

Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel

Zero/Ten Design Proposal Sub Panel

Minutes of 2nd meeting held on 8th June 2006
Blampied Room, States Building

Present Senator J Perchard, Chairman
 Senator B Shenton
 Deputy G Southern
 Deputy P Ryan

Apologies

Absent

In attendance Mr M Haden, Scrutiny Officer
 Miss S Power, Scrutiny Officer
 Mr B Curtis (Local expert adviser)

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1.	Minutes – The Sub Panel noted the minutes from the meeting held on 12 th May 2006.	
2.	Zero/Ten Design Proposal – The Sub Panel discussed the way forward for its review, based upon the key issues raised in the briefing paper prepared by Richard Teather. The Sub Panel identified a list of questions it wished to have addressed by both Richard Teather and the Treasury, before it progressed any further with its enquiries. The Sub Panel also agreed that it would like part of its research to include a comparison between the tax proposals in Guernsey; the Isle of Man, Gibraltar and Jersey to highlight the main differences between the proposals for the four jurisdictions.	SP RT
3.	Submission from Mr P Turner The Panel considered this submission, and requested for the officer to ask Richard Teather to consider the questions raised in the letter regarding the risk of over regulation and excessive powers for the Comptroller of Income Tax.	SP
4.	Public Hearings The Sub Panel agreed to cancel the public hearings it had provisionally arranged for the 27 th /28 th June, as it was agreed these dates would be premature given the consultation period would not have ended by this time. It was therefore agreed to hold public hearings on the following dates: Thursday 13 th July 2006 Friday 21 st July 2006 Friday 4 th August 2006 (provisional) Friday 15 th September 2006 The Sub Panel agreed to invite John Shenton (Ernst & Young) and John Riva (KPMG) to attend the public hearing on Thursday 13 th July, to answer any technical queries raised by the Sub Panel concerning the design proposal.	SP
5.	Future meetings	

	The Sub Panel agreed to arrange a future meeting schedule once Richard Teather and the Treasury had provided it with answers to the questions it had raised.	
6. Item 3 12.05.06	<p>AOB</p> <p>Visit to Guernsey</p> <p>The Sub Panel was informed that the States of Guernsey would be debating the future economic and taxation strategy on June 28th 2006. The Sub Panel agreed that as it had been informed that this debate could last for three days, it would be more beneficial to request access to a transcript of the debate, and to arrange a meeting with both the Treasury Minister, and the Scrutiny Panel in Guernsey to discuss their proposals early in July 2006.</p> <p>Visit to Isle of Man</p> <p>The Sub Panel agreed to defer this visit until it had received the comparison document from Richard Teather outlining the differences between the tax proposals in Guernsey; the Isle of Man, Gibraltar and Jersey.</p> <p>Meetings with Treasury</p> <p>The Sub Panel was informed that the Treasury and Resources Minister would be meeting the Chamber of Commerce on 13th June 2006 to discuss the 0/10 Design Proposals. It was agreed that the Treasury should be contacted to request for the Chairman to attend this, and any subsequent meetings being held with stakeholders and interest groups.</p> <p>Letter from Jersey Finance</p> <p>The Sub Panel noted a letter from Mr D Wild, Technical Director, Jersey Finance, received on the 5th June 2006, in response to the 0/10 call for evidence. The Sub Panel was informed that the Chairman had spoken to Mr G Grime, Chairman of the Jersey Finance Fiscal Strategy Group, and that it would receive a copy of their submission as soon as possible.</p>	<p>SP</p> <p>SP</p> <p>SP</p>

Signed

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Chairman, Zero/Ten Design Proposal Sub Panel