Environment Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: **7th October 2010**Meeting Number: **30**

| Present | Deputy P Rondel (Chairman) (PR) Connétable J Refault (JR) |
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| | Deputy D Wimberley (Vice Chairman) (DW) |
| In attendance | M Haden , Scrutiny Officer |
| | M. Orbell, Scrutiny Officer |

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| | 1. Record of meeting | |
| | The Minutes of the meeting held on 2nd September 2010 were approved and signed. | |
| 02.07.10 Item 13 | 2. Draft Sustainable Transport Policy | |
| 514/1(21) | The Panel considered the first draft of its report on the draft policy. Members confirmed their view that the draft policy lacked clarity about how its targets would be achieved and effectively proposed little to inspire the public to make significant changes to their travel behaviour. It was agreed that questions to the Minister at the public hearing on 18th October 2010 should focus on clarifying the level of research carried out by the department in support of the recommendations contained in the policy. | МО |
| 02.07.10 | 3. Protecting Our Marine Environment | |
| Item 9 | The Panel received an undate from the Scrutiny Officer following the | |
| 514/14(8) | The Panel received an update from the Scrutiny Officer following the visit of its adviser. Members were advised that the programme arranged by the Environment Department had been very successful in providing insight into their regulation and monitoring arrangements. It was agreed that a further visit by the adviser should be arranged once he had had the opportunity to assess the documentation he had received. At that point further discussions with stakeholders would be undertaken. | MO |
| 02.10.10 | 4. Draft Energy Policy | |
| Item 14 | | |
| 514/16(8) | The Panel received a briefing paper from the Scrutiny Officer following an initial meeting with officers of the Environment Department to discuss the anticipated timetable for the Energy Policy White Paper. The Panel confirmed its intention to undertake a review of the draft policy and to work alongside the Department's public consultation which was expected to occur in the first quarter of 2011 with a view to preparing a report which could be taken into consideration by the political steering group before the final version of the draft policy was lodged for debate by the States. | |
| | The Panel requested Scrutiny Officers to prepare the scope and draft terms of reference for the review, in liaison with the Environment Department and to seek appropriate expert advice. | мн |

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| 02.09.10 | 5. Town Park Remediation scheme | | |
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| Item 7 | | | |
| 514/1(14) | The Panel noted the response received from the Transport and Technical Services Department to the questions raised at the previous meeting. The Panel also noted that further information on the scheme was available from the submissions in connexion with the Waste Management Licence application for this scheme. | | |
| | Having agreed that they were satisfied that the information addressed their concerns (with one additional query), members decided that it was unnecessary to seek expert advice, as had been proposed at the previous meeting. | | |
| | 6. Matters for information | | |
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| | The Panel noted the following matters: | | |
| | (a) Briefing Notes of the Chairmen's Committee meeting held on 23rd September 2010 | | |
| | (b) The section of the report of the Rural Economy Strategy Sub Panel which referred to the Panel's recommendations in respect of subsidies paid to farmers for accepting green waste compost on their land | | |
| | (c) Ministerial decisions for the period to 1st October | | |
| | (d) Date of next scheduled meeting: 11th November | | |

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