

Economic Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 18th September 2013

Meeting No: 66

Present	Deputy S.G. Luce, Chairman Connétable S.W. Pallett, Vice-Chairman
Apologies	Connétable M.J. Paddock
In attendance	Director of Business Creation, Economic Development (Items 5 and 6) Economic Adviser, Chief Minister's Department (Items 5 and 6) Economist, Chief Minister's Department (Items 5 and 6) Mr. T. Oldham, Scrutiny Officer

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	1. Records of Meetings The record of the Panel's meeting held on 21st August 2013 was approved by the Panel and signed accordingly by the Chairman.	
24/07/13 Item 2 515/28	2. Digital Skills The Sub-Panel Chairman informed the Panel that the Chairman of the Education and Skills Technical Action Group of Digital Jersey would be meeting the Sub-Panel on 4th October, to discuss the current and potential size and nature of the industry, and the organisation's liaison with the Education, Sport and Culture Department.	
23/05/13 Item 10 515/3(21)	3. Topic Proposals The Panel received two topic proposals for Reviews submitted by a member of the Public, regarding Financial Services regulation and licensed premises. The Panel agreed that it would not pursue the proposed Reviews at this time, not least due to its other work programme commitments for the foreseeable future. However, it noted that matters relating to the topic proposal on licensed premises may be included in the planned Review of the new Licensing Law, due to take place once published by the Executive in draft form for consultation. It was also agreed to write to the topic proposer to thank him for his proposal and to advise about the decisions that had been taken.	TO
09/09/13 Item 1 515/1(24)	4. Ports of Jersey Incorporation The Panel considered the transcript of the Public Hearing with the Minister for Economic Development on 9th September, noting in particular the framework that had been established for the Panel to receive the information that it would require to undertake its Review, along with the expected timeframe for that Review that had been clearly communicated to the Minister.	
23/05/13 Item 5	5. Jersey Innovation Fund	

515/26	The Panel received an update briefing from the Director of Business Creation, Economic Development, on the progress of the Jersey Innovation Fund. It was noted that the Chairman of the Board had now been appointed and the recruitment of the external Board members was currently underway.	
12/06/13 Item 7 515/3(19)	<p>6. Enterprise Strategy</p> <p>The Panel received an update briefing from the Director of Business Creation, Economic Development, and the Economic Adviser and Economist from the Chief Minister's Department. Particular consideration was given to the target of creating 1000 jobs over a three year period, the focus on high value sectors and high growth firms, ongoing measurement and monitoring of the targets established by the Strategy, and the impact of population and migration policy on those targets.</p> <p>The Panel agreed that it would consider the topic further at its next scheduled meeting.</p>	TO
22/04/13 Item 2 515/1(24)	<p>7. Work Programme</p> <p>The Panel agreed to consider its future work programme in detail at its next scheduled meeting, as a number of identified Review topics appeared to be merging into a restricted timeframe between late 2013 and the first half of 2014, due to changes and delays in the Minister for Economic Development's project timetables.</p>	TO
515/1(29)	<p>8. Charities Law</p> <p>The Panel agreed to request clarification on which Minister had political responsibility for the development of the Charities Law, and at what stage the development of that legislation currently stood.</p>	TO
	<p>9. Future meetings</p> <p>The Panel noted that its next meeting was scheduled to take place at 9.30am in Le Capelain Room, States Building on 2nd October 2013.</p>	