Hearing with the Minister should be organised via video conference so that measures to support businesses and any arising concerns could be discussed publicly.  The Panel agreed that its review should also include forward planning in terms of economic recovery for the Island. Deputy Perchard suggested that all Scrutiny Panels should undertake this work and agreed to submit a proposal to the Scrutiny Liaison Committee.	<b>JP</b>
<b>4. P.35/2020 - Draft Limited Liability Companies Amendment (Jersey) Law 201-</b>  The Panel noted that an amendment to the Limited Liability Companies Law (approved by the States Assembly but not yet implemented) had been lodged by the Minister for External Relations on 30th March 2020. The Panel agreed that, although the amendment was largely technical, it would request views from Jersey Finance.	<b>KB</b>
<b>5. Future meetings</b>  The Panel noted that its next scheduled meeting would take place on 17th April 2020 via video conference.	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 7th April 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard
Apologies	Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman
Absent	
In attendance	Murray Norton, Chief Executive Officer, Chamber of Commerce [Item 1] Jennifer Carnegie, President, Chamber of Commerce [Item 1]  Senator Lyndon Farnham, Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture [Item2] Tracy Mourant, Private Secretary to the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture [Item 2] Darren Scott, Director, Economic Development, Growth, Housing and Environment [Item 2] Richard Corrigan, Group Director - Financial Services and Digital Economy [Item 2]  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Monique Magalhaes, Project and Research Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. COVID-19 Response: Meeting with Chamber of Commerce</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Chief Executive Officer and President of the Chamber of Commerce (CoC) via video conference to discuss concerns raised by the business community. The CoC explained that the concerns they had received from businesses were about communication and the measures to support businesses. Specifically, the concerns were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• A lack of communication with businesses since the beginning of the Covid-19 crisis.</li> <li>• The Business Liaison Group had ceased meeting, however had been a beneficial way for Government to communicate with businesses.</li> <li>• There was a lack of detail on phase 1 of the co-funded payroll scheme and there had been no detail about what industries would be included in phase 2.</li> <li>• The decision-making processes for what industries were included in the co-funded payroll scheme had not been published. It was the CoC's view that there was a lack of transparency over decision-making.</li> <li>• Some freight companies in particular had found the crisis difficult and it was noted that key supply lines to Jersey may be affected.</li> </ul>	

<p>It was the CoC's view that an "Economic Emergency" should be declared by Government and that any support given to businesses should be considered on an emergency scale.</p> <p>The CoC advised that many businesses had offered their support and expertise to Government but the take-up of this had been lacking. The CoC believed that the Covid-19 crisis was a problem that involved everyone in Jersey.</p> <p>The CoC was also concerned that there was an apparent lack of strategy for economic recovery. It was the CoC's view that there would need to be contingency planning and a detailed plan for recovery in the near future.</p> <p>The Panel thanked the Chief Executive Officer and President of the CoC for their time. It was agreed that weekly catch-up meetings would be beneficial and that these would be organised in due course.</p>	<b>KB</b>
<p><b>2. COVID-19 Response: Meeting with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture and Government Officials via video conference. The Panel advised that it had met the Chief Executive Officer and President of the Chamber of Commerce and shared some of the concerns raised during the meeting.</p> <p>The Panel asked the Minister when details of phase 2 of the co-funded payroll scheme would be published. The Minister advised that further details, which would include a list of which industries were included and excluded from the scheme, would be published on 10th April. The Council of Ministers was due to discuss and approve the final details of the scheme imminently.</p> <p>The Panel also asked whether the Business Liaison Group would continue meeting and the Minister advised that the Group would reconvene meeting in due course. The Minister explained that work on the payroll scheme had been undertaken since the Group had last met.</p> <p>The Panel thanked the Minister and Government Officials for their time.</p>	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 8th April 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard
Apologies	Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman
Absent	
In attendance	Graeme Smith, Chief Executive Officer, Jersey Business  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Monique Magalhaes, Project and Research Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. COVID-19 Response: Meeting with Jersey Business</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Jersey Business to discuss the business community in light of the Covid-19 crisis. It was noted that Jersey Business had been providing a support service to businesses who had queries relating to Government support measures. The CEO explained that in particular Jersey Business was providing support in the following areas:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The Payroll Co-Funding Scheme</li><li>• Advice for landlords and tenants</li><li>• Information on the Business Disruption Loan Guarantee</li></ul> <p>The CEO explained that Jersey Business had fielded many phone calls and queries since the beginning of the crisis. There had also been 14,500 new users on the Jersey Business website and 1,400 clients had been contacted by the team.</p> <p>The CEO explained that the main concerns were about phase 1 of the payroll scheme and the application process. It was understood that the construction industry would be included in phase 2 of the payroll scheme but there was confusion over what work would be classified as essential.</p> <p>The CEO advised that there would be challenges faced by both businesses and the Government throughout the crisis. It was likely that there would be an economic recession after the crisis.</p> <p>The CEO explained that, on a positive note, since the crisis had occurred, some businesses had demonstrated operational resilience. For example, some restaurants were providing take-away services as opposed to in-house services. The CEO also explained that some businesses were being creative with the services they offered and putting forward innovative ideas on how they could continue conducting business.</p> <p>The Panel thanked the CEO for his time.</p>	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 14th April 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard
Apologies	Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman
Absent	
In attendance	Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Monique Magalhaes, Project and Research Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. COVID-19 Response Review</b></p> <p>The Panel met via video conference to discuss progress of its review of the Covid-19 crisis. The Panel noted that it was due to hold a Public Hearing with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture on 16th April. The Panel was advised that a draft question plan had been circulated for approval.</p> <p>The Panel discussed measures being undertaken by other countries in response to the crisis. The Panel noted in particular a series of reports on Government support schemes in other countries by the TMF Group (an organisation which included payroll, accounting, corporate secretarial and capital markets and fund experts). The Panel agreed to read the reports and note down any suggestions which could be put forward in the Jersey context.</p>	



# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 16th April 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard
Apologies	Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman
Absent	
In attendance	Senator Lyndon Farnham, Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Deputy Montfort Tadier, Assistant Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Tracy Maurant, Private Secretary to the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Richard Corrigan, Group Director - Financial Services and Digital Economy  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Monique Magalhaes, Project and Research Officer Theodore Stone, Assistant Scrutiny Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. COVID-19 Response: Public Hearing with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture</b>  The Panel held a Public Hearing with the Minister, Assistant Minister and Government Officials via video conference.	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 17th April 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard
Apologies	Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman
Absent	
In attendance	<p><b><u>Item 5</u></b></p> <p>Simon Soar, Chief Executive Officer, Jersey Hospitality Association</p> <p><b><u>Item 6</u></b></p> <p>Ruth Johnson, Head of Policy, Strategic Policy, Planning and Performance John Rogers, Former Director General, Growth, Housing and Environment Richard Glover, Head of Planning, Growth, Housing and Environment Deputy Mary Le Hegarat, Chair, Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel Deputy Carina Alves, Member, Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel</p> <p>Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Monique Magalhaes, Project and Research Officer</p>

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Records of Meetings</b></p> <p>The Panel approved the records of its meetings held on 20th, 25th and 26th March 2020. The Panel raised a couple of queries in relation to the private record taken on 9th March. The Officer advised that the queries would be addressed, and the record would be attached to the next agenda.</p>	<b>KB</b>
<p><b>2. Processes within External Relations Review</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that the Law Officers' Department had been contacted to discuss the constitutional aspects of External Relations. The Officer advised that a meeting would be organised in due course.</p>	<b>KB</b>
<p><b>3. P.35/2020 - Draft Limited Liability Companies Amendment (Jersey) Law 201-</b></p> <p>The Panel recalled that it had asked Jersey Finance for views on the proposed amendments to the Limited Liability Companies Law (yet to be implemented). The Panel noted that Jersey Finance had responded and was supportive of the amendment.</p> <p>In light of the response from Jersey Finance, the Panel requested that a Comments paper was drafted in time for the debate in May 2020.</p>	<b>KB</b>
<b>4. COVID-19 Response Review</b>	

<p>The Panel discussed the progress of its review and agreed that the Public Hearing with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture had been successful. In that regard, the Panel agreed that it should hold further Public Hearings (via video conference) with the Chamber of Commerce, Jersey Hospitality Association and another with the Minister for Economic Development. It was noted that other witnesses may be identified in due course.</p> <p>The Panel agreed that it had gathered a vast amount of evidence thus far and requested that a report was drafted. The Panel agreed that the report should detail the evidence gathered since 5th March 2020 and should focus on the response of the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture.</p>	<b>KB</b>
<p><b>5. COVID-19 Response: Meeting with the Chief Executive Officer of the Jersey Hospitality Association</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of the Jersey Hospitality Association for a meeting on the Government's response to Covid-19. The CEO explained that the response from the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture had been welcomed and in particular the support packages available to businesses. It was noted however that the communication surrounding the Government response in general could be improved.</p> <p>The CEO explained that the Jersey Hospitality Association had been working closely with the Chamber of Commerce in order to represent and convey the concerns of the business community.</p> <p>Due to an urgent briefing on the Draft Covid-19 (Construction Work) (Jersey) Regulations it was agreed that another meeting would be organised in due course with the CEO to discuss his views in more depth.</p>	<b>KB</b>
<p><b>6. COVID-19 Response: Briefing on Draft Covid-19 (Construction Work) (Jersey) Regulations</b></p> <p>The Panel met Government Officials for a briefing on the draft Covid-19 (Construction Work) Regulations. It was noted that the draft regulations were due to be lodged by the Minister for Health and Social Services. The Head of Policy explained that the construction industry would normally be the remit of the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture however, as the regulations were a public health control measure they would be lodged by the Minister for Health and Social Services.</p> <p>The purpose of the draft regulations would make it an offence, punishable by a fine, to undertake restricted construction work. The regulations would also make it an offence, punishable by a fine and/or up to two years' imprisonment, to knowingly give false or misleading information about a site. The main purpose of the regulations was to help limit the transmission of Covid-19 by restricting some forms of construction.</p> <p>The Head of Policy explained that the restriction would be implemented via Ministerial Order, signed by the Minister for Health and Social Services. The Order would restrict or prohibit construction sites to operate. The Panel requested a copy of the draft Order.</p> <p>The Director General of Growth, Housing and Environment explained that the construction sites may be authorised to operate under a permit scheme. The Panel</p>	

asked why the permit scheme had already been implemented even though the draft regulations had not been approved by the States Assembly. The Director General advised that a number of permits had been issued before there was a legislative basis because a number of sites were considered essential.

It was also acknowledged that a number of sites had been instructed to close before there was a legislative basis to enforce closures. The Government Officials acknowledged that there had been no legal requirement for sites to close, or remain closed, however closures could have been introduced via a tightening of Ministerial Order under Article 5 of the Covid-19 (Screening, Assessment and Isolation) (Amendment) (Jersey) Regulations 2020.

The Director General explained that, given the unprecedented times with the Covid-19 crisis, and the associated urgency to minimise the spread of the virus, construction sites had been instructed to close by 4th April in the interests of health and safety.

The Panel explained that some construction workers had contacted Panel Members independently to raise concerns about safety whilst working on sites. The Head of Policy advised that it would be a condition of any permit issued that the contractor must display posters providing workers and others with information about who to contact if they had concerns about the operation of a site. The Panel asked whether a specific requirement could be included within the Order/permit that would ensure that employers could not force an employee to work on site. The Head of Policy agreed that this would be discussed with the Minister for Health and Social Services.

The Panel thanked the Government Officials for their time and they left the video conference.

The Panel agreed that a Comments paper should be drafted in order to inform the States debate on 21st April.

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**7. Future meetings**

The Panel noted that its next scheduled meeting would take place on 1st May 2020 via video conference.

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 20th April 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Senator Kristina Moore
Apologies	Deputy Jess Perchard
Absent	
In attendance	Murray Norton, Chief Executive Officer, Chamber of Commerce [Item 1] Jennifer Carnegie, President, Chamber of Commerce [Item 1]  Deputy Carina Alves, Member of the Health and Social Security Panel [Item 2]  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Monique Magalhaes, Project and Research Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. COVID-19 Response: Meeting with Chamber of Commerce</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Chief Executive Officer and President of the Chamber of Commerce (CoC) via video conference to discuss concerns raised by the business community. The following concerns were noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The CoC explained that since its previous meeting with the Panel on 7th April, communication with the business community was still an issue.</li><li>• There were concerns within the business community that the Government was procuring off-island services when they could be provided by local businesses.</li><li>• The CoC explained that there may be some businesses who had not applied for the co-funded payroll scheme and that it was unclear how many had applied to date.</li><li>• The decision to delay changes to the Goods and Service Tax (GST) due to the Covid-19 crisis and what it would mean for businesses.</li></ul> <p>The Panel thanked the Chief Executive Officer and President of the CoC for their time and they exited the video conference.</p>	
<p><b>2. COVID-19 Response: Draft Covid-19 (Construction Work) (Jersey) Regulations (P.49/2020)</b></p> <p>The Panel noted and approved its Comments paper on P.49/2020. The Panel agreed that, although it supported the purpose of the proposition, it had reservations about the enforcement aspects of the permit scheme. In that regard, the Panel requested</p>	

that a meeting was organised with the Minister for Health and Social Services to discuss its concerns further.	<b>KB</b>
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# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 23rd April 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard
Apologies	Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman
Absent	
In attendance	Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Katie Griffiths, Committee and Panel Officer Monique Magalhaes, Project and Research Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. COVID-19 Response Review</b></p> <p>The Panel discussed the progress of its review and agreed that it had gathered some useful evidence thus far. It discussed the issues raised during the meeting with representatives from the Chamber of Commerce on 20th April and agreed that these would be discussed with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture. In that regard the Panel was advised that its weekly catch-up meeting with the Minister had been rescheduled to 24th April.</p> <p>The Panel noted that a decision had been made to delay changes to the Goods and Services Tax (GST) due to the Covid-19 crisis. The Chamber of Commerce had highlighted this as a potential issue for businesses and the Panel agreed that it would request a formal response from the Chamber of Commerce on this issue. Once a formal response had been received, the Panel agreed that it would ask other organisations, such as the Jersey Retail Association and Jersey Hospitality Association for their views.</p> <p>The Panel recalled a suggestion from Deputy Perchard that its work on Covid-19 should include the future recovery programme. The Panel agreed that this would be included in its review and it was agreed that Deputy Perchard and Officers from the Scrutiny section would discuss how this could be approached. It was agreed that the outcome of the discussion would be discussed by the Panel in due course.</p>	<p>KB</p> <p>KB/JP</p>
<p><b>2. Channel Islands Competition and Regulatory Authorities (CICRA)</b></p> <p>The Panel discussed the announcement that CICRA would de-merge from 1st July 2020. The Panel was disappointed that it had not been advised of the decision before it had been announced in the media.</p> <p>The Panel noted that a letter had been drafted to the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture requesting all correspondence in relation to this matter. The Panel agreed that it would be important to understand how the decision had been made. The Panel also requested that a letter was drafted to the</p>	<p>KB</p>

Chief Executive of CICRA to ask what level of consultation there had been in the lead up to the decision.	
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# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 24th April 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard
Apologies	Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman
Absent	
In attendance	Senator Lyndon Farnham, Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Deputy Montfort Tadier, Assistant Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Senator Steve Pallett, Assistant Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Tracy Mourant, Private Secretary to the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Darren Scott, Director, Economic Development, Growth, Housing and Environment Richard Corrigan, Group Director - Financial Services and Digital Economy  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Monique Magalhaes, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Meeting with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Minister, Assistant Ministers and Government Officials via video conference. The meeting was predominantly to discuss the Minister's response to Covid-19 but other business as usual matters were also discussed.</p> <p><b>COVID-19 Response</b></p> <p>The Panel had previously been advised by the Minister that an updated co-funded payroll scheme was being explored. It was noted that the guidance for phase 2 of the scheme was due to be published imminently. The Panel requested the details of the updated scheme as soon as they were available as well as the guidance document for phase 2.</p> <p><b>Draft Liquor Licensing (Jersey) Law 202-</b></p> <p>The Panel asked for an update on the Draft Liquor Licensing Law. The Minister advised that, pre-Covid-19, a meeting had taken place with the Bailiff and HM Attorney General. The Assistant Minister (Senator Pallett) advised that he was committed to working with Officials from Strategic Policy, Planning and Performance</p>	

to lodge a final version of the Law. It was noted that work on it had been superseded by other legislative matters related to Covid-19 and that the Assistant Minister was mindful that there had to be adequate resources for it to be taken forward.

### **Channel Islands Competition and Regulatory Authorities (CICRA)**

The Minister noted that the Panel had requested all correspondence relating to the decision to demerge CICRA. The Minister advised that the information would be passed onto the Panel as soon as possible.

### **Allocation of lottery funds**

The Panel recalled that a Proposition (P.33/2020) had been lodged on 25th March by the Minister which had asked the States to approve the allocation of £1,762,380, to be given in tranches, to the Association of Jersey Charities. The Minister had subsequently withdrawn the Proposition due to a new coalition of organisations called the Funders' Group which had been created to distribute money for charities to help with the Covid-19 response.

The Panel was provided with an update on the Funders' Group and it was noted that formal arrangements between it and the Government of Jersey would be agreed in due course. It was agreed that the Panel would be provided with an update on this work during the week commencing 27th April.

The Panel thanked the Minister, Assistant Ministers and Government Officials for their time and they left the video conference.

The Panel agreed that a review of the de-merging of CICRA may be necessary. A final decision on the matter would be made once the Panel had received all of the information it had requested from the Department.

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 28th April 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer  <b>Item 1</b>  Murray Norton, Chief Executive Officer, Chamber of Commerce Jennifer Carnegie, President, Chamber of Commerce  <b>Item 2</b>  Ian Burns, Director General, Customer and Local Services Sue Duhamel, Director, Employment and Social Security Kim Baker, Private Secretary, Minister for Social Security  Deputy Mary Le Hegarat, Chair, Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel Deputy Kevin Pamplin, Vice-Chair, Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel Deputy Trevor Pointon, Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel Deputy Carina Alves, Health and Social Security Panel  Sammy McKee, Committee and Panel Officer Monique Magalheas, Research and Project Officer Ben Walker, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Covid-19 Response: Meeting with the Chamber of Commerce</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Chief Executive Officer and President of the Chamber of Commerce (CoC) via video conference to discuss the response to Covid-19 and concerns raised by the business community. The following was noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The CoC explained that a number of “Think Tanks” had been established which were focussing on economic recovery. It was noted that these Think Tanks had been established separately by both private organisations and the Government. It was the Chamber’s view that this had resulted in a fragmented approach.</li></ul>	

- The Panel discussed the possibility of organising a meeting with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture and representatives from the business community for a “round table” discussion on the concerns and plans for future recovery. The Panel agreed that this would be explored further in due course and would need the Minister’s agreement in the first instance.
- It was agreed that the recovery programme should be based on a short, medium and long-term plan.
- The co-funded payroll scheme was discussed and it was noted that guidance on phase 2 of the scheme had been published on 24th April. The CoC raised a concern that, in order for self-employed workers to be eligible for the scheme, the subsidy was calculated using a self-declared average monthly gross income for 2019. This would be compared to the gross income confirmed on their 2019 tax return and subsequent tax assessment, but some businesses would not yet have returned their tax forms.
- The CoC advised that fuel suppliers were struggling due to the crisis and that they were a critical infrastructure.
- The CoC advised that businesses were already planning for a gradual lift in the lockdown measures. In that regard it was noted that some restaurants and bars were thinking of ways in which they could operate safely, whilst adhering to the social distancing rules.

