States Assembly

Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel

Records of Meetings

2025

The following records of meetings have been approved by the Panel.

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Chair
Deputy Hilary Jeune

Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 8th January 2025

Present	Deputy Hilary Jeune, Chair Deputy Tom Coles, Vice Chair Connétable David Johnson Deputy Alex Curtis Deputy David Warr
In attendance	Monique Magalhaes, Acting Principal Committee and Panel Officer Jade Hahn, Research and Project Officer Gwyn Garfield-Bennett, Communications Officer

Agenda matter	Action
1. Records of Meetings The Panel approved the records of meetings held on 18th December 2024.	**JH**
2. Declarations and Conflicts of Interest The Panel noted the declaration of interest section in the Scrutiny and Public Accounts Committee Proceedings Code of Practice. Deputy Coles noted his intention to lodge a proposition on the Regulation of Counselling Services. Panel members had no other conflicts to declare in relation to the agenda items.	
3. Work Programme The Panel considered its work programme for 2025 and noted that the Council of Minister's legislative programme had not yet been published. The Panel noted and discussed the upcoming legislation for lodging in 2025 within its remit as noted within a letter received by the Scrutiny Liaison Committee from the Chief Minister. The Panel agreed, in the first instance, to write to the relevant Ministers for an update on the scope, progress and timeline for the legislation within its remit. The Panel also agreed that it would be beneficial to receive briefings on the legislative proposals and that the timeline for the briefings would be agreed once the responses to the letters were received. The Panel discussed the Rented Dwellings Licensing Scheme workstream and agreed to schedule a public hearing on the topic with the Minister for Housing in quarter two of 2025. The Panel considered the Sea Fisheries (Trawling, Netting and Dredging) (Jersey) Regulations 2001 and anticipated that the regulations would form part of the new Marine Spatial Plan. The Panel discussed the Planning and Building (Jersey) Law 2002. The Panel anticipated that the amendments would seek to reintroduce provisions to allow the Minister for the Environment to bring forward new building or planning proposals.	**MM/JH** **RS**

The Panel discussed the Amendments to the Regulation of Care (Jersey) Law 2014 and noted that the topic might fall within the remit of another Scrutiny Panel. However, the Panel noted that as the Minister for the Environment was responsible for the oversight function for the Regulation of Care (Jersey) Law 2014, it was the Minister's responsibility to lodge the proposition. The Panel requested the Officer determine whether the proposals would also fall within the remit of other Scrutiny Panels.	**MM/RS**
The Panel discussed the Animal Welfare (Jersey) Law 2004 and noted that it was unsure of the scope of the amendments. The Panel discussed the gaps in legislation regarding dog ownership and Connétable David Johnson agreed to raise matters with the Comité des Connétables and revert at the Panel's next meeting with any feedback. The Panel agreed to include the Animal Welfare Law and dog ownership as an area for questioning within its quarterly hearing with the Minister for the Environment scheduled for 26th March 2025.	**DJ** **RS**
The Panel discussed the Food (Jersey) Law 2003 and noted that the Minister for the Environment had made the Panel aware that the law was in the legislative pipeline. In the first instance, the Panel agreed its intention to focus the workstream on stakeholder engagement in respect of the proposals potential impact.	**RS**
The Panel discussed the Amendment to the Highways (Jersey) Law 1956 regarding election advertisements. The Panel noted that the Privileges and Procedures Committee had received a briefing on the matter recently and raised concerns of a potential overlap. However, the Panel noted that the Minister for Infrastructure was responsible for the legislation and it would therefore fall under the Panel's remit.	
The Panel considered the matter of legislation to improve access to information relating to energy resilience and noted that it had been due to receive further information in early 2025. The Panel agreed to wait for the information to be shared with it before considering the workstream further.	**RS**
The Panel discussed the proposed Budget 2026-2029 workstream and noted that the scrutiny approach would be considered by the Scrutiny Liaison Committee.	
The Panel noted its scheduled briefings and site visits for 2025, which were as follows: • Project Breakwater on 20th January 2025. • PFAS update on 29th January 2025. • Sea Defences (TBC)	
The Panel discussed a number of potential further briefings and site visits, and agreed to schedule the following briefings: • Jersey Water for quarter one of 2025. • States of Jersey Development Company for quarter two of 2025. • Social Housing for quarter four of 2025.	
The Panel discussed a potential briefing on the inert waste site commercial facility but agreed to wait for the completion of the procurement process before scheduling.	
The Panel discussed the States of Jersey Development Company's involvement in the development of Fort Regent and noted a letter it had received from the Minister for Infrastructure on 16th December 2024 on the matter.	

4. Review: Residential Tenancy Law The Panel discussed the Residential Tenancy (Jersey) Law 2011 and noted that it had discussed and agreed its intention to launch a review on the law once the proposition was lodged at its previous meeting on 19th December 2024. The Panel noted that the draft legislation had not yet been shared with it. The Panel agreed to include the matter as an area for questioning within its quarterly hearing with the Minister for Housing scheduled for 12th February 2025. The Panel discussed and agreed the scoping of its review and requested the Officer to draft the scoping document and terms of reference for consideration at its next scheduled meeting on 29th January 2025. The Communications Officer confirmed that the drafting of the Digital and Public Engagement Plan had commenced.	**RS** **RS** **GG**
5. Jersey Property Holdings Workstream The Panel discussed its workstream for Jersey Property Holdings (JPH) to consider its effectiveness as a landlord and whether its structure was fit for purpose. The Panel discussed and agreed the key areas for the scope of the workstream. The Panel requested that a draft scoping document of the workstream be prepared for its next meeting on 29th January 2025. The Panel noted the potential overlap of the workstream with work being undertaken by the Public Accounts Committee and was mindful to not duplicate work. In the first instance, the Panel agreed to schedule a briefing with the Comptroller & Auditor General (C&AG) to be updated on the work undertaken by the C&AG to date. The Panel agreed to include the topic as an area for questioning within its quarterly hearing with the Minister for Infrastructure scheduled for 5th March 2025.	**RS** **RS** **RS** **RS**
6. Bridging Island Plan 2022 – 2025 Workstream The Panel discussed its workstream for the Bridging Island Plan. It was noted that the Bridging Islan Plan had been extended beyond its initial three-year scope, which could set a precedent for an indefinite extension. The Panel agreed to include the workstream as an area for questioning within its next quarterly hearing with the Minister for the Environment scheduled for 26th March 2025. The Panel discussed the links between the Island Plan and the proposed amendments to the Planning and Building Law 2002 noting that the amendments may impact the Minister's ability to review policy and legislation in part. The Panel recalled a previous letter received to provide an update on the Bridging Island Plan and agreed to write a follow up letter to the Minister for the Environment requesting a further update in that regard. The Panel agreed areas to inform the scoping of the workstream and requested that a draft scoping document of the workstream be prepared for its next meeting on 29th January 2025. The Panel agreed that the Bridging Island Plan workstream would take precedence over the Jersey Property Holdings workstream if required.	**RS** **RS** **RS** **RS**

