

Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 2nd May 2012

Meeting No: 25

Present	Senator S.C. Ferguson, Chairman Deputy J.G. Reed, Vice-Chairman Deputy S. Power Deputy R.J. Rondel
Apologies	Connétable D.J. Murphy
Absent	
In attendance	Mr. W. Millow, Scrutiny Officer Miss S. McKee, Scrutiny Officer

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513/34	<p>1. Tourism Development Fund</p> <p>The Panel noted that <i>Tourism Development Fund: Assistance to the Private Sector</i> (P.26/2012) had been referred to the Panel under Standing Order 79. Consideration was given to the scope of the review and it was agreed to form a Sub-Panel with Deputy S. Power as Chairman and Deputy R.J. Rondel as Vice-Chairman. It was further agreed that Members of the Economic Affairs Scrutiny Panel would be invited to join the Sub-Panel. In that regard, the Panel was advised that the Economic Affairs Panel had previously considered whether to review the proposals contained in P.26/2012 and had agreed not to review the matter. The Panel noted that Senator S.C. Ferguson could not take part in the review due to a conflict of interest. It was agreed that the Sub-Panel would meet as soon as possible.</p> <p>The Panel noted that, during the debate under Standing Order 79 on whether P.26/2012 should be referred to the Panel, some Members of other Scrutiny Panels had spoken against the referral. Consideration was given to whether this action had damaged the impression of a unified Scrutiny function. It was agreed that the Chairmen's Committee should be asked to consider the matter and to ensure that all Scrutiny Members were aware of the Standing Orders which applied to Scrutiny Panels.</p>	<p>SM</p> <p>SM</p> <p>WM / SM</p>
01/05/12 Item 1 513/32	<p>2. Population and Migration</p> <p>The Panel was informed of advice received from the Population Office that implementation of the <i>Control of Housing and Work (Jersey) Law</i> was likely to take place in September 2012. It was agreed that Deputy Power, who lead the work on Part 2 of the review, would write to Senator P.F. Routier MBE, Assistant Chief Minister and Chairman of the Migration Advisory Group, to confirm the anticipated timetable for implementation of the Law. It was noted that a delay in the implementation of the Law would afford the Panel time to undertake its review of <i>Tourism Development Fund: Assistance to the Private Sector</i> (P.26/2012) and that work on the Population and Migration Review was therefore not one of the Panel's current highest priorities.</p>	<p>SM</p>

	<p>The Panel considered the lines of enquiry which had been identified during its previous discussions and it was confirmed that these represented courses of action which the Panel would pursue in due course. The Panel was advised that the Executive had been asked to provide an update on the implementation of accepted recommendations from previous Scrutiny Reports on the subject.</p> <p>The Panel noted that ultimately a statement had not been made to the States following presentation of <i>Population and Migration Part 1</i> (SR1/2012).</p>	
<p>25/04/12 Item 7</p> <p>513/33</p>	<p>3. Housing Capital Projects</p> <p>The Panel recalled its agreement to present comments on <i>Social Housing Schemes: Funding</i> (P.40/2012). Consideration was given to whether the work would be feasible, given the Panel's agreement to undertake a review of <i>Tourism Development Fund: Assistance to the Private Sector</i> (P.26/2012). It was agreed that work on P.40/2012 should continue.</p> <p>It was noted that a draft Scoping Document and draft Terms of Reference had been received by the Chairman. The Scrutiny Officers were requested to circulate the draft documents amongst the Panel.</p>	<p>WM</p>
	<p>4. Ministerial Decisions</p> <p>The Panel considered whether it should include recent Ministerial Decisions as a regular agenda item at its meetings. The Panel was advised that the measure could potentially stretch resources, if the Panel decided to undertake work on several Ministerial Decisions at once, or that any work undertaken could detract from the Panel's priorities. Nevertheless, it was agreed that arrangements would be made for the Panel to give regular consideration to Ministerial Decisions.</p>	<p>WM / SM</p>