The Panel thanked the Chief Executive Officer and President of the CoC for their time and they exited the video conference.

## **2. Covid-19 Response: Meeting with Director General, Customer and Local Services**

The Panel met the Director General (DG) and Government Officials from the Customer and Local Services Department to discuss how the co-funded payroll scheme interacted with the income support system.

The Panel asked the DG for a breakdown of the figures relating to how many people had applied for the payroll scheme and the Covid Related Emergency Support Scheme (CRESS). It was noted that the payroll scheme refunded employers in eligible businesses a proportion of their wage bill and the CRESS scheme aimed to support people who had worked in Jersey for less than 5 years and had lost their full-time employment due to Covid-19.

The DG explained that the Statistics Unit was due to publish a breakdown of the figures on 1st May, so any figures provided during the briefing were approximate. It was noted that since 20th March, around 1,000 people had applied for income support and around 300 people had applied for CRESS. The DG confirmed that CRESS was not backdated for those people who had not applied for the scheme immediately after it was implemented.

The DG advised that he expected the number of those Actively Seeking Work (ASW) to increase. The Government of Jersey was currently awaiting official forecasts from the Economics Unit.

The Panel asked whether any consideration had been given to assisting those with mortgages. The Head of Policy explained that, during the last recession in 2008, support for homeowners was considered but the demand had not been apparent to implement a support scheme. The Head of Policy advised that homeowners could claim income support for some bills such as Parish rates, but no support was currently available for mortgage payments. During the current Covid-19 crisis and the likely recession it would cause, the Department would be keeping support schemes under review.

In terms of other support services, the DG explained that the Customer and Local Services Department had assisted 25 people to travel to their home countries.

It was noted that, at the start of the pandemic, the Department had received many enquiries in relation to support services including income support, repatriation and social security contributions. The Panel asked whether it was likely that some people had “fallen through the net” in receiving support. The DG explained that, if people were not eligible to claim Government support, the Department had been contacting organisations from the voluntary sector for assistance.

The DG explained that, following the closure of the Paul Davis Freight Company and Rainbow Tots nurse, the Department had contacted a number of employees from the two companies to offer the insolvency benefit. The Head of Policy explained that the insolvency benefit had been created after the collapse of Woolworths in 2008. The Head of Policy explained that the benefit replicated pay for employees such as holiday pay and redundancy pay. It was confirmed that those accessing the insolvency benefit could then access the income support benefit.

A discussion on the co-funded payroll scheme followed and it was noted that the scheme was being administered by Customer and Local Services. It had been developed by the Treasury and Resources Minister with support from other Ministers including the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture.

The Head of Policy explained that, unlike the UK, the scheme allowed people to work even though they had applied for support. The DG explained that to date, a number of people from the retail and hospitality sectors had applied for the scheme. The DG advised that the Department was still processing claims but around 770 businesses had applied for the scheme which covered around 5,900 employees.

The DG explained that phase 2 of the payroll scheme was due to open for claims on 1st May. The implementation of phase 2 had been delayed due to the changes to the scheme and the subsequent guidance. The DG explained that the aim was that the first batch of payments would be made on 5th May.

The Panel asked whether the Department had been dealing with many enquiries about the scheme. The DG confirmed that the Department had dealt with a number of enquiries and that they had been working closely with Jersey Business. For businesses who were newly established, the DG also confirmed that those cases would be looked at on a bespoke basis.

The Panel thanked the Government Officials for their time and they exited the video conference.

### **3. Covid-19 Response Review**

<p>The Panel discussed the progress of its review and agreed that it should be more proactive in gathering information and not just reactive. In that regard, the Panel agreed to develop a short online survey for businesses who had accessed the co-funded payroll scheme. The survey responses would be analysed and a short report would be presented, along with the Panel's findings and/or recommendations.</p>	
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<p>The Panel agreed that it would aim to undertake a number of surveys on focussed topics with a view to presenting further short reports to Ministers under its remit. The Panel agreed that it should aim to undertake this process on a fortnightly basis.</p>	
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<p>The Panel agreed that it would formulate a number of questions for the survey to discuss at its next meeting on 29th April.</p>	
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# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 29th April 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. Covid-19 Response Review</b>  The Panel discussed its first survey targeted at the business community. The Panel agreed a number of questions for the survey which were focussed on the co-funded payroll scheme. It was agreed that the questions should be sent to Statistics Jersey for their comments.  The Panel agreed that once the questions were confirmed, the survey would be publicised on the website and on social media.  The Panel was advised that a company called "The Resolution Centre" (a consultancy company) had contacted the States Greffe offering its services. In relation to Scrutiny, the Resolution Centre had offered its assistance in gathering and collating views on the Government's response to Covid-19. The Panel requested further information on the company and the services it could provide. The Panel agreed that, should it engage a professional services company, other companies should be considered to ensure a formal tendering process.	<b>KB</b>  <b>KB</b>

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 30th April 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Senator Ian Gorst, Minister for External Relations David Walwyn, Director, External Relations James Roberts, Lead Policy Advisor, Financial Services Kate Nutt, Group Director, External Relations Tom Le Feuvre, Director, Global Markets & International Agreements Tom Wherry, Lead Policy Advisor, Financial Services and Brexit David Le Marquand, Private Secretary to the Minister for External Relations Beth Davies, Principal External Relations Officer (Brexit and Trade)  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Monique Magalhaes, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Meeting with the Minister for External Relations</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Minister for External Relations and Government Officials. The Minister firstly provided the Panel with an update on what work was being undertaken in relation to the Covid-19 response, and then explained other business as usual workstreams.</p> <p><b>Covid-19 Response</b></p> <p>The Minister explained that Government Officials from External Relations had been liaising with UK counterparts in order to undertake consular work. It was noted that a number of islanders had been in the UK when lockdown measures had been introduced. In the same vein, Officials had also organised the repatriation of Polish, Portuguese, Madeiran and Romanian citizens residing in the island.</p> <p>The Minister explained that the Global Markets Team within External Relations had worked with Blue Islands to ensure that an air service was provided for essential travel. It was noted that the service was between Southampton and Jersey and operated on a non-commercial basis, only being accessible to passengers who met the essential travel criteria. The travel criteria included:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Essential government workers or contractors travelling to/from Jersey for the purposes of their work.</li><li>• Essential private or voluntary sector workers for the purposes of their work.</li></ul>	



- Those travelling to/from the UK for non-emergency medical treatment.
- Those travelling to reach a permanent home in Jersey or the UK, or travel on urgent compassionate grounds.
- Non-British nationals travelling to reach a permanent home outside the UK.

The Minister explained that the team had also been corresponding with Officials from China and the United States about Personal Protective Equipment and testing.

### **Brexit**

The Panel noted that the UK's withdrawal from the European Union on 31st January had included a transition period until 31st December. During this time, the UK remained in the single market until a long-term relationship was agreed. If no agreement was reached and the transition period was not extended, a no-deal Brexit would remain the default outcome in January 2021. The Panel asked what impact the Covid-19 crisis had had on negotiations. This part of the meeting was held in private in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended) under Qualified Exemption Article 35.

### **Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) work on Taxation of the Digital Economy**

The Minister and Officials provided the Panel with an overview of the OECD work on taxation of the digital economy. This part of the meeting was held in private in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended) under Qualified Exemption Article 35.

The Panel thanked the Minister and Government Officials for their time and they exited the video conference.

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 1st May 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Monique Magalhaes, Research and Project Officer  <b><u>Item 3</u></b>  Deputy Richard Renouf, Minister for Health and Social Services Andrew Scate, Acting Director General, Growth, Housing and Environment John Rogers, Former Director General, Growth, Housing and Environment Richard Glover, Head of Planning, Growth, Housing and Environment Simon Thomas, Principal Building Control Surveyor Carl Dodd, Senior Engineer, Growth, Housing and Environment  Ben Walker, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. Records of Meetings</b>  The Panel noted and approved the records of its meetings held on 9th and 31st March and 3rd, 7th, 8th, 14th, 16th, 17th, 20th April 2020.	
<b>2. Covid-19 Response Review</b>  In terms of the Panel's survey targeted at the business community, the Panel noted comments from Statistics Jersey. The Panel agreed that it would review the comments and discuss and confirm the list of questions for its survey the week commencing 4th May.	
<b>3. Covid-19 Response: Meeting with the Health and Social Services Minister</b>  The Panel met the Minister for Health and Social Services and Government Officials for a briefing on the enforcement aspects of the permit scheme under P.49/2020 (Covid-19 (Construction Work) (Jersey) Regulations). It was noted that sites had been categorised and the granting of permits had been prioritised A, B and C: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Category A - sites which provided critical national infrastructure and services which kept the Island's residents and environment safe and secure.</li></ul>	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Category B: sites and services which provided services to the public which could operate safely in accordance with the site operating procedures.</li> <li>• Category C: all other sites and services which were currently operating and could operate safely in accordance with the site operating procedures.</li> </ul> <p>The Panel asked how many permits had been granted under category A. The former Director General of Growth, Housing and Environment advised that 170 applications had been received in total, 3 had been cancelled, 61 were under review and 66 permits had been issued. Under category A, 32 permits had been granted to date.</p> <p>In relation to the application process, it was noted that there was an online form that applicants were required to fill out. Government Officials from the Growth, Housing and Environment Department would review the applications and determine whether a permit should be granted. Officers would look at the application documents and assess whether the applicant had sufficiently understood social distancing procedures and hygiene risks and whether they had adequate procedures and controls to implement social distancing and hygiene requirements on site.</p> <p>The Principal Building Control Surveyor explained that the process so far had been collaborative with construction site agents. The primary purpose of the permit scheme was to ensure sites were operating safely.</p> <p>Once a permit had been granted to a construction site and the “Reviewer” had reviewed the applicant’s Risk Assessment and Method Statement (RAMS) a site visit would follow. In that regard, the Panel received a flowchart from the Principal Building Control Surveyor. It provided further explanation of the site visit process and when a breach was found. If it was a minor breach, the surveyor would engage with and educate the site agent. If a major breach was found, the surveyor would encourage the site agent to take action and enforce as necessary. It was noted that a result of a major breach could either be a withdrawal of the permit or a prosecution. In either eventuality, work on the construction site would be suspended.</p> <p>The Panel thanked the Government Officials for their time and they exited the video conference.</p>	
<p><b>4. Review of External Relations Processes</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that the Law Officers’ Department had agreed that it would meet the Panel to discuss the constitutional aspects of external relations. The Panel agreed that, as its workload was high, it would meet an Officer from the Department in due course.</p>	<p><b>KB</b></p>
<p><b>5. Government Plan</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that the Scrutiny Liaison Committee had requested that all Panels review their respective sections of the report (S.R.13/2020) on the Government Plan 2020 – 2023. It was advised that the purpose was to start a process of assessment and prioritisation of current Government Plan projects and initiatives and review how that have already changed, or may need to change, due to Covid-19 in preparation for the forthcoming Government (Recovery) Plan 2021.</p> <p>The Panel agreed that it would undertake a review of the projects within its remit. It agreed that it would undertake this work in the coming months.</p>	

<p><b>6. P.55/2020 - Draft Air Navigation (Rules of the Air) Amendment No.2) (Jersey)</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that P.55/2020 had been lodged by the Minister for External Relations and was due to be debated on 16th June. The Panel requested a briefing on the Proposition.</p>	<p><b>KB</b></p>
<p><b>7. P.35/2020 – Draft Limited Liability Companies Amendment (Jersey) Law 201-</b></p> <p>The Panel was advised that Comments were being drafted and would be circulated in due course for approval.</p>	<p><b>KB</b></p>
<p><b>8. Channel Island Competition Regulatory Authority</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that the information it had requested from the Growth, Housing and Environment Department had been received. The Panel agreed to review the documentation and discuss it at its next meeting.</p>	
<p><b>9. Dogs on Beaches</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that a Proposition was due to be lodged by the Assistant Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture that proposed to allow pet owners to continue walking their dogs on beaches without a lead during May. The Panel agreed that it would undertake a short review into the matter and requested that a briefing was organised with the Assistant Minister.</p>	<p><b>MM</b></p>
<p><b>10. Future Meetings</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that its next scheduled meeting would take place via video conference call on 22nd May 2020.</p>	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 7th May 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Senator Kristina Moore
Apologies	Deputy Jess Perchard
Absent	
In attendance	Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Monique Magalhaes, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Covid-19 Response Review</b></p> <p>The Panel met to discuss the progress of its review. In terms of the Panel's survey targeted at the business community, the Panel received an update on its progress. The Panel was advised that it had received a draft list of questions which needed to be approved before they were inputted into the online survey. The Panel was also advised that a communications plan had been drafted and would be implemented once the questions were approved. In that regard the Panel agreed to review the questions and approve them in due course.</p> <p>The Panel recalled that the Government of Jersey had indicated that, as part of the next level of unlock measures, hospitality businesses may be able to open their outside seating areas to serve food from 12th May. The Panel anticipated that the Government of Jersey would issue guidelines for businesses and requested a copy from the Growth, Housing and Environment Department. The Panel agreed that, once it had received a copy of the guidance, it would invite the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture to attend a Public Hearing.</p>	
<p><b>2. Channel Island Competition Regulatory Authority</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that the information it had requested from the Growth, Housing and Environment Department had been received. The Panel agreed to review the documentation and discuss its next steps.</p>	
<p><b>3. Dogs on Beaches</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that a Proposition to allow pet owners to continue walking their dogs on beaches without a lead during May was no longer being pursued by the Growth, Housing and Environment Department.</p>	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 11th May 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman [Item 1] Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Senator Kristina Moore
Apologies	Deputy Jess Perchard
Absent	
In attendance	<b>Item 1</b>  Senator Lyndon Farnham, Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Deputy Montfort Tadier, Assistant Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Senator Steve Pallett, Assistant Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Tracy Mourant, Private Secretary to the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Richard Corrigan, Group Director - Financial Services and Digital Economy Dan Houseago, Group Director - Economy  <b>Item 2</b>  Murray Norton, Chief Executive Officer, Chamber of Commerce Jennifer Carnegie, President, Chamber of Commerce  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Monique Magalhaes, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Covid-19 Response Review: Meeting with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Minister, Assistant Ministers and Government Officials via video conference to receive an update on the Minister's response to the Covid-19 crisis. The Minister advised that a press conference had been held earlier in the day to inform the public that Jersey had moved from Level 4 to Level 3 of the Safe Exit Framework. The Panel asked whether there had been any feedback from businesses and the Minister explained that some businesses were happy that they could reopen.</p> <p>The Panel noted that some businesses were unable to reopen under the Level 3 policy including dentists, opticians and hair salons. The Minister advised that the Government of Jersey was exploring ways in which businesses, who were unable to practice safe physical distancing, could reopen.</p>	

The Panel asked whether businesses were in supply of Personal Protective Equipment (PPE). The Minister advised he had not received any feedback from businesses in respect of PPE but it was acknowledged that it was more expensive to buy such items in small quantities.

The Panel noted that concerns had been expressed by Jersey Gas in relation to the company not being included in the co-funded payroll scheme. It was noted that a proposition had been lodged by Deputy Southern which asked the States Assembly to agree that the Minister should include Jersey Gas in the list of employers able to participate in the scheme. The Minister advised that he would not support the proposition and that utility companies had not been included because they were continuing to be used across the island.

The Panel thanked the Minister, Assistant Ministers and Government Officials for their time and they withdrew from the meeting.

## **2. Covid-19 Response Review: Meeting with the Chamber of Commerce**

The Panel met the Chief Executive Officer and President of the Chamber of Commerce (CoC) via video conference to discuss the response to Covid-19 and concerns raised by the business community. The following was noted:

- The CoC advised that the recent announcement to move from Level 4 to Level 3 on the Safe Exist Framework had been welcomed by some businesses, but the guidance published alongside the Level 3 policy should have been published earlier. The CoC explained that this would have provided businesses with more time to implement the measures contained in the guidelines.
- In terms of consultation, the Chair of CoC also advised that businesses had been required to submit their views on the guidelines quickly.
- In relation to the Level 3 policy, the CoC raised concern that, whilst some businesses were able to reopen and therefore employees would be able to return to work, schools would remain shut. Therefore, access to childcare could be an issue for some employees.
- It was noted that a number of “Think Tanks” had been established which were focussing on economic recovery. The CoC raised concern that the Think Tanks had been established separately by both private organisations and the Government which had resulted in a fragmented approach.

The Panel thanked the Chair and President of the CoC and they exited the video conference.

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 14th May 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Deputy Jess Perchard Senator Kristina Moore
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Ruth Johnson, Head of Policy, Strategic Policy, Planning and Performance  Deputy Mary Le Hegarat, Chair, Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel Deputy Kevin Pamplin, Vice-Chair, Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel Deputy Carina Alves, Member, Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel Deputy Trevor Point, Member, Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Monique Magalhaes, Research and Project Officer Aaron Travers, Research and Project Officer Ben Walker, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Covid-19 Response Review: Briefing on P.59/2020 “Covid-19 (Workplace Restrictions) (Jersey) Regulations 202-”</b></p> <p>The Panel, along with the Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel, met the Head of Policy for a briefing on the above proposition. It was noted that the draft Regulations had been lodged by the Minister for Health and Social Services on 14th May 2020 and were due to be debated on 19th May. The Panel raised a concern that the time afforded to scrutinise the Regulations was not sufficient and that it was disappointed the Minister for Health and Social Services was not present for the briefing.</p> <p>The Head of Policy explained that the draft Regulations would make it an offence, punishable by a fine, to open a workplace in contravention of a restriction Order. The draft Regulations were intended to provide the legislative measures to support a managed relaxation of the public health controls imposed to protect against the spread of Covid-19. The aim was to support a safe transition to “back to business”.</p> <p>The Panel was advised that the draft Regulations would replace the existing Covid-19 (Restricted Trading) (Jersey) Regulations 2020 but not the existing Covid-19 (Construction Work) (Jersey) Regulations 2020. The Head of Policy explained that replacing the Restricted Trading Regulations would ensure that there was one single legislative regime that applied to all workplaces. This would avoid any complications</p>	



that could occur in some dual or multi-purpose businesses. For example, if a firm was providing both business-to-business services (not trade) and services directly to members of the public (trade) on a single site.

The Head of Policy explained that a workplace was defined in the draft Regulations as any place in which a person worked, whether outdoors or indoors, in any part of a building, vehicle or vessel. Furthermore, the workplace would not include a person's home – unless a service was provided to another person in that home, for example, clients attending appointments in a professional's own home.

The Panel was asked whether the Regulations were necessary, given that a Health and Safety at Work (Jersey) Law 1989 already existed. The Head of Policy advised that the Law was unable to introduce all of the necessary provisions required, for example, staggered opening times.

The Panel thanked the Head of Policy for her time and requested that a second briefing was organised with the Minister for Health and Social Services in attendance.

