

# Economic Affairs Scrutiny Panel

## Record of Meeting

7th February 2018

Present	Deputy S.M. Brée, Chairman Deputy D. Johnson, Vice-Chairman Connétable J.E. Le Maistre Connétable M.J. Paddock
Apologies	
Absent	
In attendance	Mr M. Orbell, Scrutiny Officer

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	<p><b>1. Records of meetings</b></p> <p>The Minutes of the meetings held on 24th and 29th January 2018 were approved and signed.</p>	<b>MO</b>
	<p><b>2. Consumer Protection (Unfair Practises) Jersey Law 201_</b></p> <p>The Panel discussed the recent briefing provided by the Director of Trading Standards. Members were content with the detail of the briefing, and it was agreed that as a positive response to an EU-led initiative the Panel would support its introduction in due course. No further action was required.</p>	
	<p><b>3. Trusts (Jersey) Law 1984</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that Amendment No. 7 to the Trusts Law had now been lodged, although some aspects had been withdrawn. The Panel had been well briefed by Financial Services. It was agreed that the Vice-Chairman would review the latest documentation to see if any questions or comments might be appropriate, and confirm by email.</p>	<b>DJ</b>
<p><b>Item 1</b> <b>29.01.18</b>  <b>515/35</b></p>	<p><b>4. Licensing Law</b></p> <p>The Panel noted that the debate had now been further deferred at the request of the Assistant Minister for EDTSC until 20th March. Following the Panel's meeting with the Assistant Minister on 29th January, the department had confirmed that it had been instructed to co-operate with the Panel on a joint Amendment.</p> <p>Members discussed the need for various assurances concerning consultation arrangements for the SALPG. The Panel felt that it was important to ensure that there were more consultees than just the Medical Officer of Health; there needed to be a forum or similar body appointed on a statutory basis to enable all stakeholders to have an influence on the policy, not just the option for the SALPG to set up Sub-Groups if it so wished. The industry must be represented on the body, and it was considered that it would be better for it to be independent, rather than being chaired by a member of the SALPG. The SALPG would be required</p>	<b>MO</b>

	<p>to 'have regard to' its recommendations, but could decide not to follow them.</p> <p>The Panel noted that while most of its recommendations were apparently being accepted by the department/SALPG for inclusion in the joint Amendment, one or two outstanding differences might still need to be lodged by the Panel as a separate Amendment; for example to recognise economic and social benefits. Members also remained cautious about the possibility that the department/SALPG might try to make changes to the Joint Amendment at short notice.</p>	<b>MO</b>
	<p><b>5. Forthcoming meetings</b></p> <p>Next scheduled Panel meeting: 9.30am on 28th February 2018, First Floor Meeting Room, Morier House.</p>	