

Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel

PUBLIC SESSION

Record of Meeting

Date: 16th September 2009

Meeting 45

Present	Deputy C.H. Egré, Vice-Chairman Connétable D.J. Murphy Deputy T.A. Vallois
Apologies	Senator S.C. Ferguson, Chairman
Absent	
In attendance	Mr. W. Millow, Scrutiny Officer Mr. M. Robbins, Scrutiny Officer

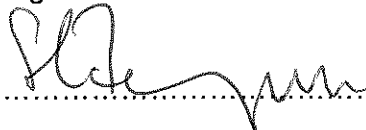
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	<p>1. Action Updates and Matters Arising</p> <p>The Panel noted the updates on actions it had requested at its previous meetings.</p>	
<p>02/09/09, Item 7</p> <p>513/5(8)</p>	<p>2. Jersey Overseas Aid</p> <p>The Panel noted that an invitation had been sent to Deputy I.J. Gorst, Chairman of the Jersey Overseas Aid Commission, to attend a Public Hearing on 28th October 2009 but that no response had yet been received.</p>	
<p>02/09/09, Item 3</p> <p>513/20(8)</p>	<p>3. Finance Sub-Panel</p> <p>The Panel was advised that Deputy T.A. Vallois would resign from the Public Accounts Committee and that, consequently, she would be prepared to sit on the Finance Sub-Panel.</p> <p>The Panel considered a timeline for subsequent work by the Finance Sub-Panel on its review of forecasting of expenditure. It was noted that the Sub-Panel would aim to present its final report on 24th November 2009.</p>	
<p>02/09/09, Item 5</p> <p>513/21(8)</p>	<p>4. Jersey Development Company</p> <p>The Panel recalled that Connétable D.J. Murphy had undertaken to advise whether any undeveloped pockets of land fell within the remit of the Waterfront Enterprise Board. It was noted that there were no such pockets of land.</p> <p>The Panel noted that a first draft of the Sub-Panel's report had been circulated and that the Sub-Panel would meet to consider the draft on 17th September 2009. It was also noted that the debate on <i>Property and Infrastructure Regeneration: the States of Jersey Development Company Limited</i> (P.79/2009) might potentially be deferred to 20th October 2009.</p> <p>The Panel was advised that an invoice from Bruton Knowles had been</p>	

	<p>received for August 2009 and that the expenditure limit, as laid out in the contract, had been exceeded. It was noted, however, that the Panel remained in budget for the review but that a further letter of instruction to Bruton Knowles, which set out a revised expenditure limit, would be required if the Panel wished to continue the engagement. It was agreed that, in the first instance, the Panel would speak to its expert advisor on 17th September 2009 about the matter.</p>	
<p>07/09/09, Item 3 513/23(8)</p>	<p>5. Economic Stimulus Plan</p> <p>The Panel recalled that it would start a second review relating to the Economic Stimulus Plan. The Panel approved a Scoping Document for the review, including Terms of Reference, and noted the intention that its final report would be presented on 10th November 2009. The Panel agreed a budget of £9,800 for the review, including £8,000 for the appointment of Professor M. Oliver as expert advisor. It was noted that a new contract with Professor Oliver would be required. The Panel agreed that a Call for Evidence in the Jersey Evening Post would not be required for the review.</p> <p>The Panel noted that Ministerial Decisions had recently been made by the Minister for Treasury and Resources in which funding had been provided to Departments as part of the Economic Stimulus Plan. It was agreed that, during its review, the Panel should verify whether funding had been used to the ends for which it had been granted.</p> <p>The Panel agreed that, in the first instance, the Chairman should liaise with the expert advisor and the Scrutiny Officer about the subsequent course of the review.</p>	<p>SF/ MR/ MO</p>
<p>02/09/09, Item 4 513/18(5)</p>	<p>6. Migration and Population</p> <p>The Panel noted that the previous meeting of the Migration and Population Sub-Panel had been cancelled and that it would next meet in the afternoon of 16th September 2009.</p>	
<p>07/09/09, Item 1 513/22(8)</p>	<p>7. Annual Business Plan</p> <p>The Panel noted that its report on <i>Draft Annual Business Plan 2010</i> (P.117/2009) had that day been presented to the States.</p>	
	<p>8. Ministerial Decisions</p> <p>The Panel noted Ministerial Decisions made by Senator T.A. Le Sueur, Chief Minister, and Senator P.F.C. Ozouf, Minister for Treasury and Resources, and which had appeared on www.gov.je between 26th August and 9th September 2009.</p>	
	<p>9. Budget Update</p> <p>The Panel received an update on expenditure incurred as of 9th September 2009, noting that in total it had spent £39,828.60.</p>	
<p>24/06/09, Item 4 513/15(8)</p>	<p>10. Deemed Rent</p> <p>The Panel recalled that Deputy E.J. Noel, Assistant Minister for Treasury and Resources, had previously indicated that work relating to Article 115(g) of <i>Income Tax (Jersey) law 1961</i> would be undertaken before the end of 2009. The Panel noted that provision had been made within its 2009 Work Programme for follow-up work to its report,</p>	

	<i>Deemed Rent (P.161/2008) (SR2/2009)</i> . It was agreed that Deputy Vallois would look into the matter in the first instance and report back at the next meeting.	TV
513/1(25)	11. Work Programme The Panel noted that it would consider its 2009 Work Programme at its next meeting.	
	12. Future Meetings The Panel noted its next scheduled meeting would take place at 9:30am on 30th September 2009.	
	13. Records of Meetings The Panel approved the following records of its meetings and deferred the signature thereof until the Chairman could be present: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 6th August 2009• 19th August 2009• 2nd September 2009• 7th September 2009	

Signed

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Chairman, Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel