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# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 15th May 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Deputy Jess Perchard [Item 1] Senator Kristina Moore
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	<p>Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer</p> <p><b>Item 1</b></p> <p>Senator Lyndon Farnham, Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture            Senator Steve Pallett, Assistant Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture            Deputy Montfort Tadier, Assistant Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture            Richard Corrigan, Group Director - Financial Services and Digital Economy            Megan Mathias, Group Director, Policy, Strategic Policy, Planning and Performance            Dan Houseago, Group Director, Economy, Growth, Housing and Environment            Tracy Mourant, Private Secretary to the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture</p> <p>Theodore Stone, Assistant Scrutiny Officer</p> <p><b>Item 2</b></p> <p>Deputy Richard Renouf, Minister for Health and Social Services            Ruth Johnson, Head of Policy, Strategic Policy, Planning and Performance</p> <p>Deputy Mary Le Hegarat, Chair, Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel            Deputy Kevin Pamplin, Vice-Chairman, Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel            Deputy Carina Alves, Member, Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel</p>

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. COVID-19 Response: Public Hearing with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture</b></p> <p>The Panel held a Public Hearing with the Minister, Assistant Minister and Government Officials via video conference.</p>	

## **2. Covid-19 Response Review: Briefing on P.59/2020 “Covid-19 (Workplace Restrictions) (Jersey) Regulations 202-”**

The Panel, along with the Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel, met the Minister for Health and Social Services and Head of Policy for a briefing on the Covid-19 (Workplace Restrictions) (Jersey) Regulations 202- (the 'draft Regulations'. It was recalled that both Panels had received a briefing from the Head of Policy on 14th May but had requested an additional briefing with the Minister.

The Panel asked whether the draft Regulations were necessary, given that the Health and Safety at Work (Jersey) Law 1989 already existed. The Head of Policy advised that an options analysis was carried out by Strategic Policy, Planning and Performance which considered a number of options including whether the Health and Safety at Work Law could facilitate all of the provisions intended within the draft Regulations.

The result of the analysis was that the Health and Safety at Work Law could not introduce all of the necessary provisions, for example, there were no adequate controls under the Law to provide for staggered opening times or for businesses to remain shut. It was noted that the ability to stagger opening times, or keep businesses in certain locations shut, may be needed to help manage footfall and therefore help limit Covid-19 transmission. The Minister advised that the decision was taken to draft a new set of Regulations which were time limited and were drafted specifically to deal with the Covid-19 emergency.

The Panel noted that the Covid-19 (Restricted Trading) (Jersey) Regulations 2020 already provided controls on business premises for the purpose of trading. In that regard, the Panel questioned why a new set of Regulations was required and whether it would be possible to rely on the Restricted Trading Regulations and issue a Code of Practice under the Health and Safety at Work Law. The Head of Policy advised that it was not clear whether it would be possible to make a distinction between places of work under the Restricted Trading Regulations (i.e. trading businesses) and other places of work (i.e. trade and non-trade businesses). Therefore, the most appropriate course of action agreed by the Minister was to draft a new set of Regulations which would ensure that services delivered from a single place of work would not fall under two different sets of Regulations.

The Panel noted the short time period from when the draft Regulations were lodged and the debate date. The Panel expressed its disappointment of the short timescale to undertake scrutiny on the legislation. The Minister acknowledged the Panel's concerns and agreed to provide scrutiny with the Ministerial (restriction) Order before it was signed. The Minister advised that an amendment to reflect the decision would be lodged imminently.

The Panel thanked the Minister and Head of Policy for their time and they exited the video conference.

The Panel requested that a Comments paper was drafted to inform the States debate scheduled for 19th May.

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 21st May 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy Jess Perchard Senator Kristina Moore
Apologies	Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair
Absent	
In attendance	Dan Marcos, Head of International Compliance, Office of the Chief Executive Gregory White, Legal Advisor, Law Officers' Department  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Monique Magalhaes, Research and Project Officer Ben Walker, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Draft Air Navigation (Rules of the Air) (Amendment No.2) (Jersey) Regulations 202- (P.55/2020)</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Head of International Compliance and Legal Advisor for a briefing on the above proposition. It was noted that the draft Regulations primarily sought to update and expand the definition of "safety-sensitive personnel" to include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• aerodrome operations personnel,</li><li>• rescue,</li><li>• fire-fighting and maintenance personnel,</li><li>• personnel allowed unescorted access to the movement area</li></ul> <p>These inclusions were in addition to crew members, aircraft maintenance personnel and air traffic controllers. The Head of International Compliance also advised that the Regulations would improve the safety of civil aviation in Jersey and would bring the Rules of the Air Regulations in line with the current Standardised European Rules of the Air (SERA). It was noted that safety-sensitive personnel were prohibited from undertaking a function while under the influence of any psychoactive substances.</p> <p>The Panel asked for the definition of "psychoactive substances". It was agreed that the Legal Advisor would check existing legislation and provide a response to the Panel in due course.</p> <p>The Panel also asked whether Ports of Jersey personnel were included under the definition of 'safety-sensitive personnel'. The Head of International Compliance advised that he would check the definition and provide a response to the Panel in due course.</p>	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 22nd May 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Deputy Jess Perchard Senator Kristina Moore
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. Records of Meetings</b>  The Panel noted and approved the records of its meetings held on 23rd, 24th, 28th, 29th and 30th April 2020 and 1st and 7th May 2020.	
<b>2. Covid-19 Response Review</b>  The Panel received a draft Scoping Document and Terms of Reference for its joint review with the Corporate Services Panel on the Covid-19 recovery work. It was noted that both the Scoping Document and Terms of Reference had been drafted collaboratively with the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel due to the crossover of remits. The Panel approved both documents.  The Panel recalled that it was due to issue an online survey to the business community. It was noted that two other surveys, similar to the Panel's, had been undertaken by private organisations. The Panel agreed that it would delay issuing its survey and would discuss the matter again in due course. It was agreed that the survey may be broadened to include other areas in relation to the Covid-19 crisis.	
<b>3. External Relations Processes</b>  The Panel noted that a meeting with two Law Officers would take place on 1st June at 10:30am.	
<b>4. Channel Island Competition Regulatory Authority</b>  The Panel agreed that it would review the decision-making process to demerge CICRA into two separate regulatory authorities for Jersey and Guernsey. In that regard, the Panel requested the Officer to draft a Scoping Document and Terms of Reference for approval.	<b>KB</b>
<b>5. Minister for International Relations</b>  The Panel noted that, due to its work on the Covid-19 crisis, it had not met with the Minister for International Development. In that regard, the Panel requested that a Quarterly Hearing was arranged with the Minister in due course.	<b>KB</b>

<b>6. Future Meetings</b>	
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The Panel noted that its next scheduled meeting would take place on 12th June 2020 via video conference.	
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# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 27th May 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Deputy Jess Perchard Senator Kristina Moore
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Murray Norton, Chief Executive Officer, Chamber of Commerce Jennifer Carnegie, President, Chamber of Commerce  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Ben Walker, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Covid-19 Response Review: Meeting with the Chamber of Commerce</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Chief Executive Officer and President of the Chamber of Commerce (CoC) via video conference to discuss the response to Covid-19 and concerns raised by the business community. The following was noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The CoC raised concerns about cyber security given the increase in employees working remotely from home.</li><li>• The CoC also raised concerns about the Minister for Social Security's announcement about family friendly legislation. The Minister had lodged a proposition to implement the 52 weeks leave for both parents, with 6 weeks paid by the employer on 28th June (Appointed Day Act). As an interim measure, a temporary subsidy scheme would be introduced to support employers with their additional costs, once the legal right for paid leave had been extended.</li></ul> <p>The CoC was concerned about the timing of the parental leave measures and had met the Minister to relay its concerns. During the meeting the CoC had urged the Minister to consider a delay to the start of the legislation by at least 8 weeks.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The CoC raised the issue of the GST de minimis level and the impact on local retailers. It was the CoC's view that the de minimis level placed local businesses at a disadvantage, compared to those selling online into the island from overseas. It was acknowledged that the Covid-19 crisis had increased the demand for purchasing items online and had placed island businesses at a further disadvantage.</li></ul>	

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• It was noted that measures had been recently introduced to pedestrianise certain roads in St Helier. The CoC advised that there had been no consultation with businesses about the new measures and some large and small retailers were concerned. It was unclear as to whether other stakeholders had been consulted about the changes such as disability groups.</li></ul> |  |
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The Panel thanked the Chair and President of the CoC for their time and they exited the video conference.



# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 28th May 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Senator Lyndon Farnham, Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Tracy Mourant, Private Secretary to the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Monique Magalhaes, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Covid-19 Response: Meeting with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Minister via video conference to discuss the response to the Covid-19 outbreak in respect of his remit.</p> <p>The Panel noted that an in-committee debate on the Economic Recovery Strategy was due to take place on 2nd June. The Minister explained that it was important that all members of the States Assembly were involved in the rebuilding of the economy. It was noted that the Economic Recovery Strategy would be provided to the Panel and the States Assembly before the debate.</p> <p>The Panel asked what consideration the Council of Ministers had given to the Economic Recovery Strategy. The Minister explained that the Council of Ministers had approved the framework for the strategy, however, no detailed discussions for the recovery process had been undertaken.</p> <p>The Panel questioned the Minister in relation to the structure of the Economic Council and Political Oversight Group. The Minister explained that the Political Oversight Group sat below the Economic Council and that the Council would act as a conduit to bring together information which would be used to gain ideas for the economic recovery process. The Minister advised that the framework for this had been agreed, however, the Terms of Reference were still being considered.</p> <p>The Panel asked when the Economic Council activity would commence. The Minister explained that the first Economic Council meeting was likely to take place the week commencing 1st June and that the Political Oversight Group had already met on two</p>	

occasions. The Minister emphasised the importance of commencing this activity as quickly as possible as it was vital to the rebuilding of the economy.

The Minister explained that some businesses, particularly in the hair and beauty sector needed to reopen otherwise many of them would close.

The Panel asked the Minister which sectors had suffered the most by the Covid-19 position. The Minister explained that it was likely that the tourism sector had been worst hit by the crisis. The Minister went on to state that many businesses that had been allowed to open were experiencing a quiet period as the public adjusted to the new level 3 guidelines.

The Minister explained that some businesses had highlighted concerns around the claim structure of the Co-funded Payroll Scheme whereby a business needed to demonstrate a reduction of 70% in the month for which they made the claim. An example of an alfresco restaurant was given, where the improvement in the weather had meant that the restaurant for the month of June could fall just outside of the bracket of eligibility and may not be able to claim for that month. The Panel explained that, nevertheless, the business would still require support. The Minister explained that the requirement was for the Scheme to cover an accumulative period rather than considering the income received on a monthly basis.

The Panel questioned the Minister on potential reciprocal travel arrangements with other jurisdictions, an example of Madeira as a possible destination was mentioned. The Minister stated that he was not aware of discussions around such arrangements with Madeira, however, suggested that a “travel bubble” within the Channel Islands would be a good idea. The Minister explained that controlling Jersey’s borders was paramount and that a reliable testing regime was needed before travel links could commence. Furthermore, he explained that discussions were being undertaken with regards to a testing regime.

The Panel asked whether saliva testing was a possibility as part of the testing regime for travellers arriving into Jersey. The Panel suggested that as Jersey had managed to control the virus outbreak, this could potentially be a unique selling point (USP) for Jersey which could increase travellers to Jersey from the United Kingdom. The Minister agreed that it could be a USP for Jersey as people wanted to go on holiday somewhere safe, however, it was important that Jersey had a robust and reliable testing regime.

The Panel thanked the Minister and his Private Secretary for their time and they exited the video conference.

## **2. Family Friendly Employment Rights**

The Panel discussed the Minister for Social Security’s decision to bring forward the Appointed Day Act in respect of the changes to the family friendly employment law during the current Covid-19 Crisis. The changes would extend family-friendly rights to include six weeks paid leave for both parents. The Panel requested that a letter was drafted to the Minister regarding the timing of the implementation of the proposals which would coincide with the covid-19 crisis and could cause an additional burden for businesses at this time.

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# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 1st June 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard [Item 1 and part of item 2]
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	<b>Item 1</b>  Matthew Berry, Legal Advisor, Law Officers' Department Victoria Bell, Legal Advisor, Law Officers' Department  <b>Item 2</b>  Murray Norton, Chief Executive Officer, Chamber of Commerce Jennifer Carnegie, President, Chamber of Commerce  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Monique Magalhaes, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. External Relations Processes Review</b>  The Panel met Matthew Berry and Victoria Bell from the Law Officers' Department for a discussion on constitutional matters relating to External Relations. This meeting was held in private in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended) under Qualified Exemption Article 31.	
<b>2. Covid-19 Response Review: Meeting with the Chamber of Commerce</b>  The Panel met the Chief Executive Officer and President of the Chamber of Commerce (CoC) via video conference to discuss the response to Covid-19 and concerns raised by the business community. The following was noted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The Deputy Chief Minister (Senator Lyndon Farnham) had announced that Jersey would move to Level 2 of the Safe Exit Strategy from 12th June 2020. The CoC commented that it would be useful to know the timescale for moving to Level 1 of the Framework in order that businesses could prepare.</li><li>It was noted that the Chief Minister had established a governance structure for planning and delivery of Jersey's economic recovery. In that regard, a Political Oversight Group had been formed as well as an Economic Recovery Council. It was confirmed that the Chief Executive Officer of the CoC was a member of the Council, but it was the CoC's view that more of their members should be able to join in discussions.</li></ul>	

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• It was noted that there were currently 2 active cases of Covid-19 in Jersey. In that regard, it was agreed that a “travel bubble” could be established for the Channel Islands, given that Guernsey had 0 cases. Furthermore, if islanders were able to travel freely between each Channel Island, it would be a positive step towards economic recovery.</li></ul> |  |
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The Panel thanked the Chief Executive Officer and President of the CoC for their time and they exited the video conference.

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 4th June 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Senator Kristina Moore
Apologies	Deputy Jess Perchard
Absent	
In attendance	Charlotte Brambilla, Lead Policy Advisor Financial Services, Strategic Policy, Planning and Performance [item 1 only] James Silverston, Director Financial Services, Office of the Chief Executive [item 1 only]  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Monique Magalhaes, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Briefing: Amendment to Limited Partnership (Jersey) Law 1994</b></p> <p>The Panel received a briefing on proposals to lodge “Triennial Regulations” to supplement the Limited Partnership (Jersey) Law 1994. The briefing was provided by Charlotte Brambilla, Lead Policy Advisor Financial Services and James Silverston, Director Financial Services, via video conference. This meeting was held in private in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended) under Qualified Exemption Article 35.</p>	
<p><b>2. Family Friendly Employment Rights</b></p> <p>The Panel recalled that it had drafted a letter to the Minister for Social Security indicating its concerns over the timing of implementation of the family friendly employment rights. The Panel agreed to expand on the concerns drafted in the letter and requested the Officer to make the necessary changes.</p> <p>Additionally, the Panel agreed it would send the letter within an email, once finalised, to all States Members, prior to the debate on the Appointed Day Act, in order to inform Members of the Panel’s concerns.</p>	<p><b>KB</b></p> <p><b>KB</b></p>
<p><b>3. Covid-19 Response: Travel Policy and Redevelopment of the Airport</b></p> <p>The Panel noted the Proposition, P.68/2020, lodged by Deputy J.M. Maçon on 2nd June in relation to the lifting of the current travel restrictions as a result of the easing of lockdown in Jersey. The Panel noted that the requirement for a policy for travel to and from Jersey would be necessary to permit safer travel and reduce the potential risk of spreading the virus once the ports were opened.</p>	

The Panel also noted the Proposition, P.71/2020, lodged by Deputy Russell Labey on 3rd June in relation to delaying the redevelopment of Jersey Airport until a review of the viability of the redevelopment scheme considering the impact of Covid-19 was undertaken.

The Panel was advised by Senator Moore that the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel was due to receive a briefing regarding the matters raised in P.68/2020 and P.71/2020. It was agreed that the Panel would also be invited to attend the briefing.

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# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 5th June 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Senator Kristina Moore
Apologies	Deputy Jess Perchard
Absent	
In attendance	Senator Lyndon Farnham, Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Senator Steve Pallett, Assistant Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Deputy Montfort Tadier, Assistant Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Tracy Mourant, Private Secretary to the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Richard Corrigan, Group Director - Financial Services and Digital Economy Dan Houseago, Director of the Economy, Office of the Chief Executive Colin Gibaut, Director Strategic Development Financial Services and Digital Economy  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Monique Magalhaes, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. Quarterly Public Hearing with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture</b>  The Panel held a Public Hearing with the Minister, Assistant Minister and Government Officials via video conference. The proceedings were streamed live via Microsoft Teams and a recording was made so that a transcript could be produced.	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 10th June 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Senator Kristina Moore
Apologies	Deputy Jess Perchard
Absent	
In attendance	George Pearmain, Director of Financial Crime Strategy, Financial Services and Digital Economy Helen De La Cour, Lead Policy Adviser, Financial Services and Digital Economy  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Monique Magalhaes, Research and Project Officer Ben Walker, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. P.69/2020 - Draft Financial Services (Disclosure and Provision of Information) (Jersey) Law 202-</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Director of Financial Crime Strategy and Lead Policy Advisor for a briefing on P.69/2020. It was noted that the Proposition was due to be debated on 14th July 2020.</p> <p>The Director of Financial Crime Strategy explained that the purpose of the legislation was to implement the requirements set out by the Financial Action Task Force (FATF). The FATF was the inter-Governmental body that set standards to combat money laundering, terrorist financing and other related threats to the integrity of the international financial system. It was explained that the legislation sought to meet FATF Recommendation 24 in particular, which placed requirements relating to beneficial ownership on a statutory footing.</p> <p>Furthermore, the draft Law set out requirements in relation to information provision, introducing a number of new concepts in order to satisfy Recommendation 24. In that regard, the draft Law required certain information to be provided to the Jersey Financial Services Commission both upon its application to be established as a legal entity in Jersey and when there was a change to that information.</p> <p>The information submitted was also required to be confirmed as accurate on an annual basis. Currently, information about the beneficial owners and controllers of companies and partnerships was collected when entities were seeking consent from the Commission on incorporation under the Control of Borrowing (Jersey) Order 1958. The draft Law placed these requirements on a statutory footing, providing clarity and extending the requirements to Jersey incorporated foundations.</p>	



A new requirement under the draft Law was to provide information about the identify of nominee shareholders in order to satisfy the FATF requirement that the jurisdiction had taken effective measures to ensure that entities were not misused for money laundering or terrorist financing purposes.

The Lead Policy advisor explained that FATF Recommendation 24 required that competent authorities had access to adequate, accurate and timely information about entities and for there to be penalties for failure to comply. The Panel noted that the Minister for External Relations had been included within the definition of local competent authority. The Panel asked about the safeguards in place to ensure that information may only be obtained for lawful purposes under the draft Law. The Lead Policy Advisor agreed to provide the Panel with further clarity on the definition and safeguards in place.

The Panel thanked the Government Officials for their time and they exited the video conference.

The Panel agreed that it would present a Comments paper before the States debate on 14th July.

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# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 12th June 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Senator Kristina Moore
Apologies	Deputy Jess Perchard
Absent	
In attendance	Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Ben Walker, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. Records of Meetings</b> The Panel noted and approved the records of the meetings held on 11th, 14th, 15th, 21st, 22nd, 27th and 28th May 2020.	
<b>2. Covid-19 Response and Recovery Review</b> The Panel received an update on the Scoping Document and Terms of Reference for its joint review with the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel on Covid-19 Response and Recovery. It was noted that the Scrutiny Liaison Committee (SLC) had approved both documents.  In considering the documents, however, the SLC had identified a potential crossover with the work of the Comptroller and Auditor General (C&AG). In that regard, the C&AG had provided both Panels with a Project Specification detailing her review plans, and, in turn, the Panel's Scoping Document had been shared with the C&AG to determine any crossover. It was noted that the work of the C&AG would be focused on delivery and implementation of the response rather than policy matters, therefore, it was agreed that any crossover could be managed effectively.  The Panel noted that guidance, aimed at businesses and sport organisations, had been published in relation to Level 2 of the Safe Exit Framework. The Panel agreed that it would be beneficial to gather views from the business and sport community in relation to the guidance and requested that a press release was issued on the matter.	KB
<b>3. External Relations Processes Review</b> The Panel agreed that the briefing held with Law Officers on 1st June had been beneficial. In terms of the review, the Panel agreed that a Public Hearing should be held with the Minister for External Relations in due course.	KB
<b>4. CICRA Review</b> The Panel had previously received a draft Scoping Document and Terms of Reference for the Review. It was noted that a couple of minor amendments had been made by the Chair, and therefore the Panel agreed to review the changes before giving its final approval.	

<p><b>5. P.129/2019 “Draft Taxation (Implementation) (International Tax Compliance) (Mandatory Disclosure Rules for CRS Avoidance Arrangements and Opaque Offshore Structure) (Jersey) Regulations 202-”</b></p> <p>The Panel was disappointed that P.129/2019 had been scheduled for debate on 16th June without any communication from the Minister for External Relations. The Panel recalled that it had received a briefing on the Proposition at the end of 2019 and had raised a number of concerns about the legislation. At that time, the Department had agreed to provide further clarity on the issues raised, however, the Proposition had been withdrawn by the Minister in the lead up to the original debate date. The Panel noted that it had not received the information required and therefore agreed that it would call-in the legislation during the debate.</p>	
<p><b>6. Medicinal Cannabis</b></p> <p>The Panel received a submission from a member of the public regarding the proliferation of medicinal cannabis businesses in Jersey. The Panel requested that research was undertaken in order to find out whether guidance concerning the licensing process for a business looking to acquire a license to cultivate medicinal cannabis in Jersey was publicly available. The Panel agreed that, if the information was not publicly available, it would write to the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture asking for further information and clarity.</p>	<b>MM</b>
<p><b>7. Question Plan: Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for International Development</b></p> <p>The Panel discussed a number of question areas in preparation for the Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for International Development on 26th June 2020. The Officer advised that a question plan would be circulated in due course.</p>	<b>KB</b>
<p><b>8. Future Meetings</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that its next scheduled meeting would take place on 10th July 2020 at 10:45am via Teams</p>	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 15th June 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman
Apologies	Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard
Absent	
In attendance	Murray Norton, Chief Executive Officer, Chamber of Commerce Jennifer Carnegie, President, Chamber of Commerce  Monique Magalhaes, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Covid-19 Response Review: Meeting with the Chamber of Commerce</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Chief Executive Officer and President of the Chamber of Commerce (CoC) via video conference to discuss the response to Covid-19 and concerns raised by the business community. The following was noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The CoC advised that businesses were concerned about the proposed timing of the implementation of the Family Friendly Employment rights. It was explained that businesses were struggling under the current circumstances and that continuing to bring this change, at this time, would be an additional and unnecessary challenge for them.</li><li>• In relation to the new issued level two guidelines of the Safe Exit Framework, the COC raised concern with regards to the mixed messages they portrayed. Additionally, businesses had raised concern with regards to the guidelines being overly restrictive and onerous. Whilst businesses were now allowed to open, as a result of the limiting guidelines, it was not economically viable for all businesses to do so.</li><li>• The CoC explained that businesses were struggling to understand the relationship between the associated health risk and the restrictive health guidance issued under level two of the Safe Exit Framework, at this stage, as active cases of Covid-19 were confined and minimal in Jersey.</li><li>• The CoC highlighted that businesses had experienced mixed interpretations of policing of the level two guidelines. This was related to the process around how restaurants could serve alcohol alongside meals.</li><li>• The CoC noted that level two guidelines allowed bars within hotels and campsites to maintain a drinks service without the requirement to serve food.</li></ul>	

It was advised that this would deliver mixed messaging to businesses and would increase confusion within the industry.

- It was understood that the Planning Department (Under Growth, Housing and Environment) was not functioning at full capacity and was causing concern for the building industry. The CoC explained that due to the appeals process being halted, as well as the department's planning staff being utilised for the contact tracing function, this would cause a knock-on effect for the building industry going forward. The building industry had raised concerns to the CoC that if the current planning backlog continued, the industry could grind to a halt within six months.
- The CoC explained that for businesses, addressing the issues that were keeping the borders from opening was essential. It was noted that, in general, obtaining some form of connectivity again with other jurisdictions was important for business.
- The CoC advised that the Treasury and Exchequer Department was considering ways to boost the economy. It was noted that reducing the employer contribution was being explored, as well as a Government issued voucher system. Households would be issued vouchers for use within businesses which would encourage business in hard-hit sectors.
- The CoC commented that the Government appeared to be open to ideas in relation to fiscal stimulus.

The Panel thanked the Chief Executive Officer and President of the CoC for their time and they exited the video conference.

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 18th June 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Senator Kristina Moore
Apologies	Deputy Jess Perchard
Absent	
In attendance	Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Monique Magalhaes, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. Covid-19 Response Review</b>  The Panel discussed the progress of its review. It was agreed that a significant amount of information had been gathered so far. The Panel agreed that it would continue monitoring the developments of Covid-19 in relation to the economy, particularly decisions around reopening borders.	
<b>2. Follow-up: Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture</b>  Following the Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture on 5th June, it was noted that the Panel had ran out of time to ask the Minister about the Funders Group, a unique body established to represent the Island's key funders of local charities or charitable projects. The Panel requested that further information was sought on the Funders Group.	<b>KB</b>

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 22nd June 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Murray Norton, Chief Executive Officer, Chamber of Commerce Jennifer Carnegie, President, Chamber of Commerce  Monique Magalhaes, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Covid-19 Response Review: Meeting with the Chamber of Commerce</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Chief Executive Officer and President of the Chamber of Commerce (CoC) via video conference to discuss the response to Covid-19 and concerns raised by the business community. The following was noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• In relation to the banning of single use plastic and paper bags, the CoC advised that retail businesses would adapt to the changes brought by the ban. However, any aspect which increased complexity and cost for businesses, at this time, was concerning for businesses.</li><li>• The CoC explained that businesses had felt a sense of urgency with regards to getting the economy up and running again, ideally back to a level close to as normal as was possible.</li><li>• In relation to employers commencing the opening of offices and employees getting back to work, businesses appeared unsure of their legal liabilities. It was the view of businesses that inconsistent messaging from the Government to businesses and the public, in that regard, was complicating the situation.</li><li>• It was highlighted from a Think Tank meeting that signs of liquidation of businesses were apparent if the functioning of businesses continued to be inhibited.</li><li>• It was understood that Jersey's finance industry had coped relatively well so far, however, it was anticipated that the industry would experience challenges, albeit delayed, over the next two quarters.</li></ul>	

- It was explained that wholesale businesses which relied upon low margin and high-volume sales, under normal conditions, were facing high debts as a result of the reduction in sales under the current Covid -19 position.
- The CoC explained that some hospitality businesses were facing supply chain issues which was concerning for those businesses.
- The CoC advised that a group including representatives from the finance, retail, hospitality and construction sectors had been formed to consider the insolvency regulations.
- The CoC explained that the Economic Council Committee was formed from a diverse group of individuals. However, it was not understood how the membership of the committee group was decided upon. It was explained that, in addition to the Economic Council Committee, task-focused work groups would be set up and appropriate individuals would be drafted in for those groups accordingly.
- The CoC advised that the GST de minimis was under consideration. It was felt that bringing this change forward would support local businesses and economic recovery at this time.
- Regarding the reopening of borders, the CoC explained that it was especially important for the tourism and hospitality sectors that travel commenced as soon as was possible. A Covid-19 testing regime was emphasised as crucial with regards to enabling safe travel to Jersey and to avoiding importing of virus cases into the island.
- The CoC explained that, besides the tourism and hospitality sectors being directly impacted by the travel restrictions, there had also been a wider associated impact on further areas including retail, wholesale, GST intake and ancillary supplier services.
- The CoC raised concern that if the connectivity of routes was not established until after other jurisdictions had re-established their routes, Jersey could lose out on vital travel routes in and out of the island. Additionally, not resuming connectivity soon could have implications on the costs of Jersey flights.
- The CoC clarified that the opportunity for staycations within the hospitality sector was not a viable long-term option as accommodating one-night stays was not cost effective. However, it was a lifeline under the current circumstances for some establishments.
- In anticipation of moving to level one of the safe-exit guidelines, the CoC advised that businesses would appreciate at least a weeks' notice prior to the changes happening. However, it was emphasised that businesses, up until now, had done an excellent job at adapting to the new guidelines on short notice.

The Panel thanked the Chief Executive Officer and President of the CoC for their time and they exited the video conference.





<p><b>4. CICRA Review</b></p> <p>The Panel received a project plan for its review and agreed the key milestones and associated timings.</p> <p>The Panel received a list of potential stakeholders for its review. The Panel requested that the Comptroller and Auditor General (C&amp;AG) was included on the list. It agreed that the list would be monitored throughout the review and other stakeholders may be added if necessary.</p> <p>The Panel agreed that it would consider the Competition (Jersey) Law 2005 as part of the review as it may suggest amendments to the legislation following the outcome of its review. The Panel also agreed that it would consider the Consumer Protection (Unfair Practices) (Jersey) Law 2018.</p> <p>The Panel agreed that it would issue a Call for Evidence in due course and organise Public Hearings. In that regard, the Panel agreed that an independent view would be sought on competition matters. Once a suitable independent expert was found, they would be invited to attend a Public Hearing.</p> <p>The Panel also discussed whether it would be beneficial to obtain evidence from the C&amp;AG in due course. The C&amp;AG could be asked about what constituted good governance.</p> <p>The Panel agreed that it would organise a meeting dedicated to reviewing the evidence gathered to date.</p>	<p>KB</p> <p>KB</p> <p>KB</p> <p>KB</p> <p>KB</p>
<p><b>5. External Relations Processes</b></p> <p>The Panel noted the question areas for the Public Hearing with the Minister for External Relations scheduled for 3rd July. The Panel agreed that it would consider further areas and questions and revert with any additions.</p>	
<p><b>6. P.83/2020 “Draft Limited Partnership (Continuance) (Jersey) Regulations 202-”</b></p> <p>The Panel recalled that it was briefed on P.83/2020 on 4th June. The Panel agreed that it was content with the Proposition and would not require any further action in that regard.</p>	
<p><b>7. Work Programme</b></p> <p>The Panel received a draft Work Programme for 2020.</p> <p>The Panel agreed that the Review of External Relations processes would be undertaken first and that the CICRA review would follow. The Panel agreed that the order of completing the reviews of External Relations and CICRA first would enable it to focus on the Government Plan Review and Covid-19 response and recovery work.</p>	
<p><b>8. Panel constitution</b></p> <p>The Panel agreed that Deputy Kevin Pamplin would join the Panel with a view to focus on arts, culture and heritage matters. The Panel noted that the matter would be discussed by the States Assembly at its next sitting on 30th June.</p>	<p>KB</p>

**9. Funders Group**

The Panel recalled its previous discussions and concerns in relation to the Funders Group in respect of charities. It was noted that the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture was due to provide the Panel with information regarding the Group's establishment. The Panel agreed that it would discuss the matter at its next meeting on 10th July.

**10. Future Meetings**

The Panel noted that its next scheduled meeting would take place on 10th July 2020 at 10:45am via Teams.

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 29th June 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Murray Norton, Chief Executive Officer, Chamber of Commerce Jennifer Carnegie, President, Chamber of Commerce  Monique Magalhaes, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Covid-19 Response Review: Meeting with the Chamber of Commerce</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Chief Executive Officer and President of the Chamber of Commerce (CoC) via video conference to discuss the response to Covid-19 and concerns raised by the business community. The following was noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• In relation to the proposed opening of the borders, the CoC advised that if the borders were not opened soon, Jersey could lose its tourist industry. The CoC agreed that a robust testing regime was necessary, however, for businesses and the economy, there was a sense of urgency to reopen the borders so that normality could be regained.</li><li>• The CoC explained that, with each passing week that the borders remained closed, Jersey (and businesses) would lose millions in spend. The CoC emphasised that balancing the health risk, if the borders were reopened, and the risk to the economy, if the borders remained closed, was critical.</li><li>• The CoC confirmed that, as it represented a number of businesses, it felt that the borders should open as soon as was possible. However, it was essential that assurances were given to ensure that it was done safely. The CoC explained that the hospitality industry had a small window of opportunity to regain some funds over the summer months. Furthermore, if the hospitality industry was able to secure tourism for at least the months of July and August it would help many businesses survive the crisis. However, survival was dependant on the borders reopening as soon as possible.</li><li>• The CoC explained that, as well as the hospitality industry, other sectors, including retail and self-employed tradespeople, had been affected by the crisis. The CoC commented that retail businesses depended on the footfall of</li></ul>	

tourists and that tradespeople working within the hospitality industry could only do so if it was functioning.

- In relation to the new social distancing rule of one meter, the CoC explained that it was difficult to confirm any benefit that this change had made, particularly for retail businesses. Additionally, the CoC commented that public confidence was low and that, combined with the reality of people being encouraged to continue to work from home, had resulted in the reduced footfall which was negatively impacting the sector.
- The CoC suggested that there had been some confusion among employees about the Government's guidance. On the one hand, the guidance was that employees should continue to work from home wherever possible, and on the other, restrictions were being eased. The CoC explained that this had caused mixed reactions among employees when having to decide whether to return to offices or to continue to work from home.
- With regards to how employers had responded to the easing of restrictions and the continued 'work from home' messaging aspect of the guidance, the CoC explained that some employers had chosen to not allow their staff back to the office due to the uncertainty around liabilities. Others had chosen to resume office work, if it was safe to do so, and had encouraged their staff back to the office. Some had set up rota systems to manage distancing within the workplace. Additionally, with many employees remaining content to continue to work from home, some employers had been considering downsizing their office space to accommodate smaller numbers of employees. In doing so, employers would be able to save on costs. The CoC believed that, as a result of the crisis, there would be a noticeable shift in the way in which workplaces operated and employees worked in the future.
- In relation to carparking charges being resumed from 1st July, the CoC explained that some businesses had raised concerns that this would negatively impact the public footfall in town. Additionally, some businesses believed that the charges would discourage people from returning to the office. The CoC explained that businesses were unclear why Government was continuing to provide financial support for businesses until August yet would reinstate the parking charges on 1st July.
- In terms of the Economic Council, the CoC explained that a broad range of good ideas for economic recovery had been gathered. However, it was noted that the ideas put forward had yet to be assimilated. It was the CoC's understanding that Working Groups, established from the Economic Council, would be tasked with carrying on the work beyond September.
- The President of the CoC advised that the CoC had been keeping a record of Covid-19 related key announcements and press releases since January and this would be shared with the Panel.

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The Panel thanked the Chief Executive Officer and President of the CoC for their time and they exited the video conference.

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 2nd July 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard Deputy Kevin Pamplin
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Monique Magalhaes, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. Processes within External Relations Review</b>  The Panel met to discuss a draft question plan in preparation for the Public Hearing with the Minister for External Relations on 3rd July. The Panel agreed additional areas and noted that a final plan would be circulated in due course.	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 3rd July 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Deputy Jess Perchard [parts of item 1] Deputy Kevin Pamplin
Apologies	Senator Kristina Moore
Absent	
In attendance	Senator Ian Gorst, Minister for External Relations Kate Nutt, Group Director, External Relations David Walwyn, Director, External Relations Tom Le Feuvre, Director, Global Markets and International Agreements Matt Berry, Senior Legal Advisor, Law Officers' Department Victoria Bell, Legal Advisor, Law Officers' Department  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Monique Magalhaes, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. Processes within External Relations Review: Public Hearing with the Minister for External Relations</b>  The Panel held a Public Hearing with the Minister for External Relations and Government Officials to discuss various processes within External Relations. The proceedings were streamed live via Microsoft Teams and a recording was made so that a transcript could be produced.	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 9th July 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Senator Kristina Moore
Apologies	Deputy Jess Perchard Deputy Kevin Pamplin
Absent	
In attendance	Senator Lyndon Farnham, Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Tracy Mourant, Private Secretary to the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Meeting with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Minister via video conference primarily to discuss the Government's response to Covid-19. The following areas were discussed:</p> <p><b>Economic Council</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• It was noted that the Economic Council had met three times since it was established. The Council had been formed to contribute to the ongoing work on economic recovery post Covid-19.</li><li>• The Minister confirmed that the purpose of the meetings to date was to discuss economic recovery and, going forward, he would like the next meeting to identify six ideas to be taken forward.</li><li>• The Minister also confirmed that he envisaged that the Economic Council would only be required for a relatively short period so that it could boost the initial effort needed for economic recovery. In that regard, it was noted that the Political Oversight Group would consider reports from the Economic Council to contribute towards the development of the recovery plan.</li></ul> <p><b>Fiscal Stimulus</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• It was noted that a States Members briefing had been held on the Fiscal Stimulus package which was due to be formally announced on 10th July.</li><li>• The Minister explained that his focus had been on ensuring that island businesses were kept viable and that people were able to stay in their jobs. To that end, the Minister explained that the co-funded payroll scheme had helped businesses in that regard.</li></ul>	



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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The purpose of the fiscal stimulus was to get money into the economy quickly. The Minister explained that this was important for local businesses, for protecting existing jobs and creating new ones. The Minister advised that £100 would be given to every islander to spend locally, which would support local businesses. This would be in the form of vouchers and smart cards which would be valid for two months. It was noted that another £100 would be given to low-income individuals.</li></ul> |  |
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A discussion followed on Economic Development becoming its own Department. The Minister confirmed that this was being discussed by the Council of Ministers.

The Panel thanked the Minister for his time and he exited the video conference.

