

Environment Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: **10th December 2010**

Meeting Number: **33**

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

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	<p>1. Record of meeting</p> <p>The Minutes of the meeting held on 25th November 2010 were approved and signed.</p>	
<p>15.11.10 Item 6 514/9(8)</p>	<p>2. Energy from Waste Plant and Ramsar: Review of Planning Process</p> <p>The Panel recalled its discussion with the Minister for Planning and Environment at the quarterly briefing on 24th November 2011 concerning the alleged environmental incident in early 2009. Although the Panel had been assured that it would shortly receive an update in confidence it was apparent, following further contact with departmental officers, that no progress had been made on the issue.</p> <p>The Panel requested that a letter be drafted to the Minister expressing its disappointment and urging him to seek a resolution.</p>	MO
<p>15.11.10 Item 4 514/16(8)</p>	<p>3. Draft Energy Policy</p> <p>The Panel approved with some minor amendments the draft terms of reference and scoping document for the proposed review and agreed to forward them to the Chairmen's Committee.</p> <p>The Panel also received a progress report on the search for an adviser.</p>	MH
<p>15.11.10 Item 7 514/18(8)</p>	<p>4. Speed Limits Policy: proposition P.167/2010</p> <p>The Panel considered a briefing note from the Scrutiny Officers outlining various concerns at the apparent lack of objective evidence to support the proposed revisions to the policy. The Panel considered that a key issue was the inadequate policing of existing limits. The report of the Working Party, however, avoided any detailed consideration of enforcement issues.</p> <p>The Scrutiny Officer was requested to scope the issue as a potential review. In the meantime the Panel agreed to inform the Minister of its intention to call in the proposition for review.</p>	MO
<p>15.07.10 Item 8 514/15(8)</p>	<p>5. Draft Island Plan - Independent Examination in Public</p> <p>The Panel noted that the Independent Examiner had published his report to the Minister for Planning and Environment on the draft Island</p>	

	<p>Plan. The Panel, having recalled that it had agreed to monitor the process for the examination in public and not the details of any particular issues, agreed to consider this stage of the process at its next meeting.</p>	
<p>02.09.10 Item 14</p> <p>514/1(18)</p>	<p>6. Panel Work Programme 2011</p> <p>The Panel reviewed its work programme for 2010 and considered its priorities for 2011, having noted the departmental key objectives and success criteria.</p> <p>The Panel was advised of likely changes to officer support following changes to manpower in the Scrutiny Office as a result of savings arising from the Comprehensive Spending Review.</p> <p>The Panel proposed the following priorities for 2011:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protecting Our Marine Environment - ongoing review • Draft Energy Policy - terms of reference and scope agreed • Draft Island Plan - examination in public - potential short review • Radon Protection Regime in the Island - potential short review, initial research undertaken • Speed Limits: revised policy - potential short review <p>The Panel also agreed to consult the relevant departments on the following potential major reviews</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tender for Bus Contract • Liquid Waste Strategy • Air Quality Strategy 	
<p>02.09.10 Item 8</p> <p>Item 2</p>	<p>The Panel noted information received from the Parish of St Helier relating to the provision of public toilets. However, it was decided that this proposed topic would not be a priority due to lack of resources. The Panel also decided not to follow up its interest in the St Helier in-vessel food waste composter.</p> <p>The Panel also agreed to review departmental progress against the recommendations contained its reports SR 12/2009 (Funding Waste recycling) and SR1/2010 (Ramsar and Energy from Waste: Planning Process)</p>	
	<p>7. Matters for Information</p> <p>a) Chairmen's Committee: Briefing notes of meeting dated 25th November 2010</p> <p>b) Panel expenditure to date: £20.887</p> <p>c) Forthcoming Meetings: The Panel approved a schedule of meetings for 2011 and agreed to commence at 8am. Next scheduled Panel meeting: Blampied Room, Thurs 13th January</p>	

Signed



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Chairman, Environment Panel