

KS/SC/081

PRIVILEGES AND PROCEDURES COMMITTEE

(93rd Meeting)

16th March 2018

(Business conducted via electronic mail)

PART A (Non-exempt)

All members were present, with the exception of Connétable D.W. Mezbourian of St. Lawrence, from whom apologies had been received.

Connétable L. Norman of St. Clement, Chairman
 Deputy J.A. Martin of St. Helier
 Deputy K.C. Lewis of St. Saviour
 Deputy S.Y. Mézec of St. Helier (not in attendance for item A1)
 Deputy S.M. Brée of St. Clement (not in attendance for item A2)
 Deputy S.M. Wickenden of St. Helier

In attendance -

L.M. Hart, Deputy Greffier of the States
 K.L. Slack, Clerk to the Privileges and Procedures Committee

Note: The Minutes of this meeting comprise Part A only.

Public Services
 Ombudsman:
 establishment
 of office
 (P.32/2018) –
 comment.
 1240/26(87)

A1. The Committee, with reference to its Minute No. A3 of 13th March 2018, recalled that it had expressed the wish to present a comment on the Proposition of Senator P.F.C. Ozouf, entitled 'Public Services Ombudsman: establishment of office' (P.32/2018), which was due to be considered by the States Assembly on 20th March 2018.

The Committee considered a draft comment, which had been prepared by the Deputy Greffier of the States, approved the same and instructed officers to arrange for it to be presented to the States.

Mindful that the next meeting of the States was due to commence on Monday 19th March 2018 and that the comment should, accordingly, have been presented by noon on Thursday 15th March 2018, the Committee requested officers to endorse the comment with the reason for the delay in presenting the same in accordance with the provisions of Standing Order 37A.

Commissioner
 for Standards –
 report in
 respect of a
 complaint
 against Senator
 S.C. Ferguson.
 1497/99/1(12)

A2. The Committee, with reference to its Minute No. B7 of 13th March 2018, recalled that it had received a report from the Commissioner for Standards, following his investigation into a complaint that Senator S.C. Ferguson had breached the Code of Conduct for Elected Members.

The Committee recalled that it had decided to publish the Commissioner's report in the Reports series and had requested the Committee Clerk to append a preamble thereto and to circulate it for its approval.

Accordingly, the Committee received the report and preamble and approved the same for presentation to the States.