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 10th July 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Senator Kristina Moore
Apologies	Deputy Jess Perchard Deputy Kevin Pamplin
Absent	
In attendance	Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Monique Magalhaes, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. Records of Meetings</b>  The Panel noted and approved the records of its meetings held on 18th, 22nd, 26th, 29th June and 2nd and 3rd July 2020.	
<b>2. Covid-19 Response and Recovery</b>  The Panel noted that it had accumulated a significant amount of information on the Covid-19 crisis. The Panel agreed that it would be beneficial to present an interim report in the first instance, so that it could publish its findings on the Government's response to date (March – July 2020) before it presented its final report on the recovery work. It was agreed that the report would be drafted during August 2020.  In terms of its joint review with the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel, it was noted that both Panel's were due to appoint one economic advisor. Due to the Panel's intention to present an interim report, which meant it did not require any immediate expert assistance, it was agreed that the Corporate Services Panel would lead in the preparations for the appointment.  In that regard, the Panel was advised that the Corporate Services Panel had drafted an engagement brief to assist in the search for an advisor. In order to be kept informed of the process and to offer views when necessary, the Panel requested that it was invited to attend any meetings held by the Corporate Services Panel when it was due to discuss the appointment of an advisor.	<b>KB</b>        <b>KB</b>
<b>3. CICRA Review</b>  The Panel was advised that letters to stakeholders had been sent and that it was anticipated responses would be received by the end of July.	
<b>4. External Relations Processes</b>  The Panel noted that its report was currently being drafted and would be circulated for approval in due course.	
<b>5. Government Plan</b>	

<p>The Panel received an Excel spreadsheet which listed the various projects which it had RAG (Red-Amber-Green) rated during its previous review of the plan. The Panel agreed that each member would review the projects and their RAG status with a view to discussing each project in detail at one of its future meetings in August.</p>	
<p><b>6. Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for External Relations</b></p> <p>The Panel agreed a number of question areas in preparation for the Quarterly Hearing with the Minister on 17th July.</p>	
<p><b>7. Future Meetings</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that its next scheduled meeting would take place on 24th July 2020 at 10:45am via Teams.</p>	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 23rd July 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Deputy Kevin Pamplin
Apologies	Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard
Absent	
In attendance	Senator Ian Gorst, Minister for External Relations Kate Nutt, Group Director, External Relations James Silverston, Director, Financial Services and Digital Economy Cora O'Brien, Deputy Comptroller of Revenue  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for External Relations</b>  The Panel held a Public Hearing with the Minister for External Relations and Government Officials via video conference. The proceedings were streamed live via Microsoft Teams and a recording was made so that a transcript could be produced.	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 24th July 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Deputy Kevin Pamplin
Apologies	Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard
Absent	
In attendance	Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer  <b>Item 3</b>  Deputy Steve Ahier, Vice-Chair, Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel Connétable Richard Vibert, Member, Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel  Katie Griffiths, Committee and Panel Officer Peter Lamy, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. Records of Meetings</b>  The Panel approved the records of its meetings held on 9th and 10th July 2020.	
<b>2. Covid 19 Response and Recovery Review: Advisor, expressions of interest</b>  The Panel discussed three expressions of interest as a result of the search for an expert advisor – Dr Michael Oliver of MJO Consultancy, Stuart Fair and Jefferey Matsu of the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA) and Siôn Jones, Partner of London Economics. The Panel agreed that CIPFA had provided the most detail of how assistance could be provided during the review. In relation to Siôn Jones, the Panel agreed that his expertise appeared to centre mainly around health economics. In that regard, the Panel agreed that it would shortlist CIPFA and MJO Consulting. It was noted that the Panel was due to meet with the Vice-Chair of the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel to discuss the matter further.  The Panel noted that an interim report on the Government's response to Covid-19 to date would be drafted during the month of August.	<b>KB</b>
<b>3. Covid-19 Response and Recovery Review: Advisor discussion with Members of the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel</b>  The Panel met with Deputy Steve Ahier (Vice-Chair of the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel) and Connetable Richard Vibert (Member of the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel) to discuss the selection of an advisor for the Joint COVID-19 Response and Recovery Review. It was noted that, of seven calls to tender, three	

<p>applicants had been received. Both Panels had narrowed these to two: Dr Michael Oliver and the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy - Mr Stuart Fair and Mr Jeffery Matsu. It was agreed that the third applicant, Mr Siôn Jones, experience lay mainly within health care modelling.</p> <p>The Panel agreed that the two remaining applications focused mainly on public finance spending, and that it would be useful to meet with them to establish how they would conduct work to meet the requirements of both Panels. It was agreed that a short question plan would be formed, enabling fair appraisal of their approaches. It was agreed that the meetings would be scheduled after 3pm on Tuesday 28th July 2020.</p>	
<p><b>4. External Relations Processes Review</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that the report had been drafted and was being reviewed by the Chair. It was agreed that once the Chair had reviewed the draft report, it would be circulated to the Panel for approval.</p>	<p><b>KM/KB</b></p>
<p><b>5. Decision making process to demerge CICRA</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that progress was being made with the review. Letters had been sent to targeted stakeholders and some submissions had already been received from Jersey Post, the Citizen’s Advice Bureau and the President of the Committee for Economic Development in Guernsey. It was noted that the deadline for responses was 31st July.</p> <p>The Panel requested that an additional letter was drafted to the Jersey Competition Regulatory Authority to ask a number of questions about the demerge and associated costs.</p>	<p><b>KB</b></p>
<p><b>6. Government Plan (Recovery) Review</b></p> <p>The Panel was advised that Public Hearings were being organised with the Minister for External Relations, Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture and Minister for International Development to take place in October, once the Government Plan had been lodged. In the meantime, the Panel agreed that it would write to each Minister requesting an update on the projects identified in the previous Plan.</p>	<p><b>KB</b></p>
<p><b>7. Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that it was due to receive the Minister for a Quarterly Hearing on 7th August. In that regard, the Panel discussed and agreed a number of question areas. It was agreed that a question plan would be circulated for approval on Teams.</p>	
<p><b>8. Distribution of Charity Funds</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that two bodies had recently been established – the Jersey Funders Group and the Jersey Community Foundation. Although the Panel had received some information from the Growth, Housing and Environment Department on the two Groups, it was unclear what their specific remits were. The Panel requested that a briefing was organised on the distribution of charity funds.</p>	<p><b>KB</b></p>
<p><b>9. Future Meetings</b></p>	

The Panel noted that its next scheduled meeting would take place at 10:45am on 7th August in either the Le Capelain room, States Building or via Teams.	
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# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 28th July 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Deputy Kevin Pamplin
Apologies	Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard
Absent	
In attendance	Deputy Steve Ahier, Vice-Chair, Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel Connétable Richard Vibert, Member, Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel Connétable Karen Shenton-Stone, Member, Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel  Stuart Fair, Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA) Jefferey Matsu, Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA) Dr Michael Oliver, MJO Consulting  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Katie Griffiths, Committee and Panel Officer Peter Lamy, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Covid 19 Response and Recovery Review: Meetings with potential advisors</b></p> <p>The Panel, along with the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel, met with Stuart Fair and Jeffery Matsu from the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy who had expressed an interest in providing expert assistance to both Panels on its joint review. The Panel asked a number of questions regarding the extent of the expertise which could be provided and how CIPFA could manage the needs of both Panels.</p> <p>The Panel thanked Stuart Fair and Jeffery Matsu for their time and they exited the video conference.</p> <p>The Panel, along with the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel, met with Dr Michael Oliver of MJO Consulting who had expressed an interest in providing expert assistance to both Panels on its joint review. The Panel asked a number of questions regarding the extent of the expertise which could be provided and how the needs of both Panels would be managed.</p> <p>The Panel thanked Dr Michael Oliver for his time and he exited the video conference.</p> <p>A discussion into which potential advisor to appoint followed. Both Panels were in agreement to appoint CIPFA, mainly due to the fact that access to the expertise could</p>	

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be shared between Stuart Fair and Jeffery Matsu. In addition, CIPFA had confirmed that the Panels were able to access other members of the CIPFA team, if required.

The Panels requested that the necessary arrangements were put in place to formally appoint CIPFA for the review.

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# Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 30th July 2020

Present	Deputy Mary Le Hegarat, Chair Deputy Kevin Pamplin, Vice-Chair Deputy Carina Alves Deputy Trevor Pointon Deputy Geoff Southern	
Apologies		
Absent		
In attendance	Ben Walker, Research and Project Officer	
Agenda matter		Action
<b>1. Meeting – Mental Health Services</b>		
<p>The Panel met to discuss the provision of Mental Health Services in Jersey, following concerns brought to its attention by members of the Public regarding a number of specific mental health cases. The Panel agreed that it would consider any actions at its next meeting on 6th August 2020.</p> <p>The Panel considered its work programme for the remainder of the year and beginning of 2021. It was noted that the Panel had agreed to undertake a follow up review to its previous review of Mental Health Services (S.R.4/2019), which was completed in March 2019. It was further noted that the Panel had also agreed to commence a review of Maternity Services at the end of the year, following its review of the Jersey Care Model. The Panel agreed that it would give more consideration to its future work programme at its meeting on 6th August 2020.</p>		

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 7th August 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Kevin Pamplin
Apologies	Deputy Jess Perchard
Absent	
In attendance	Item 2 only:  Senator Lyndon Farnham, Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Senator Steve Pallett, Assistant Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Dan Houseago, Group Director, Economy and Partnerships, Growth, Housing and Environment Richard Corrigan, Group Director, Financial Services and Digital Economy Ian Clarkson, Registrar of Aircraft & Shipping, Office of the Chief Executive Colin Gibaut, Director Strategic Development Financial Services and Digital Economy Chris Kelleher, Manager, Strategic Policy Economic Development  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Ben Walker, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. Records of Meetings</b>  The Panel noted and approved the records of its meetings held on 23rd, 24th and 28th July 2020.	
<b>2. Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture</b>  The Panel held a Public Hearing with the Minister, Assistant Minister and Government Officials via video conference. The proceedings were streamed live via Microsoft Teams and a recording was made so that a transcript could be produced.	
<b>3. COVID-19 Response and Recovery Review</b>  The Panel noted that progress was being made on its interim draft report. The Officer advised that Heads of Report had been circulated via Teams. The Panel agreed to review the Heads of Report and identify any matters in particular it would like raised in the report. The Panel noted that the Chartered Institute of Public Finance and Accountancy (CIPFA) had been appointed to assist both the Panel and the Corporate Services	

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<p>Scrutiny Panel in its review of Covid-19. The Panel agreed that it was likely that it would meet Stuart Fair (Principal Consultant CIPFA) during September in order to discuss Economic and International Affairs specific objectives.</p>	
<p><b>4. External Relations Processes Review</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that it had previously received a draft report on External Relations Processes. It agreed that it would review the draft in due course and provide feedback. The Panel noted that the section on the external relations budget needed refining and that discussions were taking place with Government Officials.</p>	<p><b>KB</b></p>
<p><b>5. Demerge of CICRA</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that a range of stakeholders were due to submit their views to the Panel on the demerge of CICRA. The Panel was advised that some stakeholders had asked for an extension to the deadline for submitting views until the end of August. The Panel agreed that it would review the submissions received so far in preparation for the Public Hearing with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture on 11th September.</p>	<p><b>KB</b></p>
<p><b>6. Government (Recovery) Plan</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that Public Hearings had been organised with the Minister for External Relations and the Minister for International Development which would take place in October. The Panel was advised that, despite numerous requests to the Ministerial Support Unit, the Hearing with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture had not yet been organised. The Officer advised that the matter was being referred to the Government Plan Review Panel.</p>	<p><b>KB</b></p>
<p><b>7. P.129/2019 “Draft Taxation (Implementation) (International Tax Compliance) (Mandatory Disclosure Rules for CRS Avoidance Arrangements and Opaque Offshore Structure) (Jersey) Regulations 202-”</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that it had previously received a briefing paper on P.129/2019. It was also noted that a briefing had been organised for 20th August.</p> <p>The Panel agreed that it would be beneficial for views to be sought on the proposals from the legal sector, Accountancy firms and Family Offices. The Officer advised that a number of firms would be contacted requesting their views on the proposals.</p>	<p><b>KB</b></p>
<p><b>8. P.99/2020 CI Lottery – Allocation of 2018 Balance</b></p> <p>The Panel recalled that it had requested a briefing on P.99/2020. The Officer advised that, despite numerous requests to the Ministerial Support Unit, a date had not been forthcoming. The Panel requested that a letter was drafted to the Minister requesting a briefing.</p>	<p><b>KB</b></p>
<p><b>9. Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for International Development</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that it was due to receive the Minister for International Development on 28th August. The Panel requested that the Hearing was postponed until 4th September.</p>	<p><b>KB</b></p>
<p><b>10. Future Meetings</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that its next scheduled meeting would take place at 10:45am on Friday 21st August via Teams.</p>	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 12th August 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Kevin Pamplin
Apologies	Deputy Jess Perchard
Absent	
In attendance	Senator Lyndon Farnham, Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Darren Scott, Director of Partnerships, Office of the Chief Executive Nick Kershaw, Co-Chair of the Board of Directors, Jersey Community Foundation Heather MacCallum, Co-Chair of the Board of Directors, Jersey Community Foundation Angus Spencer-Nairn, Board of Directors, Jersey Community Foundation Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Briefing on the Jersey Community Foundation</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture and the Board of Directors of the Jersey Community Foundation (JCF) for a briefing on the establishment of the JCF. The JCF explained that the Board of Directors constituted:</p> <p>Nick Kershaw, Co-Chair Heather MacCallum, Co-Chair Wendy Hurford, Director Angus Spence-Nairn, Director Anna Terry, Executive Officer</p> <p>The Co-Chairs explained that the role of the JCF was threefold: Grant Giver, Vehicle for Philanthropy and Leadership in the Community. The Co-Chairs also explained that the JCF's immediate priorities were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• To establish an easy access, simple online application process before the end of August.</li><li>• Distribute the Reclaim Funds (under the remit of the Minister for External Relations)</li><li>• To ensure grants were directed to those most in need in the community during the Covid-19 pandemic</li><li>• Work with other stakeholders to assess the wider impact of Covid-19 on the charitable sector</li></ul>	

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- Work closely with a Government Official within Customer and Local Services to share knowledge and identify critical needs
- Establish thematic panels
- Focus on outcomes and impact and offer support to organisations where needed to define and measure their outcomes
- Secure 2018/2019 lottery funding under an appropriate Services Level Agreement.

The JCF explained that it had established a number of governance arrangements for its establishment including a Purpose Trust and Incorporation of Company. It had also appointed trustees, an enforcer and the Board of Directors and was registered with the charity commission. In that regard, the Panel requested copies of the governance arrangements including the Trust instrument and the terms of the Trust.

The Panel asked what representation the Portuguese community would have within the JCF. The Co-Chairs explained that diversity had been raised when the JCF was being established and that members had reached out to the Portuguese community, but no interest had been received.

The Panel also raised concerns around whether the JCF was too closely aligned with the Government of Jersey, which may deter some philanthropists to donate funds. The JCF advised that the purpose of working closely with a Government Official was to ensure a co-ordinated and collaborative approach and so that the JCF would have an awareness of Government of Jersey priorities.

The Panel thanked the Minister and JCF Board of Directors for their time and they exited the video conference.

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# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 20th August 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Senator Kristina Moore
Apologies	Deputy Kevin Pamplin Deputy Jess Perchard
Absent	
In attendance	Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer  <b>Item 1 and 2</b> Senator Ian Gorst, Minister for External Relations [for some parts] Tom Le Feuvre, Director, Global Markets and International Agreements Cora O'Brien, Deputy Comptroller of Revenue Niamh Moylan, Director of International Tax  <b>Item 3</b> Darren Scott, Director of Partnerships, Office of the Chief Executive  Ben Walker, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Briefing on the Organisation for Economic Co-operation and Development (OECD) work on Taxation of the Digital Economy</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Minister for External Relations and Government Officials for a briefing on the OECD's work on taxation of the digital economy. This meeting was held in private in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended) under Qualified Exemption Article 34.</p>	
<p><b>2. Briefing on P.129/2019 - Draft Taxation (Implementation) (International Tax Compliance) (Mandatory Disclosure Rules for CRS Avoidance Arrangements and Opaque Offshore Structures) (Jersey) Regulations 202-</b></p> <p>The Panel met Government Officials for a briefing on P.129/2019 which was lodged by the Minister for External Relations on 31st December 2019. It was noted that the draft regulations would implement the commitments given by the Government of Jersey to the EU Code of Conduct Group in July 2018 to introduce a Mandatory Disclosure Rules (MDR) Regime. It was also noted that the MDR rules were being introduced across the three Crown Dependencies (Jersey, Guernsey and Isle of Man) in a consistent manner.</p> <p>The Panel recalled that it had previously received a briefing on the proposition on 27th January. Following the briefing, Government Officials had provided the Panel with answers to a number of questions in relation to the powers required by Revenue</p>	

Jersey to enter business premises and examine business documents or client records and also the scope of the power under the regulations.

The Panel asked for a comparison between the Jersey regulations and the legislation passed in Guernsey and Isle of Man. The Deputy Comptroller of Revenue explained that the three pieces of legislation were largely similar with a few minor differences. For example, the penalty regime within the Guernsey regulations included a daily penalty regime whereas Jersey proposed to introduce a maximum penalty of £3,000.

The Panel was also advised that each jurisdiction would issue its own guidance for the finance industry on their respective regulations. In that regard, the Deputy Comptroller of Revenue explained that open dialogue was being held with both Guernsey and the Isle of Man on what the guidelines would contain in order for a consistent approach.

The Panel thanked the Government Officials for their time, and they withdrew from the meeting.

### **3. P.99/2020 CI Lottery – Allocation of 2018 Balance**

The Panel met the Director of Partnerships for a briefing on P.99/2020. The Director explained that the proposition would, if adopted by the States Assembly, allocate £374,112 from the 2018 lottery proceeds to the Association of Jersey Charities. The allocation would be made under the existing Service Level [Agreement](#).

The Director advised that the remaining balance was identified from the 2018 proceeds following a review undertaken during the 2019 year-end. The Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture had initially lodged a [proposition](#) (P.33/2020) to allocate the net proceeds from lottery tickets in 2019 (£1,388,268) and the remaining balance of the 2018 proceeds to the AJC to assist with the COVID-19 pandemic, however, the proposition was later withdrawn.

The Director explained that, following the withdrawal of P.33/2020, the Minister, along with the Minister for External Relations, sent a joint letter to the Funders' Group, an unofficial "sounding board", asking them to assist with the co-ordination of the proceeds from the CI Lottery Fund. In response to the letter, the Funders' Group established the Jersey Community Foundation to ensure legal requirements were met as well as best practice for the allocation of lottery funds.

The Director explained that the purpose of P.99/2020 was to allocate the remaining balance of the 2018 lottery proceeds to the AJC whilst the governance arrangements were put in place for the Jersey Community Foundation.



# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 21st August 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Kevin Pamplin
Apologies	Deputy Jess Perchard
Absent	
In attendance	<b>Item 9 only</b>  Murray Norton, Chief Executive Officer, Chamber of Commerce Jennifer Carnegie, Non-Executive Director, Jersey Business  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Ben Walker, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. Records of Meetings</b>  The Panel noted and approved the records of its meetings held on 30th July and 7th and 12th August 2020.	
<b>2. COVID-19 Response and Recovery Review</b>  The Panel received an update from the Officer on the progress of the report. It was noted that the Heads of Report had been approved and the report was being drafted in line with the document.  The Panel noted the Economic Indicators Update released by Statistics Jersey on a weekly basis, which provided key economic data including the level of unemployment in Jersey and the number of persons receiving payment through the Government Co-Funded Payroll Scheme. The Panel asked the Officer to request, from Statistics Jersey, some of the data in graph format to illustrate the amounts of funding paid out in relation to the business support schemes.  The Panel also requested the most recent minutes from the meeting of the Economic Council.	<b>KB</b>  <b>KB</b>  <b>KB</b>
<b>3. The demerge of CICRA</b>  The Panel noted it was due to receive the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture ('the Minister') for a Public Hearing on 11th September. The Panel requested that the hearing would last 2.5 hours instead of 1.5 hours as arranged.	<b>KB</b>

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<p>The Panel considered areas of questioning for the Public Hearing and requested that a draft question plan was circulated for further discussion.</p>	<p><b>KB</b></p>
<p><b>4. External Relations Processes</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that the Officer had forwarded the Panel’s draft report on External Relations Processes (‘the Report’), to the External Relations Department (‘the Department’), for factual checking by Friday 28th August. The Panel requested a meeting to discuss its key findings and recommendations.</p>	<p><b>KB</b></p>
<p><b>5. Government (Recovery) Plan 2021-2024</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that the Public Hearing with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture (‘the Minister’) had been organised for the 29th October at 11:00am.</p> <p>The Panel also noted that letters had been sent to the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture, Minister for External Relations and Minister for International Development asking for an update on the projects/actions identified in the previous Government Plan.</p>	
<p><b>6. P.129/2019 Draft Taxation (Implementation) (International Tax Compliance) (Mandatory Disclosure Rules for CRS Avoidance Arrangements and Opaque Offshore Structures) (Jersey) Regulations 202-</b></p> <p>The Panel considered P.129/2019 Draft Taxation (Implementation) (International Tax Compliance) (Mandatory Disclosure Rules for CRS Avoidance Arrangements and Opaque Offshore Structures) (Jersey) Regulations 202- (‘draft Regulations’). The Panel noted that emails had been sent to Law firms, family offices and accountancy firms asking for their views on the Regulations. The Panel had not received any responses and agreed to extend the deadline for views until Friday 28th August. The Panel agreed that, depending on whether it received any views, it would present a Comments paper on the Regulations.</p>	
<p><b>7. Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for International Development</b></p> <p>The Panel noted it was due to receive the Minister for International Development (‘the Minister’) for a Quarterly Public Hearing on 4th September. The Panel considered areas of questioning and agreed that a final question plan would be agreed in due course.</p>	
<p><b>8. P.99/2020 CI Lottery – Allocation of 2018 Balance</b></p> <p>The Panel agreed that it would present a Comments paper in respect of P.99/2020. The Panel agreed that the Comments should set out the background and context which would assist States Members in understanding the reasons behind the proposition.</p>	<p><b>KB</b></p>
<p><b>9. Meeting with the Chamber of Commerce</b></p> <p>The Panel received the Chamber of Commerce (‘CoC’) for an update on the response to COVID-19 as well as other developments. The following was noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The decision to close Broad Street to traffic and the impact on retailers;</li> <li>• The closure of Customer and Local Services and the impact on customers;</li> <li>• Communication of the Safe Exit Framework, particularly to dentist surgeries;</li> <li>• The future economic impact of COVID-19 on employment in Jersey.</li> </ul>	

<p>The Panel thanked the Chamber of Commerce for their time and they exited the video conference.</p>	
<p><b>10. Future Meetings</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that it's next scheduled meeting would take place on 4th September 2020 at 10:45am via Teams.</p>	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

Date: 3rd September 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Kevin Pamplin
Apologies	Deputy Jess Perchard
Absent	
In attendance	Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Ben Walker, Research and Project Officer  <b>Item 2 only</b>  Charlotte Brambilla, Lead Policy Adviser, Financial Services and Digital Economy Graeme Smith, Chief Executive Officer, Jersey Business

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Meeting – Processes within External Relations</b></p> <p>The Panel met to discuss its report on Processes within External Relations, which reviewed the relationship between the States Assembly and the External Relations Department in making decisions.</p> <p>The Panel noted that the final draft of the report had been sent to the External Relations Department for factual checking and that the Panel had received a number of comments for its consideration. The Panel requested that the Officer make a number of changes to the report and asked for a number of clarifications back from the Department.</p>	KB
<p><b>2. Briefing: Guidance for Landlords and Tenants of Commercial Property and Government's policy as Landlord</b></p> <p>The Panel met Government Officials for a briefing on guidance for landlords and tenants of commercial property and Government's policy as a landlord. This meeting was held in private in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended) under Qualified Exemption Article 36.</p>	
<p><b>3. Future Meetings</b></p> <p>The Panel agreed that, where possible, it would meet physically going forward.</p>	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 4th September 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Kevin Pamplin
Apologies	Deputy Jess Perchard
Absent	
In attendance	Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Ben Walker, Research and Project Officer  <b>Item 1 only</b>  Deputy Carolyn Labey, Minister for International Development Simon Boas, Executive Director, Jersey Overseas Aid Commission  <b>Item 2 only</b>  Steve Pallett, Assistant Minister, Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Catriona McAllister, Chief Executive Officer, Jersey Sport Phil Austin, Chair, Jersey Sport

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for International Development</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Minister and the Executive Director of the Jersey Overseas Aid Commission for a Quarterly Public Hearing. The proceedings were recorded in order that a transcript could be made.</p>	
<p><b>2. Briefing: Jersey Sport Annual Report and Sport Facilities Report</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Assistant Minister for Economic Development, Tourism Sport and Culture, Chief Executive Officer and Chair of Jersey Sport for a briefing on the Jersey Sport Annual Report and Sport Facilities report.</p> <p><b>Jersey Sport Annual Report 2019</b></p> <p>The Panel received a PowerPoint presentation which explained Jersey Sport's key achievements for 2019. The Chair of Jersey Sport provided an overview of Jersey Sport and explained that it was an independent body, tasked with championing sport and active living in Jersey. It was noted that Jersey Sport gained charitable status which enabled it to gain increased funding to invest in more services and events in sport and activity.</p>	

The Chief Executive Officer of Jersey Sport provided the Panel with an overview of the initiatives implemented during 2019. The following was noted:

- Move More initiative – to inspire islanders to become more active. This involved promoting and taking part in various island events including the HSBC Let’s Ride Pop-Ups at Les Quennevais, the Closer to Home roadshow and the Wheels for All cycling festival.
- HSBC Breeze Jersey cycle group – introduced in conjunction with the HSBC UK Breeze women-only free cycle rides.
- Inspiring an Active Jersey Strategy – to increase activity amongst islanders across all the demographics by 10% by 2030.
- Friday Fun Play Days – to encourage more use of Jersey’s parks whilst aiming to improve health and wellbeing
- Holiday camp – specifically for children with disabilities or additional special educational needs
- Active Intervention - to support the new Health and Wellbeing strategy at HMP La Moye, Jersey Sport delivered three sports courses to inmates. These courses aimed to improve levels of communication, teamwork, respect and overall behaviour of the inmates, whilst providing a formal assessment on planning, delivering and evaluating a sports session.

The CEO explained that communication was important when promoting sport activity in the island. Furthermore, good public health measures which aimed to encourage islanders to access more sports facilities were required.

The Panel asked what work was being undertaken with teenagers in order to inspire them to become more active. The CEO explained that it was on Jersey Sport’s agenda for the future, but engagement had previously been an issue. It was acknowledged that closer alignment with the Youth Service was required in this respect.

In respect of the initiatives aimed at families (Friday Fun Play Days), the Panel asked whether any of these would be targeted at, for example, disadvantaged families. The CEO confirmed that the initiatives were not targeted but this could be considered in the future.

A discussion followed on targets for the various initiatives implemented. The CEO explained that performance indicators and statistics in general on sport had been lacking. It was hoped that a statistician would freelance for Jersey Sport in order to improve the provision of data.

### **Sport Facilities Report**

The Panel noted that the report had been passed onto it in confidence and therefore this part of the meeting was held in private in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended) under Qualified Exemption Article 36.

The Panel thanked the Assistant Minister, CEO and Chair of Jersey Sport for their time and they exited the video conference.

### **3. Memoranda of Understanding: States Owned Entities and Arm’s Length Organisations**

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The Panel agreed to write to the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture, Minister for External Relations and Minister for International Development to ask for a list of MoU's under each of their remits.	
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<b>4. Future Meetings</b>	
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The Panel noted that its next scheduled meeting would take place on Friday 18th September at 10:45am in the Le Capelain room, States Building.	
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# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

Date: 10th September 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Deputy Kevin Pamplin
Apologies	Senator Kristina Moore
Absent	
In attendance	Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. CICRA Review: Public Hearing with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture: Preparation</b></p> <p>The Panel met to prepare for the Public Hearing with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture due to take place on 11th September at 11:30am.</p>	



# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

Date: 11th September 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Deputy Kevin Pamplin
Apologies	Senator Kristina Moore
Absent	
In attendance	Senator Lyndon Farnham, Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Richard Corrigan, Group Director - Financial Services and Digital Economy Colin Gibaut, Director Strategic Development Financial Services and Digital Economy  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. CICRA Review: Public Hearing with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture</b></p> <p>The Panel received the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture and government officials for a Public Hearing to discuss the demerge of CICRA. The proceedings were webcast and recorded in order that a transcript could be made.</p>	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 14th September 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Deputy Kevin Pamplin
Apologies	Senator Kristina Moore
Absent	
In attendance	Murray Norton, Chief Executive Officer, Chamber of Commerce Jennifer Carnegie, President, Chamber of Commerce  Ben Walker, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Meeting with Chamber of Commerce (CoC)</b></p> <p>The Panel received Murray Norton, Chief Executive Officer, CoC ('CEO') and Jennifer Carnegie, President, CoC ('President') for its weekly catch-up session.</p> <p>The Panel expressed concern about the Government's proposals to defer the Islands population Census and how this would be perceived by the public. The CoC advised that its Finance Committee had warned that, without population statistics, they could not carry out forward planning. It was also advised that a lack of flexibility in planning control remained an important issue and stressed that the Island needed to be as flexible as commercially possible, with greater focus on the use of existing commercial space.</p> <p>The Panel noted examples from the UK where commercial premises had been repurposed as residential accommodation and expressed concern that the effects of this were to create low quality and unsuitable residential accommodation. The Panel emphasised that any transition of commercial property to residential property would need to include standards for conversion of commercial property to residential use.</p> <p>In relation to the Government Co-Funded Payroll Scheme ('Scheme'), the CoC expressed concern that the Scheme was only officially confirmed until the end of December 2020. The CoC concerns centred on the first quarter of 2021 and that much uncertainty remained about what support for businesses would be in place during those months.</p> <p>It was understood that a new, targeted fund operated by Jersey Business would be in place to offer support but there were a number of businesses including tourism marketing companies and gyms that were unlikely to receive adequate support. It was further advised that business support should be based on the detriment to the business as opposed to the industry.</p>	

The Panel questioned the 43% reduction in footfall in the St Helier high street, as reported in the CoC newsletter, and asked how the CoC believed the retail sector in Jersey was coping. It was advised that footfall had improved initially after lockdown restrictions were eased but had since decreased. It was also advised that Fridays were usually a peak day in terms of high street footfall but that retailers were still finding it increasingly difficult and that the Christmas period was likely to be much leaner than previous years.

The Panel wished to know whether the CoC was aware of any businesses that planned to close as a result of the disruption caused by the pandemic and subsequent losses. The CoC advised that it would be monitoring the impact of the £100 Spend Local debit card issued as part of a series of fiscal stimulus measures designed to boost local consumer confidence and its impact would depend on where the funds were spent.

The Panel expressed concern about the disruptive implications of COVID-19 on the food and commodities markets and the impact of this on food prices in Jersey when taken in consideration with the prospect of a 'no-deal' Brexit. It was advised that CoC had been in discussions with the Minister for External Relations and the Ports of Jersey about the issue of customs declarations and the subsequent administration required to implement this. It was also advised that the CoC was concerned about price rises and the level of business preparedness for a 'no-deal' Brexit, resulting in substantial complications and additional costs.

The Panel questioned whether businesses would still be able to follow the same processes for importing and exporting goods by the 31st December 2020. It was advised that it was likely a 'soft approach' would be adopted by Customs and Immigration which would enable businesses to build up a line of credit, underwritten by a bank, so that they would not have to pay the additional costs of import each time goods were brought into the Island.

The Panel asked whether the Customs and Immigration Department would require additional administrative requirements from the 1st January 2021. It was understood that additional administrative resources would be implemented by the Department from 1st January.

The Panel expressed concern about a potential shortage of construction materials to meet the Island's existing and new construction projects. It was advised that some shortages had occurred through 'panic buying' following the disruption to global supply chains and that all materials for construction projects were sourced through local construction supply merchants.

The Panel thanked the CoC for their time and they exited the video conference.

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

Date: 18th September 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chairman Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chairman Deputy Kevin Pamplin
Apologies	Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Jess Perchard
Absent	
In attendance	Nikita Hall, Committee and Panel Officer Ben Walker, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Records of Meetings</b></p> <p>The Panel approved the records of its meetings held on 20th and 21st August and 3rd and 4th September 2020.</p>	
<p><b>2. COVID-19 Response and Recovery Review</b></p> <p>In relation to the Panel's draft interim report on the response to COVID-19, it considered whether a follow-up meeting with the Minister the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture was necessary. In its discussion on this matter, the Panel noted the concerns raised by some businesses about the short time frame in which decisions had been made and which sectors had been chosen for the government Co-Funded Payroll Scheme. The Panel agreed that a follow up meeting could be useful to discuss what the Department had learned from the experience of responding to COVID-19 and how that would shape the future response. The Panel agreed to consider the interim report further before confirming whether a follow-up meeting was required.</p> <p>The Panel requested that the Officer schedule a meeting with its advisor on either the 2nd or 9th October.</p> <p>The Panel expressed concern about recent changes to the travel guidance issued by the Government of Jersey in relation to COVID-19 and the reluctance to use regional travel guidance whilst a potential second national lockdown was being considered in the UK. The Panel agreed to write to the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture to request an update on the impact on sea and air travel links and for concerns about the COVID-19 rating of regions in the UK.</p>	<p><b>BW/KB</b></p> <p><b>KB</b></p> <p><b>KB</b></p>
<p><b>3. CICRA</b></p> <p>The Panel considered the second stage of its review of the demerge of CICRA which was to include analysis of the governance, independence, cost and the resources of the Jersey Competition Regulatory Authority ('JCRA'). In that regard, a second Public Hearing with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture was due to be organised.</p>	<p><b>KB</b></p>

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<p><b>4. External Relations Processes</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that the report was likely to be presented during the week commencing 21st September.</p>	
<p><b>5. Government Plan</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that its previous report on the Government Plan 2020-2023 had used a system of 'Red Amber Green' ratings to prioritise Government Plan projects. The Panel asked the Officer to arrange a private meeting, in the weeks following the Panel's meeting, with various Ministers under its remit to seek clarification about whether the projects set out in R.89 Government Plan (6-Monthly Update) Report were part of the 'Rebalancing Report' or were to be included as a feature of the Government Plan in future.</p>	<p><b>KB</b></p>
<p><b>6. Briefing on Financial Services (Disclosure and Provision of Information) (Jersey) Regulations and Order</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that it was due to receive Government Officials for a briefing on the above legislation on Monday 21st September at 3pm.</p>	
<p><b>7. Appointment of New Panel Members</b></p> <p>The Panel agreed to appoint Deputy Inna Gardiner and Deputy Steve Luce to the Panel and noted that Deputy Jess Perchard would be formally withdrawing from the Panel. The Officer was asked to request that the Panel's proposed appointments were added to the States Assembly Order paper for the week commencing 21st September.</p>	<p><b>BW</b></p>
<p><b>8. Future Meetings</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that its next meeting would take place on 2nd October at 10:45am in the Le Capelain room, States Building.</p>	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 21st September 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Deputy Kevin Pamplin
Apologies	Senator Kristina Moore
Absent	
In attendance	<b>Item 1</b>  Murray Norton, Chief Executive Officer, Chamber of Commerce  <b>Item 2</b>  Helen De La Cour, Lead Policy Adviser, Financial Services & Digital Economy James Silverton, Director, Financial Services & Digital Economy  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Meeting with Chamber of Commerce (CoC)</b></p> <p>The Panel met Murray Norton, Chief Executive Officer of the Chamber of Commerce to discuss the Government's response to the Covid-19 pandemic. The following matters were discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• In relation to the tourism industry, the CoC explained that it was likely a number of hotels would be forced to close or sell as a result of the pandemic. He explained that the 3* hotel market was most at risk. It was the CEO's view that if these hotels were not supported, it would impact negatively on the tourism industry because if there were less 3* hotels within Jersey's hospitality market, this would result in a reduced number of passengers visiting Jersey through the airport and harbour.</li><li>• The CEO raised concern on whether additional support schemes would be implemented for organisations who were unable to operate due to the pandemic. Events companies were discussed as an example and it was noted that the government's position was unclear on whether additional support schemes would be rolled out to individual companies.</li><li>• The Panel also discussed whether there would be any support packages for businesses who did not ordinarily fit within the sector specific criteria identified within the support packages already implemented.</li><li>• The CEO also raised concern about the funding associated with the Co-Funded Payroll Scheme and how it could be guaranteed until the end of March 2021, ahead of the debate on the Government Plan.</li></ul>	

The Panel thanked the CEO for his time, and he exited the video conference.

## **2. Financial Services (Disclosure and Provision of Information) (Jersey) Regulations 202-**

The Panel met the Helen De La Cour, Lead Policy Adviser, Financial Services & Digital Economy and James Silverton, Director, Financial Services & Digital Economy for a briefing on the Financial Services (Disclosure and Provision of Information) (Jersey) Regulations. The Lead Policy Advisor provided an overview of legislation and it was noted that the Law was approved by the States Assembly in July 2020. The Law implemented the requirements set out by the Financial Action Task Force (FATF) and in particular Recommendation 24.

It was the intention that the Law would be brought into force together with the Draft Order and Draft Regulations on 1st December 2020.

The Lead Policy Advisor explained that the main features of the Draft Order were:

- Details of the information required to be provided to the Commission about beneficial owners of entities;
- Details of the information required to be provided to the Commission about significant persons of entities;
- Additional information to be provided to the Commission by companies; and
- Exemptions from compliance with certain provisions of the Law for the Viscount when administering an entity in bankruptcy.

The Panel was also advised that the Draft Regulations sought to:

- Provide for what information about an entity's significant persons shall appear on the public register of significant persons;
- Provide an additional amount to be paid to the Treasurer in respect of annual confirmation fees;
- Set out the application process for preventing information about a significant person from being available for public inspection;
- Set out an appeals process;
- Make consequential amendments (including prohibition on bearer shares);
- Repeal certain provisions of existing legislation; and
- Provide transitional provisions for making public information.

The Panel raised a number of queries including the dual nationality of significant persons, reporting on applications made under Regulation 5 (which stated that the Commission was responsible for providing the States, any Minister or any other public body with reports, advice, assistance and information in relation to any matter connected with financial services) and Moneyval processes. The Lead Policy Advisor agreed to provide the Panel with further clarity on the issues that it had raised.

The Panel thanked the Government Officials for their time, and they exited the video conference.

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 28th September 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Deputy Kevin Pamplin [item 1] Deputy Steve Luce
Apologies	Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Inna Gardiner
Absent	
In attendance	<b>Item 1</b>  Senator Ian Gorst, Minister for External Relations George Pearmain, Director of Financial Crime Alex Rowse, Lead Policy Adviser, Financial Crime Mark Temple QC, Attorney General Advocate Steve Meiklejohn, Law Officers' Department DCI Mark Coxshall, States of Jersey Police DI Louise Clayson, Head of Financial Investigations Unit, States of Jersey Police Caroline Morgan, Industry and International Engagement, Jersey Financial Services Commission  <b>Item 2</b>  Murray Norton, Chief Executive Officer, Chamber of Commerce Jennifer Carnegie, President, Chamber of Commerce  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Ben Walker, Research and Project Officer [item 1]

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. Briefing: National Risk Assessment for Money Laundering</b>  The Panel was briefed by the Minister for External Relations and Government Officials on the development of Jersey's National Risk Assessment for Money Laundering. This meeting was held in private in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended) under Qualified Exemption Article 35.	
<b>2. Meeting with Chamber of Commerce (CoC)</b>  The Panel met Murray Norton and Jennifer Carnegie, Chief Executive Officer and President of the Chamber of Commerce to discuss the Government's response to the Covid-19 pandemic. The following matters were discussed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The CoC were concerned about the announcement by the Minister for Health and Social Services for masks to be worn when outside the home. From a</li></ul>	



retail perspective, the CoC believed that retailers would be in the “firing line” for enforcing the use of masks. The Panel and CoC agreed that masks should be mandatory only if the scientific evidence supported it as a requirement in Jersey.

- A discussion on the effect of Covid-19 on young people followed and it was noted that anti-social behaviour was likely to become more prevalent in the community.
- The CEO explained that it was likely that some people had spent their £100 (as part of the fiscal stimulus package) on Christmas shopping. In that regard, the CEO believed that it would be important that people were encouraged to shop local around the Christmas period when retailers relied on additional footfall and spending.
- In relation to the Island Plan the CoC were concerned about the bridging Island Plan and believed that the existing plan should remain operational in the short term, whilst a wide-ranging Island Plan was developed.

The CoC also raised Brexit as a topic for discussion at the next catch-up session on 5th October.

The Panel thanked the President and CEO for their time, and they exited the video conference.

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Hybrid meeting

Date: 30th September 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Steve Luce (by Teams video conference) Deputy Inna Gardiner (by Teams video conference)
Apologies	Deputy Kevin Pamplin
Absent	
In attendance	Stephanie Peat, Director of Digital and Telecoms Policy, Office of the Chief Executive Stephanie Luce, Digital Policy Advisor, Office of the Chief Executive Tracy Mourant Private Secretary to the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture (by Teams video conference)  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Katherine de Carteret, Committee and Panel Officer Ben Walker, Research and Project Officer (by Teams video conference)

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Briefing: Draft Data Protection (Amendment of Law) (Jersey) Regulations 202- (P.121/2020)</b></p> <p>The Panel was briefed by Government Officials on the amendment lodged by the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture on the 'Draft Data Protection (Amendment of Law) (Jersey) Regulations 202- (P.121/2020)'.</p> <p>The Panel recalled that the legislative framework in Jersey, namely the Data Protection (Jersey) Law 2018 and the Data Protection Authority (Jersey) Law 2018 had come into effect in 2018. The Panel was advised that the legislation had brought Jersey in line with the EU's General Data Protection Regulation and that it had been designed to ensure that Jersey (as a 'third country' outside the European Economic Area (EEA)) remained 'adequate', which would allow it to maintain the free flow of data to and from the Island from EU member states.</p> <p>The exit of the United Kingdom ('UK') from the European Union on 31st January 2020 ('Brexit') resulted in the UK's classification as a third country without an adequacy decision, however, a transition period was in place for the UK until 1st January 2021, which permitted the EEA states and adequate jurisdictions to free-flow data with the UK. The Council of Ministers had agreed to amend legislation to maintain the UK as an equivalent of a third country for the transition period.</p> <p>The Director of Digital and Telecoms Policy explained that, in the scenario where the UK did not reach an agreement with the EU for Brexit, the further proposed</p>	

amendment to the Data Protection (Jersey) Law 2018 would provide continuity and secure the continued free flow of data with the UK until December 2021.

The Panel queried the EU's onward flow of data, particularly how Jersey's relationship for sharing data with the UK and EU would be affected if the EU was to find that the UK was not 'adequate'. The Director confirmed that Jersey had been upfront with the EU in discussions on this matter and had ultimately undertaken a similar course of action to other jurisdictions (such as Guernsey and the Isle of Man). It was further confirmed that no concerns had been identified or raised by the EU to date.

The Panel thanked Officers for the update and noted that it would keep a watching brief on the status of the UK.

## **2. Briefing: Cyber Security Risk Assessment Project**

The Panel was briefed by Government Officials on the cyber security risk assessment project. This meeting was held in private in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended) under Qualified Exemption Article 35.

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 1st October 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Deputy Steve Luce Deputy Inna Gardiner Deputy Kevin Pamplin
Apologies	Senator Kristina Moore
Absent	
In attendance	Ian Clarkson, Registrar of Aircraft & Shipping, Office of the Chief Executive  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Katherine de Carteret, Committee and Panel Officer Ben Walker, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. Interim Retail Strategy</b>  The Panel was briefed by Ian Clarkson, Registrar of Aircraft and Shipping on the Government of Jersey Interim Retail Strategy. This meeting was held in private in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended) under Qualified Exemption Article 35.	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Hybrid meeting

Date: 2nd October 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Kevin Pamplin Deputy Steve Luce Deputy Inna Gardiner
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Ben Walker, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. Records of Meetings</b>  The Panel approved the records of the meetings held on 10th and 11th September 2020.	
<b>2. Covid-19 Response and Recovery Review</b>  The Panel recalled that it had received a draft interim report on the response phase of the pandemic on 7th September. The Panel discussed the draft and requested several sections to be added.  The Panel noted that it was due to meet its advisor, Jeffrey Matsu (CIPFA) on Friday 9th October to discuss the way forward for its recovery phase of the review. The Panel received a discussion paper and identified several new areas to discuss including the Fiscal Stimulus package, Economic Framework and economic recovery packages.	<b>KB</b>
<b>3. Demerge of CICRA</b>  The Panel noted that it was due to hold its second Public Hearing with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture on 15th October 2020. In that regard, the Panel agreed to review the question plan and identify any other additional areas of questioning.	
<b>4. Process within External Relations Review</b>  The Panel noted that its final report was due to be presented the week commencing 5th October. The Chair agreed to include the Foreword within the next day or so.	<b>KM</b>
<b>5. Government Plan 2021-24</b>  The Panel received a paper on the additional revenue projects identified within the Government Plan 2021 – 2024. The Panel agreed to review the projects and discuss the matter again at its next meeting. The Panel noted that its first Public Hearing on the Government Plan would take place on Friday 16th October with the Minister for External Relations.	

<b>6. Ports of Jersey</b> The Panel noted that it had not met the Chief Executive Officer of Ports of Jersey since he had been appointed to the role. The Panel requested that a meeting was organised with the CEO in due course.	<b>KB</b>
<b>7. Future Meetings</b> The Panel noted that its next scheduled meeting would take place on Friday 16th October at 10:45am in the Le Capelain Room, States Building.	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 5th October 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Kevin Pamplin
Apologies	Deputy Steve Luce Deputy Inna Gardiner
Absent	
In attendance	Murray Norton, Chief Executive Officer, Chamber of Commerce Jennifer Carnegie, President, Chamber of Commerce  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Ben Walker, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Meeting with Chamber of Commerce (CoC)</b></p> <p>The Panel met Murray Norton and Jennifer Carnegie, Chief Executive Officer and President of the Chamber of Commerce to discuss the Government's response to the Covid-19 pandemic. The following matters were discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The use of masks, particularly in retail areas when the prevalence of Covid-19 seemed low in Jersey.</li><li>• The certainty of phase 3 of the Co-Funded Payment Scheme to support businesses. It was noted that the Government Plan 2021 – 2024 would propose further funding until March 2021 and that currently, funding was only certain until December 2020.</li><li>• The closure of Broad Street and the impact on retailers. The Panel asked whether a formal submission could be provided in order to progress the matter further.</li></ul> <p>The Panel thanked the President and CEO for their time, and they exited the video conference.</p>	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 9th October 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Kevin Pamplin Deputy Steve Luce Deputy Inna Gardiner
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Jeffrey Matsu, Advisor, Chartered Institute of Public Finances and Accounting  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Covid-19 Response and Recovery Review</b></p> <p>The Panel met Jeffrey Matsu, its expert advisor from the Chartered Institute of Public Finances and Accounting (CIPFA). The Panel discussed with its advisor the timeline of the review and its main aims and objectives. It was agreed that the advisor would submit a report to the Panel before the end of November, which would enable the Panel to present its final report thereafter.</p> <p>The advisor requested a meeting with the Chief Economic Advisor and a meeting with a representative of the Economic Forecasting Group. The advisor also requested a number of documents from the Fiscal Policy Panel. The Officer advised that requests would be made and the meetings would be organised in due course.</p>	<b>KB</b>



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## Record of Meeting

Date: 15th October 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Deputy Inna Gardiner
Apologies	Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Kevin Pamplin Deputy Steve Luce
Absent	
In attendance	Senator Lyndon Farnham, Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Richard Corrigan, Group Director - Financial Services and Digital Economy Colin Gibaut, Director Strategic Development Financial Services and Digital Economy  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. CICRA Review: Public Hearing with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture</b></p> <p>The Panel received the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture and government officials for a Public Hearing to discuss the demerge of CICRA. The proceedings were webcast and recorded in order that a transcript could be made.</p>	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

Date: 16th October 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Deputy Kevin Pamplin Deputy Steve Luce Deputy Inna Gardiner
Apologies	Senator Kristina Moore
Absent	
In attendance	Senator Ian Gorst, Minister for External Relations [item 2] Connétable Richard Buchanan, Assistant Minister for External Relations [items 2] Richard Corrigan, Group Director - Financial Services and Digital Economy [item 2] David Walwyn, Director, External Relations [item 2] Fiona Smith, Business Performance and Planning Manager, Office of the Chief Executive [item 2]  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Records of Meetings</b></p> <p>The Panel approved the records of the meetings held on 14th, 18th, 21st, 28th and 30th September 2020 and 1st, 2nd and 5th October 2020.</p>	
<p><b>2. Government Plan 2021 – 2024: Public Hearing with the Minister for External Relations</b></p> <p>The Panel received the Minister for External Relations and government officials for a Public Hearing on the Government Plan 2021 - 2024. The proceedings were webcast and recorded in order that a transcript could be made.</p>	
<p><b>3. Covid-19: Response and Recovery</b></p> <p>The Panel agreed that its interim report should be published as soon as possible. It was noted that additional sections would be added, and a revised version would be circulated in due course.</p> <p>The Panel requested figures on visitor numbers to Jersey during the summer months and whether any data was available on the level of economic activity enabled by the Safer Travel Policy.</p>	KB
<p><b>4. Question Plan: Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for External Relations</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that it was due to receive the Minister for External Relations for a Quarterly Hearing on 23rd October. The Panel agreed a number of question areas in preparation for the Hearing.</p>	

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## 5. Farm Jersey

The Chair updated the Panel on a Farm Jersey conference he had attended earlier that week. The Panel agreed that it would be beneficial to meet with the CEO of Farm Jersey. Due to the Panel's workload, it was agreed that a meeting would take place towards the end of the year.

## 6. Forthcoming Propositions

The Panel noted that the following propositions were due for debate on 17th November:

- P.125/2020 [Draft Financial Services \(Disclosure and Provision of Information\) \(Jersey\) Regulations 202- \[P.125/2020\]](#)
- P.126/2020 [Draft Limited Partnerships \(Annual Additional Charge\) \(Amendment\) \(Jersey\) Regulations 202- \[P.126/2020\]](#)
- P.127/2020 [Draft Intellectual Property \(Unregistered Rights\) \(Marrakes Treaty\) \(Jersey\) Regulations 202- \[P.127/2020\]](#)

The Panel noted that it had previously received a briefing on P.125/2020 on 21st September. The Panel agreed to assess the propositions in order to decide whether any further work was necessary.

In relation to P.127/2020 the Panel was advised that a briefing was being organised.

## 7. Future Meetings

The Panel noted that its next scheduled meeting would take place on 30th October at 10:45am in the Le Capelain room, States Building or virtually via Teams.

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

Date: 21st October 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Deputy Kevin Pamplin Deputy Inna Gardiner
Apologies	Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Steve Luce
Absent	
In attendance	Senator Ian Gorst, Minister for External Relations David Walwyn, Director, External Relations Colin Gibaut, Director for Strategic Development, Financial Services and Digital Economy Lukaz Ament, Competition Policy Advisor, Strategic Policy, Planning and Performance John Vautier, Assistant Director Economy, Financial Services and Digital Economy Victoria Bell, Legal Advisor, Law Officers' Department  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Briefing on Draft Intellectual Property (Unregistered Rights) (Marrakesh Treaty) (Jersey) Regulations 202-</b></p> <p>The Panel met with the Minister for External Relations and Government Officials for a briefing on P.127/2020 (Draft Intellectual Property (Unregistered Rights) (Marrakesh Treaty) (Jersey) Regulations 202-) which was lodged by the Minister on 6th October 2020.</p> <p>It was noted that, if approved, the Regulations would ensure the compliance of Jersey law with the Marrakesh Treaty to “Facilitate Access to Published Works for Persons who were Blind, Visually Impaired or Otherwise Print Disabled” by January 2021. The Marrakesh Treaty had only come into effect in 2016 and aimed to improve visually impaired and print disabled people’s access to copyright works around the world. It was noted that Guernsey and the Isle of Man had also extended their Laws to comply with the Marrakesh Treaty.</p> <p>The Regulations would be made under the Intellectual Property (Unregistered Rights) (Jersey) Law 2011 which ensured protection for works such as books, films, CDs and video games. The Law also dealt with use of works in libraries or schools.</p> <p>It was noted that Jersey already complied with the Marrakesh Treaty obligations through Articles 49 to 54 of the 2011 Law, which were modelled on UK provisions in the Copyright, Designs and Patents Act 1988. As a result of changes to the UK</p>	

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provisions, a small number of amendments were required to align the 2011 Law exceptions for visually impaired persons with the Marrakesh Treaty's obligations.

The Panel asked whether the Marrakesh Treaty was only in relation to vision impairment. The Government Official explained that there could be a wider range of impairments included under the Treaty. The Treaty covered literacy and artistic works which was why the scope of the amendment was focussed on vision.

The Government Officials advised the Panel that legislative changes were necessary for compliance with the Marrakesh Treaty given that it had come into effect in 2016 after the 2011 Law came into force.

The Panel was also provided with an overview of the Rome convention which had been in existence longer than the Marrakesh Treaty. The Panel was advised that, since the Rome Convention had been drafted to be compliant with the 2011 Law, it was unlikely that legislation would need to be brought to the States for approval.

## **2. Draft Geographical Indicators (Jersey) Regulations 202-**

The Panel was also provided with a briefing on the Draft Geographic Indicators Regulations. It was expected that the Regulations would be lodged imminently.

The Panel was advised that the Regulations, if approved, would provide additional protection in Jersey Law to geographical indicators for goods in the European Union (EU) and which the UK would continue to recognise after leaving the EU. The Panel agreed that a further briefing may be required once the Regulations had been lodged.

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

Date: 23rd October 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Deputy Kevin Pamplin Deputy Steve Luce Deputy Inna Gardiner [Item 2]
Apologies	Senator Kristina Moore
Absent	
In attendance	<p><b>Item 1</b></p> <p>Senator Ian Gorst, Minister for External Relations Connétable Richard Buchanan, Assistant Minister for External Relations Tom Le Feuvre, Director, Global Markets and International Agreements Tom Wherry, Lead Policy Advisor, Financial Services and Brexit James Silverston, Director Financial Services, Office of the Chief Executive</p> <p><b>Item 2</b></p> <p>Deputy Montfort Tadier, Assistant Minister, Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Chris Kelleher, Manager, Strategic Policy, Financial Services and Economy Dan Houseago, Group Director Economy, Financial Services and Economy Louise Richardson, Lead Policy Advisor, Private Wealth, Strategic Policy, Planning and Performance</p> <p>Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Theodore Stone, Research and Project Officer [Item 1]</p>

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for External Relations</b></p> <p>The Panel held a Public Hearing with the Minister for External Relations and Government Officials via video conference. The proceedings were streamed live via Microsoft Teams and a recording was made so that a transcript could be produced.</p>	
<p><b>2. Briefing: Jersey Heritage Trust: Amendments to Constitution (P.142/2020)</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Assistant Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture and Government Officials for a briefing on P.142/2020 “Jersey Heritage Trust: Amendments to Constitution”.</p> <p>The Panel was advised that the Jersey Heritage Trust was a body corporate established by law. The Government of Jersey provided a grant to the JHT (£3.3 million) and it self-generated half of its own funds. It was noted that COVID-19 had impacted on the amount of self-generated funding the JHT had made in 2020.</p>	

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The proposition sought to register the JHT as a Jersey registered charity in order to be able to:

- benefit from tax emptions (which were only available to registered charities)
- to access certain grants only available to registered charities,
- to be able to call itself a charity; and
- to reflect on its commitment to governance and charitable principles.

The Panel was advised that, if the proposition was approved, the JHT would receive charitable status by the end of 2020. The Panel welcomed greater independence of the JHT but raised concerns about the governance arrangements over specific heritage sites and the Government's oversight of them. The Government Officials explained that oversight would be provided by reporting, supervision and control from various contracts, partnership agreements, statutory provisions, leases and other legal documents between the Government and JHT. Further oversight would be provided through the annual return for review by the Charities Commission, which would set out how the JHT had complied with its duty to provide public benefit according to its purposes.

The Government Officials advised that there was a suite of legislative work to be undertaken to provide additional assurances around governance and constitutional arrangements with the JHT. It was anticipated that this would be brought to the States in 2021.

The Panel recalled that Jersey Heritage had been included in the distribution list for receiving proceeds from the Channel Island lottery. The Government Officials confirmed that the charity would qualify on both counts for funding.

The Panel asked what progress had been made in the development of a Heritage Strategy. The Assistant Minister advised that a strategy was currently being developed and would be completed in due course. The Panel commented that it would be important for the strategy to include a plan on how to connect the public with heritage and cultural sites.

The Panel requested the documents mentioned during the briefing such as the Memorandum of Understanding and the Service Level Agreement. The Panel confirmed that, although the proposition had not flagged up any major concerns, it intended to review the MoU and SLA documents.

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 26th October 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Senator Kristina Moore
Apologies	Deputy Kevin Pamplin Deputy Steve Luce Deputy Inna Gardiner
Absent	
In attendance	Murray Norton, Chief Executive Officer, Chamber of Commerce Jennifer Carnegie, President, Chamber of Commerce  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Covid-19 Response: Meeting with the Chamber of Commerce</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Chief Executive Officer and President of the Chamber of Commerce (CoC) via video conference to discuss the response to Covid-19 and concerns raised by the business community. The following was noted:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Supply lines and access to products for businesses. The CoC explained that, in addition to Covid-19 having an impact on supply lines, Brexit would also have an effect on businesses.</li><li>• Brexit and EU nationals. The CoC explained that there would be an impact on businesses in relation to securing workers from EU countries. It was noted that workers would need a visa to work in Jersey and would need to have secured a job before moving to Jersey.</li><li>• The CoC explained that it was highly likely costs would increase for businesses in the coming months.</li><li>• Guidance on wearing masks. The CoC commented on the public's reaction to the Government's recent guidance on wearing face masks. The CoC had engaged with the retail sector for their views and noted that some retailers had expressed support for introducing legislation in relation to face masks.</li><li>• The increase in the number of active Covid-19 cases in Jersey. The CoC commented that the direction of the Government in terms of next steps was unclear. It was noted that Jersey was still at Level 1 of the Government's Safe Exit Framework and there was confusion as to whether new restrictions would be put in place to mitigate against the surge in cases.</li><li>• The recently lodged proposition on migration policy. The CoC explained that it was likely that the hospitality sector would be the most impacted by any proposed policy on migration.</li></ul> <p>The Panel thanked the Chief Executive Officer and President for their time and they withdrew from the meeting.</p>	



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## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 30th October 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Deputy Kevin Pamplin Deputy Steve Luce
Apologies	Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Inna Gardiner
Absent	
In attendance	Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Ben Walker, Research and Project Officer  Carolyn Labey, Minister for International Development [item 2] Edward Lewis, Programme Manager, Jersey Overseas Aid [item 2]

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. Records of Meetings</b>  The Panel noted and approved the records of the meetings held on 9th, 15th, 16th and 21st October 2020.	
<b>2. Government Plan Review: Public Hearing with the Minister for International Development</b>  The Panel held a Public Hearing with the Minister for International Development via video conference. The proceedings were streamed live via Microsoft Teams and a recording was made so that a transcript could be produced.	
<b>3. Covid-19 Response and Recovery Review</b>  The Panel noted that it was due to receive the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture for a Public Hearing on 13th November.  The Panel also noted that its advisor, Jeffrey Matsu (CIPFA), would submit a report before the end of November 2020.  The Panel was provided with a copy of the draft interim report. The Panel agreed that it would meet during the week commencing 2nd November to discuss the key findings and recommendations.	<b>KB</b>
<b>4. Decision to demerge CICRA</b>  The Panel discussed the next steps of the review and agreed that its reviews of Covid-19: Response and Recovery and the Government Plan would take priority. In that regard, it was agreed that the Panel would continue with the review towards the end of 2020.	
<b>5. Government Plan Review</b>	

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The Panel noted that progress was being made on the review. It had received both the Minister for External Relations and Minister for International Development for Public Hearings and was due to meet the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture on 6th November.

In terms of the Public Hearing with the Minister for Economic Development, the Panel was advised that a number of questions had been passed to the Minister for written responses.

The Officer advised that progress was being made on the Panel's draft report.

## **6. Forthcoming Propositions**

The Panel noted that a number of Propositions were due to be debated in the States which fell under its remit. These were:

- P.125/2020 Draft Financial Services (Disclosure and Provision of Information) (Jersey) Regulations 202- due for debate on 17th November 2020
- P.33/2020 Draft Financial Services (Disclosure and Provision of Information) (Jersey) Law 202- (Appointed Day) Act 202- Due for debate on 17th November 2020
- P.126/2020 Draft Limited Partnerships (Annual Additional Charge) (Amendment) (Jersey) Regulations 202- due for debate on 17th November 2020
- P.127/2020 Draft Intellectual Property (Unregistered Rights) (Marrakesh Treaty) (Jersey) Regulations 202- due for debate on 17th November 2020
- P.142/2020 Jersey Heritage Trust: Amendments to Constitution due for debate on 1st December 2020.
- P.141/2020 CI Lottery: Allocation of 2019 Proceeds due for debate on 1st December 2020

The Panel noted that a Comments paper had been drafted on P.125/2020 which also mentioned P.33/2020. The Panel approved the Comments and noted that they would be presented to the States imminently.

The Panel discussed P.126/2020 and noted that it would result in a minor change in the legislation. It agreed that no further action was necessary.

The Panel recalled that it had received a briefing on P.127/2020 on 21st October and confirmed that it had no concerns about the proposition.

The Panel recalled that it had received a briefing on P.142/2020 on 23rd October. Deputy Johnson agreed to analyse the proposition further and report back to the Panel if there were any concerns.

The Panel was advised that a briefing was being organised on P.141/2020.

The Panel also briefly discussed P.140/2020 "Immigration and Social Security Co-Ordination (EU Withdrawal) Act 2020: Extension to Jersey by Order in Council" which

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had been lodged by the Chief Minister. The Panel agreed to examine the proposition before the debate on 3rd November.	
<b>7. Future Meetings</b>  The Panel noted that its next scheduled meeting would take place on 13th November at 10:45 in either the Le Capelain Room or via Teams.	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 4th November 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Deputy Kevin Pamplin Deputy Steve Luce Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Inna Gardiner
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Ben Walker, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. COVID-19: Response and Recovery Report</b>  The Panel met to discuss its report on the response to COVID-19. The Panel agreed a number of changes and noted that a revised version would be circulated in due course.	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 6th November 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Deputy Kevin Pamplin Deputy Steve Luce Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Inna Gardiner
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Senator Lyndon Farnham, Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Deputy Montford Tadier, Assistant Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Richard Corrigan, Group Director, Financial Services and Digital Economy Daniel Houseago, Group Director, Economy Chris Kelleher, Strategic Policy Manager Colin Gibaut, Director, Financial Services and Digital Economy John Vautier, Agricultural and Business Adviser  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Ben Walker, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. Government Plan – Public Hearing with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture</b>  The Panel received the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture for a Public Hearing on the development of the Government Plan 2021-2024. The proceedings were webcast live and a recording was made so that a transcript could be produced.	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 9th November 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Steve Luce Deputy Kevin Pamplin
Apologies	Deputy Inna Gardiner
Absent	
In attendance	Murray Norton, Chief Executive Officer, Chamber of Commerce Jennifer Carnegie, President, Chamber of Commerce  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Ben Walker, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Meeting with the Chamber of Commerce</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Chief Executive Officer and President of the Chamber of Commerce ('CoC') for an update on the response to COVID-19 as well as other developments. The following was discussed:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Whether the Vote of No Confidence proposition, lodged on 2nd November, would impact the delivery of the Government Plan 2021-2024.</li><li>• The implications for Jersey regarding the end of the Brexit Transition Period, which was due to take effect from 1st January 2021. The CoC expressed concern that the expiry of the Brexit Transition Period would result in cost increases for its members and difficulties in attracting European Union nationals to work in the Island.</li></ul> <p>The Panel thanked the CoC for their time and they exited the video conference.</p>	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 13th November 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Deputy Steve Luce Deputy Kevin Pamplin Deputy Inna Gardiner
Apologies	Senator Kristina Moore
Absent	
In attendance	Senator Lyndon Farnham, Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Richard Corrigan, Group Director, Financial Services and Digital Economy Daniel Houseago, Group Director, Economy Barclay Harvey, Head of Operations, Sport, Infrastructure, Housing and Environment  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Ben Walker, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. Records of Meetings</b>  The Panel approved the records of its meetings held on 23rd, 26th and 30th October 2020.	
<b>2. Covid-19 Response and Recovery: Public Hearing with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture</b>  The Panel received the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture for a Public Hearing on the Government's response to Covid-19. The proceedings were webcast live and a recording was made so that a transcript could be produced.	
<b>3. Covid-19 Response and Recovery Review</b>  The Panel noted that a revised version of the draft report had been circulated via Teams on 4th November.	
<b>4. Government Plan</b>  The Panel noted that progress was being made on the draft report.	
<b>5. Forthcoming Propositions</b>  The Panel noted that the following propositions had been lodged for debate on 1st December: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• P.142/2020 <a href="#">Jersey Heritage Trust: Amendments to Constitution</a></li><li>• P.141/2020 <a href="#">CI Lottery: Allocation of 2019 Proceeds</a></li></ul>	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• P.145/2020 <a href="#">Draft Geographical Indications (Jersey) Regulations 202-</a></li> </ul> <p>In relation to P.141/2020, the Panel noted that a briefing was currently being organised.</p>	
<p><b>6. Future Meetings</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that its next scheduled meeting would take place on 27th November at 10:45am in the either the Le Capelain room or via Teams.</p>	



# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 23rd November 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Inna Gardiner Deputy Steve Luce [Item 1 only] Deputy Kevin Pamplin [Item 1 only]
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	<b>Item 1</b>  Nathan Fox, Head of Policy, Criminal Justice  <b>Item 2</b>  Murray Norton, Chief Executive Officer, Chamber of Commerce Jennifer Carnegie, President, Chamber of Commerce  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer [Item 1] Ben Walker, Research and Project Officer [Item 2]

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Draft Covid-19 (Workplace Restrictions) (Amendment) Regulations (P.158/2020)</b></p> <p>Following the joint briefing with members of the Health and Social Security Panel on 16th November, the Panel received an additional briefing on P.158/2020.</p> <p>The Panel asked a number of questions relating to the data gathering element of the proposals including whether members of the public would be liable to a penalty for deliberately providing false information. The Head of Policy confirmed that, although this possibility of creating a penalty was discussed, it was deemed disproportionate to criminalise the public in this way.</p> <p>The Head of Policy advised that the Panel would receive a copy of the draft Ministerial Order in due course, as well as the supporting guidelines for businesses.</p> <p>The Panel thanked the Head of Policy for his time and he exited the video conference.</p>	
<p><b>2. Meeting with the Chamber of Commerce</b></p> <p>The Panel met the Chief Executive Officer and President of the Chamber of Commerce ('CoC') for an update on the response to COVID-19 as well as other developments. The following was discussed:</p>	

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The mask wearing requirement proposed by the Minister for Health and Social Services via the Draft COVID-19 (Workplace Restrictions) (Amendment) (Jersey) Regulations 202-. It was noted that the proposition related to compulsory mask wearing for customers entering a workplace and what implications this would have on the retail and hospitality sector;</li><li>• The Visitor Accommodation Support Scheme which commenced on the 23rd November 2020, which would provide support for Registered Accommodation Providers up to April 2021;</li><li>• The expiry of the Brexit Transition Period and its implications for Jersey's fishing industry;</li><li>• The impact of the Christmas holiday period on Jersey's retail sector and the St Helier Town Hall 'Virtual Christmas Light Switch On';</li><li>• The impact of COVID-19 on Jersey's level of unemployment across various sectors;</li><li>• The updated Co-Funded Payroll Scheme, which included the introduction of a 'sliding scale' of financial support, made available to businesses depending on their level of financial detriment.</li></ul> |  |
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The Panel thanked the CoC for their time and they exited the video conference.

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

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### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 26th November 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair, Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Kevin Pamplin Deputy Inna Gardner Deputy Steve Luce
Apologies	
In attendance	Senator Lyndon Farnham, Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Paul McGinnety, Director, Local Services Darren Scott, Director of Partnerships, Office of the Chief Executive  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee & Panel Officer Ben Walker, Research & Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. Briefing – CI Lottery: Allocation of 2019 Proceeds [P.141/2020]</b>  The Panel received a private briefing from the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture and his Officers, on the draft proposition CI Lottery: Allocation of 2019 Proceeds [P.141/2020]. The record of this meeting was classified as exempt in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended) under Absolute Exemption Article 26.	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 27th November 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Deputy Steve Luce Deputy Kevin Pamplin Deputy Inna Gardiner Senator Kristina Moore
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Ben Walker, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. Records of Meetings</b>  The Panel noted and approved the records of its meetings held on 4th, 6th, 9th and 13th November 2020.	
<b>2. Covid-19 Response and Recovery Review</b>  The Panel noted that the Covid-19 Response report was ready to be sent for factual checking with a turnaround date of Wednesday 2nd December. The report would then be ready for Panel approval.  The Panel asked when it was due to receive its report from its advisor at CIPFA. The Panel was advised that the report was expected to be received by Friday 27th November.	
<b>3. Government Plan</b>  The Panel received the draft report on the Government Plan 2021 - 2024. The Officer presented the report to the Panel which included a run through of the draft key findings and recommendations and the 'Red Amber Green' project classification.  The Panel expressed concern about the Fort Regent project including the costs of maintenance, past feasibility studies about the potential uses for Fort Regent and a lack of future planning. The Panel asked the Officer to draft a briefing paper on the Fort Regent site for it to consider in 2021.  The Panel was advised that sections of the report would be sent to the relevant Government Departments on Monday 30th November.	<b>BW</b>
<b>4. Forthcoming Propositions</b>  The Panel noted that the following propositions were due for debate on 1st December: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• P.142/2020 <a href="#">Jersey Heritage Trust: Amendments to Constitution</a></li><li>• P.141/2020 <a href="#">CI Lottery: Allocation of 2019 Proceeds</a></li></ul>	

<p>The Panel noted that the following proposition was due for debate on 19th January 2021 and that the Minister for External Relations was due to request that the debate take place on 1st December:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• P.145/2020 <a href="#">Draft Geographical Indications (Jersey) Regulations 202-</a></li> </ul>	
<p><b>5. Public Hearing with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture</b></p> <p>The Panel noted it was due to receive the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture for a Public Hearing on 11th December at 11:30am.</p>	
<p><b>6. Meeting Schedule 2021</b></p> <p>The Panel considered potential meeting dates for 2021 noting that the States Assembly cycle had been amended from 2 weeks to 3 weeks and agreed to postpone a decision on 2021 meeting dates until its next meeting.</p>	
<p><b>7. Panel constitution</b></p> <p>The Chair announced his intention to resign from the Panel in order to accept a position as Assistant Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture. The Panel agreed that the Chair would resign from the Panel once the Covid-19 Response and Government Plan reports had been published.</p>	
<p><b>8. Future Meetings</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that its next scheduled meeting would take place on 11th December at 10:45am in the either the Le Capelain room or via Teams.</p>	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 30th November 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Kevin Pamplin Deputy Inna Gardner Deputy Steve Luce
Apologies	
In attendance	Nathan Fox, Head of Policy, Criminal Justice, Strategic Policy, Planning and Performance Deputy Mary Le Hegarat, Chair, Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee & Panel Officer Ben Walker, Research & Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p><b>1. Briefing – COVID-19 (Workplace Restrictions) (Amendment) (Jersey) Regulations 202- [P.158/2020]</b></p> <p>The Panel, along with the Chair of the Health and Social Security Scrutiny Panel received a briefing from Nathan Fox, Head of Policy (Criminal Justice), on the Ministerial Order for P.158/2020.</p> <p>It was advised that following the adoption of P.158/2020 by the States Assembly the Minister for Health and Social Security was due to sign a Ministerial Order for implementing the mask requirement and social gatherings.</p> <p>The Head of Policy advised that there would be a requirement on licensed premises and some other food and drink businesses to collect customer contact details, before providing a service. It was advised that the purpose of this component of P.158/2020, was to provide a better legal framework for the requirements of data collection. A discussion followed on the safeguards around data collection.</p> <p>The Panel also expressed concern about the absence of a requirement for proof of an exemption, that could create practical difficulties for the enforcement of P.158/2020. It was advised that a medical exemption for respiratory issues already existed and that the starting point throughout the process of drafting P.158/2020, was much stricter, but this had been superseded by numerous revisions of P.158/2020 which allowed for persons with psychological conditions, particularly undiagnosed psychological conditions, the ability to claim an exemption to P.158/2020.</p> <p>The Panel expressed concern about the potential for aggressive customer behavior directed towards retail and hospitality staff whose job to police and enforce adherence</p>	

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to P.158/2020 was beyond the scope of their roles and responsibilities. The Panel further emphasised a need to clearly communicate the operation of P.158/2020 to explain that there was no requirement to prove an exemption, to avoid conflict between the public and enforcement officials.

The Panel maintained its concerns about the ability of customers to challenge the provisions and exemptions to P.158/2020. The Head of Policy offered to liaise with enforcement officials and to set up a meeting with the Panel, to provide an update after the first week of enforcing P.158/2020 and the Panel accepted this.

The Panel thanked the Head of Policy for his time, and they exited the video conference.

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 2nd December 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Deputy Steve Luce Deputy Inna Gardiner Senator Kristina Moore
Apologies	Deputy Kevin Pamplin
Absent	
In attendance	Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. Covid-19 Response and Recovery Review</b>  The Panel approved its report S.R.13/2020 "Covid-19 Response: March – October 2020" and accompanying press release. The Panel was advised that the report would be sent to the Minister and all States Members under embargo later that day, with formal presentation on 3rd December. The Panel noted that the report and press release would also be sent to the media.	



# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 4th December 2020

Present	Deputy Kirsten Morel, Chair Deputy David Johnson, Vice-Chair Deputy Steve Luce Deputy Inna Gardiner Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Kevin Pamplin
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. Government Plan 2021 - 2024 Review</b>  The Panel approved its report S.R.14/2020 "Government Plan 2021 - 2024" and accompanying press release. The Panel was advised that the report would be published later that day. The Panel noted that the report and press release would also be sent to the media.	
<b>2. Panel Constitution</b>  The Panel recalled that the Chair had agreed to resign from the Panel in order to become Assistant Minister, once the Government Plan report had been published. In that regard, the Panel accepted the Chair's formal resignation and it was agreed that the Vice-Chair would become Acting Chair until a new Panel was constituted.	

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 7th December 2020

Present	Deputy David Johnson, Acting Chair Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Inna Gardiner Deputy Steve Luce
Apologies	Deputy Kevin Pamplin
Absent	
In attendance	<b>Item 1</b> Senator Lyndon Farnham, Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Tony Taylor, Economic Council Member Alex Ohlsson, Economic Council Member Lisa Springate, Economic Council Member Daniel Houseago, Director of the Economy, Office of the Chief Executive  <b>Item 2</b> Murray Norton, Chief Executive Officer, Chamber of Commerce Jennifer Carnegie, President, Chamber of Commerce  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer Janice Hales, Committee and Panel Officer Ben Walker, Research and Project Officer [Item 2 only]

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. Meeting to discuss Economic Council Report</b>  The Panel met the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture, Director of the Economy and members of the Economic Council to discuss the Economic Council Report. This meeting was held in private in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended) under Qualified Exemption Article 35.	
<b>2. Meeting with the Chamber of Commerce</b>  The Panel met the Chief Executive Officer and President of the Chamber of Commerce ('CoC') for an update on the response to COVID-19 as well as other developments. The following was discussed: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The blanket ban on licenced premises being allowed to open due to Covid-19 restrictions made no definition to pubs, nightclubs or café's licenced to sell alcohol.</li><li>• Discussion around suspending the licence only so that more businesses could stay open. It was understood that some companies were paying up to</li></ul>	

£24,000 per year in licence fees and it was unclear whether they would receive financial support.

- The justification for closing gyms and sports facilities was unclear.
- The CoC had received feedback that the building and development industry were nervous about Brexit and its implications should there be a no deal.
- The CoC had also received feedback that the policy regarding policing of masks in shops was confusing for shop workers.

The Panel thanked the CoC for their time and they exited the video conference.

# Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

### Meeting held by video conference

Date: 11th December 2020

Present	Deputy David Johnson, Acting Chair Deputy Steve Luce Deputy Kevin Pamplin
Apologies	Senator Kristina Moore Deputy Inna Gardiner
Absent	
In attendance	<b>Item 2</b>  Senator Lyndon Farnham, Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Deputy Hugh Raymond, Assistant Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Deputy Kirsten Morel, Assistant Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture Daniel Houseago, Group Director, Economy, Office of the Chief Executive Barclay Harvey, Head of Operations, Sport, Infrastructure, Housing and Environment  Kellie Boydens, Principal Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<b>1. Records of Meetings</b>  The Panel noted and approved the records of its meetings held on 23rd, 26th, 27th November 2020 and 2nd December 2020.	
<b>2. Public Hearing with the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture</b>  The Panel received the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture for a Quarterly Public Hearing. The proceedings were webcast live and a recording was made so that a transcript could be produced	
<b>3. Covid-19 Response and Recovery Review</b>  The Panel noted that its final report on the Government's response to Covid-19 (S.R.13/2020) had been presented on 3rd December and the Ministerial response was due on 14th January 2021.	
<b>4. Government Plan</b>  The Panel noted that its final report on the Government Plan (S.R.14/2020) had been presented on 4th December and the Ministerial response was due on 15th January 2021.	
<b>5. Jersey Fishermen's Association</b>	

<p>The Panel received a submission from the Jersey Fishermen’s Association regarding concerns about the future of Jersey’s fishing industry. The Panel noted that the submission had also been passed onto the Brexit Review Panel as some of the concerns raised were regarding the uncertainty over Brexit negotiations. The Panel agreed to keep abreast of the situation and liaise accordingly with the Brexit Review Panel should there be any developments.</p>	
<p><b>6. Forthcoming Propositions</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that P.162/2020 “Draft Financial Services Ombudsman (Board – Amendment) (Jersey) Regulations 202-” had been lodged by the Minister for Economic Development, Tourism, Sport and Culture which was due for debate on 19th January. The Panel was advised that the amendment followed a request from the Chair of the Channel Islands Financial Ombudsman Board (CIFOB) to reappoint a Board member for a period shorter than the existing legislation allowed in order to ensure Board continuity. The Panel agreed that no follow up work was necessary.</p>	
<p><b>7. Meeting Schedule 2021</b></p> <p>The Panel agreed to postpone the discussion o meeting dates for 2021 until a new Panel was constituted on 19th January 2021 following the Chair’s resignation.</p>	
<p><b>8. Future Meetings</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that its next scheduled meeting would take place on 7th January 2021 at 10:45am via Teams.</p>	