

Economic Affairs Scrutiny Panel

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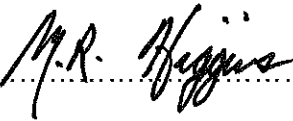
Present	Deputy M.R. Higgins, Chairman Deputy C.F. Labey, Vice-Chairman Deputy S. Pitman Deputy D.J.A. Wimberley
Apologies	Deputy J.M. Maçon
In attendance	Mr. T. Oldham, Scrutiny Officer Mr. D. Scott, Scrutiny Officer

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	1. Records of Previous Meetings The Panel approved the records of its meeting held on 13th September 2010.	
	2. Forthcoming Propositions The Panel noted forthcoming propositions lodged <i>au Greffe</i> by the Minister for Economic Development between 8th and 28th September 2010.	
	3. Ministerial Decisions The Panel noted Ministerial Decisions made by the Minister for Economic Development between 8th and 28th September 2010.	
13/09/10, Item 4 515/15(8)	4. Chairmen's Committee The Panel noted the Briefing Notes of the Chairmen's Committee meeting held on 23rd September 2010.	
13/09/10, Item 5 515/20(8)	5. Intellectual Property The Panel considered comments from its adviser Mr N Garnett of HRO Grant Dawe LLP, London, to the response from the Economic Development Department to the Panel's recent questions. It agreed that both his comments and previous report should be presented to the States for information, in advance of the States debate on the <i>Intellectual Property (Unregistered Rights) (Jersey) Law 201-</i> , which it anticipated would be lodged shortly. The Panel requested the drafting of a short accompanying report for its consideration. The Panel agreed that it had completed its work on the matter and subsequently that it would write to its adviser notifying him of this, and expressing its thanks for his work.	TO/DS TO/DS
13/09/10, Item 6 515/19(8)	6. Harbours and Airport The Chairman informed the Panel that he had drafted Terms of	

	<p>Reference for the Review, which he would share with Deputy M. Tadier to gauge his thoughts on them before they were sent to the Scrutiny Officer. The Chairman also advised that he would be contacting previously approved Members of the Sub-Panel, Deputy D.J. De Sousa and Deputy T.A. Vallois, to ascertain whether they still intended to participate on the Sub-Panel. Should their response be negative, the Chairman advised that it was his intention to undertake the Review as Chairman of a Sub-Panel comprised of himself and Deputy M. Tadier.</p> <p>The Panel considered the response to the request made to the Economic Development Department for the full job descriptions of all employees of the Airport and Harbours. The Department had indicated that as well as confirmation that the Sub-Panel had begun to meet, it would appreciate receiving its Terms of Reference prior to committing resources to the undertaking, due to the scale of the request. The Panel agreed that it did not accept the Department's response and that the request should be re-submitted.</p>	<p>Chairman</p> <p>TO/DS</p>
<p>13/09/10, Item 7 515/21(8)</p>	<p>7. Jersey Post & Competition</p> <p>The Panel received an update regarding the progress of the Sub-Panel's Review. The Panel noted that all planned Hearings had been held and that the Sub-Panel would seek to meet in the near future in order to discuss its next steps, including consideration of drafting its Heads of Report.</p>	
<p>13/09/10, Item 8 515/3(12)</p>	<p>8. Sunday Trading</p> <p>The Panel was advised that there had been some delay in the passage of the States approved <i>Shops (Regulation of Opening and Deliveries) (Jersey) Law 2010</i> through the Privy Council. It had also been indicated that there was a small delay in the development of the draft Regulations, which may mean that they would not be lodged in 2010.</p> <p>The Panel agreed to request from the Economic Development Department an update on the progress of <i>Shops (Regulation of Opening and Deliveries) (Jersey) Law 2010</i> through the Privy Council. It would also request an update on the draft Regulations, including a timeline for the remaining process, including an anticipated lodging date.</p>	<p>TO/DS</p>
<p>13/09/10, Item 11</p>	<p>11. Tourism PPP</p> <p>The Panel noted the official Ministerial Response to its report <i>S.R. 8/2010 Tourism PPP</i> and agreed a number of points that would be followed up through correspondence with the Minister.</p>	<p>TO/DS</p>
<p>13/09/10, Item 12 515/18(8)</p>	<p>12. Rural Economy Strategy</p> <p>The Panel received an update from the Sub-Panel Chairman regarding the progress of the Sub-Panel's Review. Its draft report had been sent to stakeholders the previous week for comment on the factual and technical accuracy of their evidence ahead of presentation to the States.</p>	
<p>13/09/10, Item 13 515/3</p>	<p>13. Woolworths</p> <p>The Panel invited Mr M. Dunn to speak to it regarding his concerns with the administration of Woolworths PLC. It also noted the written submission that Mr M. Dunn had made to the Panel subsequent to</p>	

	its previous meeting, at which he had also spoken.	TO/DS
	<p>14. Jersey Finance Ltd</p> <p>The Chairman proposed that the Panel should give consideration to a Review related to Jersey Finance Ltd. The Panel agreed that the response to the questions it asked of the Minister for Economic Development in January 2010, about Jersey Finance Ltd, should be circulated to the Members ahead of further discussions.</p>	TO/DS
	<p>15. Future Meetings</p> <p>The Panel recalled that it had been scheduled to hold a Quarterly Update Hearing with the Minister that day. The Panel agreed that it would re-schedule this and the final Quarterly Update Hearing as a single Hearing on a date to be determined. The date would be influenced by the timing of publication of the next phase of the Comprehensive Spending Review, about which it requested further information.</p> <p>The Panel agreed to cancel its meeting scheduled for 25th October 2010. Its next meeting was therefore scheduled to take place on 8th November 2010, 9.30am in Le Capelain Room, States Building.</p>	TO/DS

Signed



Date:

8-11-2010

Chairman,
Economic Affairs Scrutiny Panel