7. Actions Log The Panel noted its Actions Log and requested that it be kept updated.	**RS**
8. Any Other Business The Panel noted that the Scrutiny Liaison Committee was arranging potential questioning training with the Solicitor General and had extended the invite for training to all Scrutiny Panels. The Panel discussed the potential training and agreed that it would accept the invite. The Panel discussed its timeframe for future quarterly hearings and agreed that it would discuss and agree its topic areas further in advance of quarterly hearings and requested that it would receive its draft question plans a week in advance of the hearings for consideration. The Panel noted its upcoming quarterly hearing with the Minister for Housing scheduled for 12th February 2025. The Panel discussed and agreed its question areas for the hearing.	**MM** **RS** **MM/RS**
9. Future Meetings The Panel noted that its next meeting was scheduled for 9:30am on Wednesday 29th January 2025 in the Le Capelain Room of the States Building.	

Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 29th January 2025

Present	Deputy Hilary Jeune, Chair Connétable David Johnson Deputy Alex Curtis Deputy David Warr
Apologies	Deputy Tom Coles, Vice Chair
In attendance	Rosalyn Sharp, Research and Project Jade Hahn, Research and Project Officer Remi Harris, Apprentice Policy Officer Gwyn Garfield-Bennett, Communications Officer Item 13 only Deputy Steve Luce, Minister for the Environment Kelly Whitehead, Group Director – Regulation - Infrastructure and Environment Luke Chipperfield, Head of Communications Infrastructure and Environment Heather Ford, Private Secretary for the Minister for Environment, Ministerial Office

Agenda matter	Action
1. Records of Meetings The Panel approved the record of its meeting held on 8th January 2025.	
2. Declarations and Conflicts of Interest The Panel noted the declaration of interest section in the Scrutiny and Public Accounts Committee Proceedings Code of Practice. Panel members had no other conflicts to declare in relation to the agenda items.	
3. Residential Tenancy Law (2011) Review The Panel reviewed the draft Scoping Document, Terms of Reference and Communications Plan for its upcoming review on Residential Tenancy Law (2011). The Panel agreed to make some changes to the Scoping Document and agreed to keep reviewing and working on the documents accordingly. The Panel discussed and agreed it would consider whether to engage an expert advisor for its upcoming review as this could assist with any perceived conflict of interest and it would be useful for an expert to analyse the draft legislation and compare the legislation with that of other jurisdictions. The Officers were instructed to begin the process of compiling a list of potential expert advisors for the Panel to consider at its next Panel meeting. The Panel discussed stakeholder engagement and agreed that holding smaller focus groups might be more effective in reaching the target audience for views on the draft legislation.	**RS** **RS/JH** **GGB**

4. Scrutiny of Common Strategic Policy Priorities The Panel discussed correspondence from the Scrutiny Liaison Committee regarding scrutiny of the Common Strategic Policy priorities and agreed the Panel's areas of focus and approach in scrutinising each of the priorities under the Panel's remit. The Officer was asked to compile a document for discussion by the Chair of the Panel and the President of the Scrutiny Liaison Committee at a meeting organised by the Officer.	**RS**
5. Bridging Island Plan Workstream The Panel reviewed the draft Scoping Document for reviewing the Bridging Island Plan workstream. The Panel agreed to make some changes to the document and to keep reviewing and working on the document accordingly. The Panel noted correspondence sent to the Minister for the Environment requesting a RAG progress update on the Bridging Island Plan proposals. The Panel agreed that once it had received a response from the Minister it would consider drafting a letter requesting information set out within the workstream Scoping Document. The Panel also agreed it would consider holding one topical hearing with the Minister on the Bridging Island Plan workstream in the future.	**RS** **RS**
6. Jersey Property Holdings Workstream The Panel reviewed the draft Scoping Document for reviewing the Jersey Property Holdings workstream and agreed to make some changes to the document. The Panel agreed to keep reviewing and updating the document accordingly. The Panel noted that it would begin gathering information through its meeting with the Comptroller and Auditor General due to take place at the end of February 2025 and would decide any next steps following that meeting. The Panel agreed it would consider holding one topical hearing with the Minister for Infrastructure on the workstream in the future.	**RS**
7. Quarterly Hearing – Minister for Housing The Panel agreed it would review the draft question plan for the Minister for Housing quarterly hearing electronically.	
8. Quarterly Hearing – Minister for Infrastructure The Panel noted its upcoming public quarterly hearing with the Minister for Infrastructure scheduled for 5th March 2025. The Panel discussed and agreed the question areas to include. It was noted that the draft question plan would be shared with the Panel ahead of its next meeting on 19th February 2025 for its consideration and approval.	
9. Legislative programme letters The Panel noted the letters it had sent to the Minister for the Environment, the Minister for Housing and the Minister for Infrastructure requesting an update on each of their legislative programmes.	
10. Work programme The Panel noted the updates made to its work programme for 2025.	
11. Topics for 2025 Jersey Opinions and Lifestyles Survey	

The Panel discussed and agreed potential questions to submit for consideration for the 2025 Jersey Opinions and Lifestyles Survey. The Panel agreed to request that the same questions on heating systems within the 2024 survey be submitted for 2025, as well as questions in respect of housing needs and Islanders appreciation of Jersey's Natural Environment.	
12. Upcoming Briefings, Meetings and Hearings The Panel noted its upcoming briefings, meetings and hearing dates. The Panel discussed a request that multiple members had received from Fishermen's Mission to organise a meeting with the Panel. The Panel asked the Officers to organise a meeting with the representative of Fishermen's Mission.	**RS**
13. Briefing PFAS The Panel received the Minister for the Environment and Government Officers for a briefing on PFAS. The briefing was held in private in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended) under Qualified Exemption Article 35.	
14. Future Meetings The Panel noted that its next meeting was scheduled for 9:30am on Wednesday 19th February 2025 in the Le Capelain Room of the States Building.	

Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 12th February 2025

Present	Deputy Hilary Jeune, Chair Deputy Tom Coles, Vice Chair [Item 6 onwards] Connétable David Johnson Deputy Alex Curtis Deputy David Warr
In attendance	Anna Thorne, Committee and Panel Officer Jade Hahn, Research and Project Officer Remi Harris, Apprentice Policy Officer [Apologies Item 8] Gwyn Garfield-Bennett, Communications Officer [Item 5 onwards] Item 8 only Deputy Sam Mézec, Minister for Housing Natasha Day, Head of Strategic Housing and Regeneration, Cabinet Office Jack Norris, Policy Principal, Cabinet Office

Agenda matter	Action
1. Records of Meetings The Panel approved the record of its meeting held on 29th January 2025.	 **JH**
2. Declarations and Conflicts of Interest The Panel noted the declaration of interest section in the Scrutiny and Public Accounts Committee Proceedings Code of Practice. Deputy Curtis noted that he had lodged a proposition on the Revocation of Aviemore Sale (P.9/2025). The Panel Chair noted her intention to lodge a proposition on the energy strategy. No other Panel members had any new conflicts to declare in relation to the agenda items. The Panel discussed and agreed to include the word "new" before conflicts within its records of meetings moving forward. Deputy Johnson noted correspondence that he had received in regard to the Residential Tenancy Review that took place in 2018. Deputy Johnson agreed to revert to the Panel with any relevant updates after the meeting had taken place.	 **AT/JH**

3. Correspondence The Panel noted it had received responses to the letters it had sent to each of the Ministers under its remit regarding the legislative programmes for 2025 and considered them in turn.	
The Panel considered the letter it had received from the Minister for the Environment and discussed the Regulation of Care (Standards and Requirements) (Jersey) Regulations 2018. The Panel noted it had received a briefing on the Regulation of Hospital and Ambulance Services amendments on 4th December 2024. The Panel discussed the information it had been provided during the briefing, in the Minister's letter and in response to questions raised in the States Assembly. It agreed to raise the matter with the Scrutiny Liaison Committee for any cross-panel work.	**AT**
The Panel discussed the Animal Welfare (Jersey) Law 2004 and agreed to request further information from the Minister for the Environment regarding the legislative timeframe.	**JH**
The Panel discussed the Food (Jersey) Law 2023 and Bridging Island Plan and agreed to include it as an area for questioning within its quarterly hearing with the Minister for the Environment scheduled for 26th March 2025.	**JH**
The Panel discussed the response it had received from the Minister for Infrastructure and noted the upcoming lodging of a proposition regarding amendments to the The Jersey Gas Company (Jersey) Law 1989. The Panel noted a briefing on the matter was being scheduled for the Children, Education and Home Affairs Panel, and requested that the Officers extend this invitation to the Panel.	**AT**
The Panel discussed the Highways (Jersey) Law 1956 – Amendment (Elections Matter) and agreed to include the topic as an area for questioning in its quarterly hearing with the Minister for Infrastructure scheduled for quarter two of 2025. It requested that further questions on the implementation of the Bridging Liquid Waste Strategy be developed based on information provided to the Panel by the Minister.	**JH**
The Panel considered the response it had received from the Minister for Housing on his legislative programme. The Panel also discussed housing growth forecasts and agreed to include these topics as areas for questioning within the quarterly hearing with the Minister for Housing on 7th May 2025.	**JH**
4. Topics for 2025 Jersey Opinions and Lifestyles Survey The Panel noted it had submitted potential questions for the 2025 Jersey Opinions and Lifestyles Survey and had received confirmation of their receival.	
5. Expert Advisor The Panel noted that a list of potential expert advisors for its forthcoming review of the Draft Residential Tenancy (Jersey) Law had been drafted and would be circulated electronically for its consideration when that review began.	**AT**
6. Marine Resources/Ramsar The Chair of the Panel noted that she had received a number of emails from members of the public on topics of interest. The Panel discussed Jersey's Ramsar sites and a perceived lack of Government action on the conservation of wetlands. The Panel noted it had received an invitation from a Government of Jersey Officer	**AT**

for a briefing on the Marine Spatial Plan and Ramsar sites and agreed to accept the invite. The Panel requested that the Officers make the necessary arrangements. The Chair noted that she had attended a meeting on PFAS on 11th February 2025. The Panel discussed the public perception of the Government's action on the topic. The Panel agreed to provide an update to the Scrutiny Liaison Committee for possible cross-panel work and also include it as an area for questioning in the quarterly hearing with the Minister for the Environment scheduled for 26th March 2025.	**JH**
7. Question Plan for the Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for Housing The Panel reviewed the draft question plan for its quarterly hearing with the Minister for Housing and allocated question areas.	
8. Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for Housing The Panel welcomed the Minister for Housing and Government Officers for a public quarterly hearing. The proceedings were streamed live to the public and a recording was taken so that a written transcript could be produced.	
9. Post-Hearing Discussion The Panel requested that social media posts and a news release be drafted for its approval and publication following the quarterly hearing with the Minister for Housing.	**GGB**
10. Future Briefings and Visits The Panel noted correspondence received from the Fishermen's Mission and an invitation it had received from Jersey Water regarding PFAS and a site visit to the desalination plant. The Panel agreed to accept both invitations and requested that the Officers make the necessary arrangements.	**AT**
11. Future Meetings The Panel noted that its next meeting was scheduled for 9:30am on Wednesday 19th February 2025 in the Le Capelain Room of the States Building. The Chair noted that she was unable to attend the next meeting, and it was agreed that Deputy Coles, the Vice Chair, would chair the meeting in her absence.	

Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 19th February 2025

Present	Deputy Tom Coles, Vice Chair Connétable David Johnson Deputy Alex Curtis Deputy David Warr
Apologies	Deputy Hilary Jeune, Chair
In attendance	Anna Thorne, Committee and Panel Officer Jade Hahn, Research and Project Officer Remi Harris, Apprentice Policy Officer Gwyn Garfield-Bennett, Communications Officer Item 5 only Connétable Andy Jehan, Minister for Infrastructure Steven Fitzgibbon, Lead Engineer, Coastal Engineering David Le Marquand, Policy Principal, Cabinet Office

Agenda matter	Action
1. Records of Meetings The Panel approved the record of its meeting held on 12th February 2025.	 **JH**
2. Declarations and Conflicts of Interest The Panel noted the declaration of interest section in the Scrutiny and Public Accounts Committee Proceedings Code of Practice. Panel members had no other new conflicts to declare in relation to the agenda items.	
3. Correspondence The Panel noted correspondence sent to the Ministers for Housing and Treasury and Resources regarding engagement with mortgage providers. The Panel also noted correspondence sent to the Minister for the Environment regarding the timeline for the completion of the Animal Welfare (Jersey) Law 2004. The Panel agreed to an extension to the response time following a request from Government Officers. The Panel reviewed and approved a letter to the Minister for Housing requesting further information following the quarterly hearing held on 12th February 2025. The Panel noted that the Minister for Infrastructure had requested to postpone the briefing on Project Breakwater. The Panel agreed and requested that the Officers make the necessary arrangements.	 **JH** **AT** **AT**
4. Question Plan – Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for Infrastructure The Panel reviewed and agreed changes to a draft question plan for its quarterly hearing with the Minister for Housing to be held on 5th March 2025.	 **AT**

5. Briefing – Sea Defences The Panel welcomed the Minister for Infrastructure and Government of Jersey Officers for a briefing on sea defences and flooding. The briefing was held in private in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended) under Qualified Exemption Article 35.	
6. Future Meetings The Panel noted that its next meeting was scheduled for 9:30am on Wednesday 5th March 2025 in the Blampied Room of the States Building.	

Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 24th February 2025

Present	Deputy Hilary Jeune, Chair Connétable David Johnson Deputy Alex Curtis Deputy David Warr
Apologies	Deputy Tom Coles, Vice Chair
In attendance	Anna Thorne, Committee and Panel Officer Jade Hahn, Research and Project Officer Item 1 only Lynn Pamment, Comptroller and Auditor General

Agenda matter	Action
1. Briefing – Comptroller and Auditor General – Jersey Property Holdings The Panel welcomed the Comptroller and Auditor General for a briefing on Jersey Property Holdings. The briefing was held in private in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended) under Qualified Exemption Article 36.	
2. Post Briefing Discussion The Panel discussed the briefing with the Comptroller and Auditor General. The Panel considered its future review of Jersey Property Holdings and noted the potential overlap with work being undertaken by the Public Accounts Committee. The Chair advised that the Chair of the PAC had been made aware of the Panel's intention to review Jersey Property Holdings.	
3. Future Meetings The Panel noted that its next meeting was scheduled for 9:30am on Wednesday 5th March 2025 in the Blampied Room of the States Building.	

Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 4th March 2025

Present	Deputy Hilary Jeune, Chair Deputy Tom Coles, Vice Chair Deputy Alex Curtis Deputy David Warr
Apologies	Connétable David Johnson
In attendance	Connétable Andy Jehan, Minister for Infrastructure Natasha Day, Head of Strategic Housing and Regeneration, Strategic Policy, Planning and Performance Hamish Hargreaves, Principal Regeneration Officer, Strategic Policy, Planning and Performance Anna Thorne, Committee and Panel Officer Jade Hahn, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
1. Briefing – Plan for Town Interactive Screens The Panel was welcomed to Union Street by the Head of Strategic Housing and Regeneration and the Principal Regeneration Officer for a demonstration of the interactive screens which had been developed to assist public understanding of the Plan for Town. The screens would be positioned in the Union Street Building, the Town Hall and the Public Library and it was hoped that these would be in place and working on 6th March 2025. The content on the screens brought together key changes in St Helier and would be regularly updated to add new strategies or work which had been done, including public realm improvements. The intention was to enable users to navigate visually through Town and provide layers of information showing the work and underpinning strategies in a user-friendly format. The Panel heard that in terms of the developments which would be included in the presentation, there was a minimum size of 10 units and the 'emerging projects sections' would contain only Government projects. The presentation had been developed in-house as business as usual, and the screens and any hardware had cost £10,000. The team was hoping to develop a page tracking facility to see which pages people were using and for how long. The Panel thanked the Minister and officers for their time.	

Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 5th March 2025

Present	Deputy Hilary Jeune, Chair Deputy Tom Coles, Vice Chair Deputy Alex Curtis Deputy David Warr Connétable David Johnson
In attendance	**Item 6 Only** Connétable Andy Jehan, Minister for Infrastructure Andy Scate, Chief Officer, Infrastructure, Housing and Environment Department Ralph Buccholz, Head of Property Strategy, Infrastructure, Housing and Environment Department Tristen Dodd, Director of Transport, Infrastructure, Housing and Environment Department Ellen Littlechild, Group Director of Operations and Transport, Infrastructure, Housing and Environment Department David Le Marquand, Policy Principal, Cabinet Office **Item 10 only** Deputy Mary Le Hegarat, Minister for Justice and Home Affairs Kate Briden Chief Officer, Justice and Home Affairs Andrew Scate Chief Officer, Infrastructure and Environment Andrew Metcalfe, Associate Director of Strategic Planning and Accountability, Strategic Policy, Planning and Performance Sylvia Roberts, Director of the Civil Division, Law Officer's Department Joseph Brannigan, Research and Project Officer Michael Morris, Communications Officer Anna Thorne, Committee and Panel Officer Jade Hahn, Research and Project Officer (Apologies for Item 10) Remi Harris, Policy Apprentice (Absent for Item 10) Gwyn Garfield-Bennett, Communications Officer (Apologies for Items 9, 10 and 11)

Agenda matter	Action
1. Records of Meetings The Panel noted and approved the records of meetings held on 19th and 24th of February 2025.	**AT**
2. Declarations and Conflicts of Interest The Panel noted the declaration of interest section in the Scrutiny and Public Accounts Committee Proceedings Code of Practice. Panel members had no other new conflicts to declare in relation to the agenda items.	

3. Correspondence The Panel noted correspondence it had received from the Minister for Housing and Assistant Minister with responsibility for Financial Services regarding engagement with mortgage providers. The Panel requested that a letter be drafted for its approval for further follow up of the issues raised by the Ministers' responses. The Panel also noted correspondence it had received from the Minister for the Environment regarding the timeline for amendments to the Animal Welfare (Jersey) Law 2004. The Panel discussed the potential workstream and noted that the JSPCA were analysing the Law. The Panel agreed to schedule a briefing with the JSPCA ahead of the Law being lodged. The Panel noted and discussed a letter from Minister for Infrastructure received regarding the Capital Summary spreadsheet. The Panel requested that a letter be drafted for its approval for further figures to be ascertained.	**JH** **AT/JH** **AT**
4. Other Work The Panel discussed PFAS and the Minister for the Environment's intention to lodge related legislation before the end of 2025. The Panel agreed that the Chair would raise the matter with the Scrutiny Liaison Committee at its next meeting. The Panel noted a briefing with Andium Homes and the Minister for Housing was scheduled for 9th April 2025 and requested that a letter be drafted to the Minister for Social Security and the Minister for Housing requesting information on the number of households which were being housed in hotels and emergency accommodation. The Panel discussed Project Breakwater and noted a Council of Minister's Paper from the meeting on 11th February 2025 regarding the matter.	**HJ** **AT**
5. Question Plan – Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for Infrastructure The Panel discussed and allocated question areas among its members prior to quarterly hearing with the Minister for Infrastructure.	
6. Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for the Environment The Panel discussed the question areas to be included in the question plan for the quarterly hearing with the Minister for the Environment to be held on 26th March 2025.	
7. Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for Infrastructure The Panel welcomed the Minister for Infrastructure and Government Officers for a quarterly hearing. The proceedings were streamed live to the public and a recording was taken so that a written transcript could be produced.	
8. Post Quarterly Hearing Discussion The Panel requested that social media posts and a news release be drafted for its approval and publication following the quarterly hearing with the Minister for Infrastructure.	**GGB**

9. Residential Tenancy (Jersey) Law 2011 The Panel discussed the Residential Tenancy (Jersey) Law 2011 and noted that the Minister for Housing would grant the Panel 5 days, upon receiving the draft law, to decide how long it wished to call it in for.	
10. Briefing - Draft Jersey Gas Company Amendment Law 202- The Panel joined the Children, Education and Home Affairs Panel for a private briefing with Government Officers on the Draft Jersey Gas Company Amendment Law 202-. The amendment was due to be lodged by the Minister for Justice and Home Affairs but would also have an operational and administrative impact on the Infrastructure and Environment Department. The record of this meeting was classified as exempt in accordance with Article 35 of the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended).	
11. Future Meetings The Panel noted that its next meeting was scheduled for 9:30am on Wednesday 12th March 2025 in the Le Capelain Room of the States Building.	

Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 12th March 2025

Present	Deputy Hilary Jeune, Chair Deputy Tom Coles, Vice Chair Connétable David Johnson Deputy Alex Curtis Deputy David Warr (Apologies for Item 1)
In attendance	Anna Thorne, Committee and Panel Officer Jade Hahn, Research and Project Officer Remi Harris, Policy Apprentice (Apologies for Item 8) Gwyn Garfield-Bennett, Communications Officer (Apologies for Item 8)

Agenda matter	Action
1. Records of Meetings The Panel approved the records of meetings held on 4th and 5th March 2025. The Panel noted the plan for television screens in Town had been delayed.	**JH**
2. Declarations and Conflicts of Interest The Panel noted the declaration of interest section in the Scrutiny and Public Accounts Committee Proceedings Code of Practice. Deputies Coles and Warr declared their attendance at a group related to Fort Regent. Deputy Warr also noted his involvement with a group regarding the Lido. Deputy Curtis declared their membership on the Planning Committee and that the Northern Leaf planning application and the St Peter's sewage tank proposal, which fell within the Panel's remit, would be considered by the Planning Committee. Panel members had no other new conflicts to declare in relation to the agenda items.	
3. Correspondence The Panel noted and discussed a letter sent to the Minister for Social Security on 11th March 2025, regarding the number of households being housed in hotels and emergency accommodation. The Panel noted a follow-up letter it had sent to the Assistant Minister for External Relations with responsibility for Financial Services on 11th March 2025 regarding engagement with mortgage providers. The Panel noted and discussed the letter it had sent to the Minister for Infrastructure on 11th March 2025 regarding the process for engagement in relation to road traffic changes. The Panel agreed to schedule a public hearing to facilitate further discussion and transparency. It also agreed to draft social media posts to inform the public about the issue and upcoming briefing.	**JH** **GGB**

The Panel noted a further letter it had sent to the Minister for Infrastructure requesting further information on the capital summary document following the Minister's response on 5th March 2025. The Chair noted that the Chair of the Children, Education, and Home Affairs Panel had agreed to review the letter as it related to Highlands College. It was requested that the Officer liaise with the Officer for the Children, Education and Home Affairs Panel to discuss the workstream on Jersey Property Holdings in relation to schools.	**AT**
4. Question Plan – Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for the Environment The Panel discussed and reviewed the draft question plan for the quarterly hearing with the Minister for the Environment scheduled for 26th March 2025.	
5. Transcripts of Quarterly Hearings with the Minister for Housing and the Minister for Infrastructure The Panel discussed and requested that Officers review transcripts from quarterly hearings to track ministerial commitments. Consideration was given to holding additional stand-alone public hearings for ad-hoc workstreams. The Panel noted from its meeting with the Comptroller and Auditor General that the Minister for Housing's did not have a housing strategy. The Panel discussed a number of related areas, including: • the role of Andium Homes • housing mix suitability, particularly for vulnerable people • the relationship between Andium Homes and the States of Jersey Development Company (SoJDC) • flexibility within the system for adaptation • oversight of the Affordable Housing Gateway • maximising the Panel's influence on Island housing. The Panel agreed to conduct a housing review and requested Officers to draft terms of reference and a scoping document. The Panel agreed to schedule a public hearing on the housing review for May. The Panel discussed Ministerial Decisions 135 and 136 and requested full breakdowns be shared with the Panel. The Panel agreed to move the Bridging Island Plan public hearing to July 2025. The Panel noted the receipt of the Minister for Infrastructure public hearing transcript and requested Officers to analyse the follow-up actions and the timeline of those actions. The Panel agreed to send a letter to the Minister for Infrastructure following the review of the quarterly hearing transcript from 5th March 2025. The Panel discussed its work programme for 2025. The Panel agreed to schedule a public hearing on the plan to revitalise Town for June.	**AT** **AT** **AT** **JH** **AT**

6. Briefing – Project Breakwater The Panel noted its disappointment that the Deputy Chief Minister and Minister for Infrastructure had cancelled the upcoming briefing on Project Breakwater.	
7. Briefing – Fishermen's Mission The Panel noted a briefing paper prepared in advance of the Panel's meeting with a representative of the Fishermen's Mission to be held on 20th March 2025. The Panel requested that sandwiches be ordered for the meeting.	**JH**
8. Briefing – Ramsar Sites The Panel received Government Officers for a briefing on Ramsar sites and the progress on the Marine Spatial Plan. The briefing was held in private in accordance with the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended) under Qualified Exemption Article 36.	**AT**
9. Post-Briefing Discussion The Panel noted the Minister's intention to lodge the new Residential Tenancy Law during the week of 17th March 2025. Members discussed the timeframe for lodging and the Panel's review of the new Residential Tenancy Law. Deputy Coles informed the Panel of his absence for the quarterly hearing with the Minister for the Environment scheduled for 26th March 2025.	
10. Future Meeting The Panel noted that its next meeting was scheduled for 9:30am on Wednesday 26th March 2025 in the Le Capelain Room of the States Building.	

Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 20th March 2025

Present	Deputy Hilary Jeune, Chair Deputy Tom Coles, Vice Chair Deputy Alex Curtis
Apologies	Connétable David Johnson Deputy David Warr
In attendance	Hayley Hamlett, Representative, Fisherman's Mission Gabby Mason, Representative, Jade-S Fisheries Jade Hahn, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
1. Briefing – Fisherman's Mission The Panel received Hayley Hamlett and Gabby Mason for a briefing on the Fisherman's Mission, where the following topics were discussed: • An overview of the Fisherman's Mission, which was established in 1881, originally provided housing but now focused on direct assistance. • Challenges of the fishing industry such as financial pressures, demanding work conditions, long hours, and personal sacrifices. As well as economic struggles due to a declining octopus' population and regulatory changes. • Support provided by the Fisherman's Mission included financial assistance with unexpected bills, rent deposits, mortgage arrears, and lost work due to illness/injury. • Health and wellbeing, which involved the Dentaid and Seafit campaigns. • Support for Jersey's fishing community and community engagement, particularly through social media channels. • Collaborations and outreach with organisations such as the Royal Navy • Emergency response co-ordination. • Future plans for returning to the Island in 2026.	
2. Future Meeting The Panel noted that its next meeting was scheduled for 9:30am on Wednesday 26th March 2025 in the Le Capelain Room of the States Building.	

Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel

Record of Electronic Meeting

Date: 24th March 2025

Present	Deputy Hilary Jeune, Chair Connétable David Johnson Deputy Alex Curtis Deputy David Warr
Apologies	Deputy Tom Coles, Vice Chair
In attendance	Anna Thorne, Committee and Panel Officer Jade Hahn, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
1. Review – Draft Residential Tenancy (Jersey) Amendment Law 202- P.24/2025 The Panel noted and electronically approved its Terms of Reference, Scoping Document and Communications Plan for its review of the Draft Residential Tenancy (Jersey) Amendment Law 202- P.24/2025.	**AT**
2. Future Meeting The Panel noted that its next meeting was scheduled for 9:30 am on Wednesday 26th March 2025 in the Le Capelain Room of the States Building.	

Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 26th March 2025

Present	Deputy Hilary Jeune, Chair Connétable David Johnson Deputy Alex Curtis Deputy David Warr
Apologies	Deputy Tom Coles, Vice Chair
In attendance	Item 5 only Minister for the Environment, Deputy Steve Luce Assistant Minister for the Environment, Connétable David Johnson Kelly Whitehead, Group Director, Regulation, Infrastructure, Housing and Environment Department Kevin Pilley, Head of Place and Spatial Planning Anna Thorne, Committee and Panel Officer Jade Hahn, Research and Project Officer Remi Harris, Policy Apprentice (Items 1 - 4) Gwyn Garfield-Bennett, Communications Officer

Agenda matter	Action
1. Records of Meetings The Panel reviewed the minutes of 12th March 2025 which were approved by the Panel.	
2. Declarations and Conflicts of Interest The Panel noted the declaration of interest section in the Scrutiny and Public Accounts Committee Proceedings Code of Practice. The Panel noted that Deputy Warr raised a concern about any perception of conflict between his work on the Panel and his attendance at meetings about the development of Fort Regent on behalf of his constituents. Panel members had no other new conflicts to declare in relation to the agenda items.	
3. Media monitoring The Panel requested that the Communications Officer update the Panel on relevant media items on the day of future Quarterly Hearings.	**GGB**
4. Climate Council The Panel agreed that the Chair should attend a meeting with Policy Officers on the Panel's behalf to receive an update on the progress to establish a Climate Council. It was noted that the criteria and process for the membership of the Council was set out in P.117/2022 – Establishment of a Climate Council. The appointment of	

members was to be achieved through a joint decision from the Assistant Minister for the Environment and the EHI Scrutiny Panel Chair.	
5. Question Plan – Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for the Environment The Panel allocated questions for the forthcoming Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for the Environment among Panel Members.	
6. Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for the Environment The Panel welcomed the Minister and Assistant Minister for the Environment for a quarterly hearing. The proceedings were streamed live to the public and a recording was taken so that a written transcript could be produced.	
7. Post Quarterly Hearing Discussion The Panel requested that social media posts and a news release be drafted for its approval and publication following the quarterly hearing with the Minister for the Environment. The Panel requested that a letter be drafted to the Minister for the Environment requesting responses to the questions which had not been asked during the quarterly hearing.	**GGB** **AT/JH**
8. Briefings The Panel noted the following briefings had been scheduled: • A New Vision for Fort Regent be held on 28th March 2025 • Andium Homes and the Minister for Housing in relation to the split between rental stock and home buy properties to be held on 9th April 2025. The Panel noted that it was due to receive a briefing paper ahead of the Andium Homes meeting.	
9. Public Hearing - Public Engagement and Consultation on Road Traffic Changes The Panel noted that a public hearing had been scheduled with the Minister for Infrastructure on public engagement and consultation on traffic changes to be held on 9th April 2025 and that a question plan would be drafted for its approval ahead of the hearing.	**AT/JH**
10. Correspondence The Panel acknowledged receipt of a response from the Ministers for Housing and Social Security on emergency accommodation and noted it for future consideration. The Panel also noted receipt of a letter from the Minister for Infrastructure and asked that the response be used to inform the question plan to be drafted for its public hearing on public engagement and consultation on traffic changes. The Panel further noted a response from the Assistant Minister for External Relations and Financial Services regarding engagement with mortgage providers and asked that the content be noted for the Housing Review the Panel intended to conduct. The Panel noted that it had not yet received a response from the Minister for Infrastructure in relation to its queries on a capital summary document.	**AT/JH** **AT/JH** **AT/JH**

11. Review - Draft Residential Tenancy (Jersey) Amendment Law 202- The Panel discussed the next steps for its forthcoming review of the Draft Residential Tenancy (Jersey) Amendment Law 202- The Panel agreed that an engagement brief for the appointment of potential advisors should be drafted for its review and approval. It noted that a tracker timeline had been prepared for its review. It discussed the stakeholders which it would like to call as witnesses for the review and confirmed that it would like a survey to be prepared for tenants. The Panel also discussed the distribution of the survey.	**AT/JH** **AT/JH/GGB**
12. Work Programme The Panel discussed updates to its work programme for 2025. The Panel agreed to revise the date for a hearing to be held in relation to its Housing Review from May to September.	
13. Future Meeting The Panel noted that its next meeting was scheduled for 1:00pm on Thursday 9th April2025 in the Le Capelain Room of the States Building .	

Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel

Record of Electronic Meeting

Date: 28th March 2025

Present	Deputy Hilary Jeune, Chair Deputy Alex Curtis Deputy David Warr Connétable David Johnson
Apologies	Deputy Tom Coles, Vice Chair
In attendance	Deputy Andy Jehan, Minister for Infrastructure Andrew Scate, Chief Officer, Infrastructure and Environment Department Natasha Day, Head of Strategic Housing and Regeneration, Cabinet Office Lee Henry, Managing Director, Jersey Development Company Louise Magris, Director for Housing, Environment and Placemaking, Strategic Policy, Planning and Performance, Cabinet Office Ralph Buchholz, Head of Property Strategy, Infrastructure and Environment Department Hermione Duncan, Private Secretary to the Minister for the Environment Jade Hahn, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
1. Briefing – New Vision for Fort Regent The Panel received the Minister for Infrastructure and Government Officers for a private briefing on the New Vision for Fort Regent. A private detailed file note was made of the briefing, classified as exempt in accordance with Article 36 of the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended).	**JH**
2. Future Meeting The Panel noted that its next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday 9th April 2025 in the Le Capelain Room of the States Building.	

Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 9th April 2025

Present	Deputy Tom Coles, Vice Chair Deputy Alex Curtis Deputy David Warr Connétable David Johnson
Apologies	Deputy Hilary Jeune, Chair
In attendance	**Item 10 only** Deputy Andy Jehan, Minister for Infrastructure Tristen Dodd, Director of Transport, Infrastructure and Environment Department Quintin Murfin, Principal Engineer, Infrastructure and Environment Department David Le Marquand, Private Secretary for the Minister for Infrastructure, Cabinet Office **Item 12 only** Deputy Sam Mézec, Minister for Housing Natasha Day, Head of Strategic Housing and Regeneration, Cabinet Office Lindsay Wood, Chief Finance and Operations Officer, Andium Homes Carl Mavity, Chief Client Transformation Officer, Andium Homes Carly Cudlipp, Private Secretary to the Minister for Housing, Cabinet Office Anna Thorne, Committee and Panel Officer Jade Hahn, Research and Project Officer Gwyn Garfield-Bennett, Communications Officer [Apologies for Items 12, 13 and 14]

Agenda matter	Action
1. Records of Meetings The Panel noted and approved the records of meetings held on 20th, 24th, 26th and 28th March 2025.	**JH**
2. Declarations of Interest The Panel noted the declaration of interest section in the Scrutiny and Public Accounts Committee Proceedings Code of Practice. Panel members had no other new conflicts to declare in relation to the agenda items.	
3. Question Plan – Public Hearing with Minister for Infrastructure on Public Engagement and Consultation on Road Traffic Changes The Panel reviewed the question plan and allocated question areas among Panel Members prior to the public hearing with the Minister for Infrastructure. The Panel discussed the recent social media interest in the Infrastructure and Environment Department's road traffic consultations.	

4. Review: Draft Residential Tenancy (Jersey) Amendment Law 202- The Panel discussed its review of the Draft Residential Tenancy (Jersey) Amendment Law 202-.	
It was agreed that the expert advisors shortlisted by the Panel to assist in its review, would be invited for interview on Friday 11th April 2025. The Panel requested the Officers draft interview questions.	**JH**
The Panel discussed its communications plan and agreed that as part of its efforts to gather the views of tenants, it would hold café pop-ups to reach members of the Portuguese community who were renting property. The Panel agreed to hold café pop-ups with the assistance of a translator, when required on 10th May between 2pm and 3pm and 3:30pm and 4:30pm. The Panel were cognisant of the public holiday for Liberation Day on 9th May but agreed that it was important to canvas the views of the community and time to do so was limited.	**GGB**
The Panel discussed employment-related housing and how to target stakeholders in that regard.	**GGB**
The Panel noted the flyers drafted for its stakeholder engagement and requested that the Communications Officer make amendments to the wording for its approval. The Panel also noted the video and social media posts drafted and agreed to publish them following the publication of its public survey.	**GGB**
The Panel discussed and agreed to hold pop-up stands in the Town Market on 30th April 2025 and at Charing Cross on 1st May 2025.	**GGB**
The Panel discussed engagement with the Romanian community. The Panel requested that the Communications Officer engage with local businesses to advertise its posters.	**JH**
The Panel requested that the Officers include a link to the public survey within its written submission request letter to be sent to Jersey Hospitality Association.	**AT**
The Panel noted and discussed the draft questions for its public survey and requested amendments prior to its approval. The Panel agreed to publish its public survey once the amendments had been made.	**AT/GGB**
The Panel discussed its stakeholder engagement strategy and the need to hear the views of tenants in the private rental sector and requested that the International Finance Centre and the Castle Quay and Horizon buildings were targeted for promotion of the review and the survey.	**AT/JH/GGB**
The Panel discussed the Jersey Estate Agents Association and requested that the Officers compile a membership list of the organisation. The Panel requested that the Officers include any estate agents that were not members as stakeholders within its written submission requests.	**JH**
The Panel noted and approved the draft written submission letters and agreed to send them out to the list of stakeholders approved within its Scoping Document.	**JH**
The Panel noted the written submissions it had received from members of the public to date.	

5. New Vision for Fort Regent The Panel discussed the private briefing received in relation to the New Vision for Fort Regent project on 28th March 2025 and the private file note which had been prepared. It was noted that clarity was needed on the Ministerial responsibility for the project. The Panel noted the public consultation on the New Vision for Fort Regent was due to end on 18th May 2025 and agreed to request a briefing with the States of Jersey Development Company (SoJDC) and Government Officers in June 2025. The Panel discussed the role of the SoJDC as the delivery company for the Fort Regent project and its relationship to the Government of Jersey as an Arm's Length Organisation. The Panel discussed the Public Accounts Committee's launch of its review of the Arm's Length Organisations and noted that its scrutiny of the Fort Regent project would be cognisant of that review.	**AT**
6. Departmental Business Plans The Panel agreed to defer discussion of the Departmental Business Plans relevant to the Panel's remit at its next meeting.	**AT**
7. Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Contamination The Panel noted the publication of the PFAS Scientific Advisory Panel's Draft Third Report and discussed recent media articles regarding the topic.	
8. 2025 Work Programme The Panel noted and discussed its 2025 Work Programme. The Panel noted a number of recent ministerial decisions published in regard to the transportation of animals for slaughter and ear docking. The Panel agreed to send a letter to the Minister for the Environment requesting a detailed breakdown of which laws would be impacted by the Ministerial Decisions.	**JH/AT**
9. Briefing Invitations The Panel agreed to schedule briefings on the inert waste tender contract and the bus tender contract and requested that the Officers make the necessary arrangements.	**JH**
10. Public Hearing with Minister for Infrastructure on Public Engagement and Consultation on Road Traffic Changes The Panel received the Minister for Infrastructure and Government Officers for a public hearing on public engagement and consultation on road traffic changes. The proceedings were streamed live to the public and a recording was taken so that a written transcript could be produced.	
11. Post Public Hearing Discussion The Panel requested that social media posts be drafted for its approval and publication following the public hearing with the Minister for Infrastructure on public engagement and consultation on road traffic changes.	**GGB**
12. Briefing: Minister for Housing and Andium Homes	

The Panel received the Minister for Housing, Government Officers and Officers from Andium Homes for a briefing on Andium Homes' retained rental stock for social housing and its home buy scheme as well as future product developments A private detailed file note was made of the briefing which was classified as exempt in accordance with Article 33 of the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended).	**AT**
13. Post-Briefing Discussion The Panel noted and discussed the briefing with the Minister for Housing and Officers on Andium Homes and agreed to add topics raised during the briefing to its question area for its next quarterly hearing. The Panel requested that a letter be drafted for its approval to the Minister for Housing requesting further information on the development of the former St Saviour's Hospital site, and to accept the invitation for a tour of new Andium Homes housing developments.	**AT**
14. Future Meeting The Panel noted that its next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday 30th April 2025 in the Le Capelain Room of the States Building.	

Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date:11th April 2025

Present	Deputy Tom Coles, Vice-Chair Connétable David Johnson Deputy David Warr [via Teams] Deputy Alex Curtis [via Teams]
Apologies	Deputy Hilary Jeune, Chair
In attendance	Jade Hahn, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
1. Interview with Potential Expert Advisors The Panel welcomed a series of potential expert advisors for its Review of the Draft Residential Tenancy (Jersey) Amendment Law 202- (the Review). The discussions were classified as exempt in accordance with Article 33 of the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended) and a private minute was taken.	
2. Post-Interview Discussion The Panel discussed the interviews conducted with prospective advisors for its Review. It was agreed that a decision on the appointment would be deferred until written proposals had been received from each candidate.	

Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date:16th April 2025

Present	Deputy Tom Coles, Vice-Chair Deputy David Warr Deputy Alex Curtis
Apologies	Deputy Hilary Jeune, Chair Connétable David Johnson
In attendance	Jade Hahn, Research and Project Officer Gwyn Garfield-Bennett, Communications Officer

Agenda matter	Action
1. Record of meetings The Panel noted and approved the record of a meeting held on 9th April 2025.	**JH**
2. Declarations of Interest The Panel noted the declaration of interest section in the Scrutiny and Public Accounts Committee Proceedings Code of Practice. Panel members had no other new conflicts to declare in relation to the agenda items.	
3. Review: Residential Tenancy (Jersey) Amendment Law 202- The Panel agreed the press release for the launch of its review of the Residential Tenancy (Jersey) Amendment Law 202- (the Review) and requested the Officers make the necessary arrangements. The Panel discussed its Communications Strategy, noting that: • its tenant survey had gone live on 15th April 2025, • its social media posts were to be published today, • leaflets had been sent for print and would be distributed once received, with translations into Portuguese pending, • its pop-up stands had been booked, and • digital advertising screens in St Helier Town Hall had been secured. The Panel also noted that the tenants survey was live and available via the Review webpage, and that the accompanying video would be posted later that day. The Panel agreed that leaflets would be distributed to high-rise private rented apartment blocks, including 14 Gloucester Street, Century Buildings, and properties on St Saviour's Road. The Panel discussed the promotional flyer to be used for the pop-up stalls and agreed a number of amendments. The Panel requested that the final flyer be drafted for its approval and printing. The Panel noted that the pop-up stalls were scheduled for 1st May 2025 at the Central Market and 10th May 2025 in selected Portuguese cafés. The Panel	**GGB** **GGB** **GGB** **GGB** **GGB**

discussed potential further pop-up stalls and requested that the Officers enquire for availability in Town on 15th May 2025. The Panel considered the public submissions received to date, noting a recurrence of comments made regarding the proposed rent cap. The Panel agreed to include the topic as an area of questioning for its next quarterly hearing with the Minister for Housing scheduled for Wednesday 7th May 2025. The Panel noted that written submission requests had been sent out to the stakeholders identified by its Review. The Panel discussed the list compiled on estate agents that were not members of the Jersey Estate Agents Association requested at its last meeting. The Panel agreed to send those organisations written submission requests and asked the Officers to make the necessary arrangements. The Panel discussed the appointment of expert advisors, noting that two proposals had been received, with one still outstanding.	**JH** **AT/JH**
4. Perfluoroalkyl and Polyfluoroalkyl Substances (PFAS) Contamination The Panel discussed the upcoming publication of the third PFAS report and agreed to schedule a briefing on the matter with the Minister for the Environment for 30th April 2025.	**JH**
5. Briefing: Inert Waste – Tender Contract The Panel noted a briefing it had scheduled for 25th April 2025 with Government Officers regarding the Inert Waste tender contract, which would be held electronically.	
6. Briefing: New Vision for Fort Regent The Panel noted that a briefing had been scheduled for 11th June 2025 with the States of Jersey Development Company (SoJDC) regarding the New Vision for Fort Regent. The Panel discussed the absence of Terms of Reference for SoJDC's involvement in the Fort Regent project and agreed to seek further clarity on the scope of its role and lines of accountability during the briefing. The Panel discussed possible overlap with the work of the Corporate Services Scrutiny Panel and agreed there may be potential for future cross-panel collaboration.	
7. Media Update The Panel noted recent media reports that Jersey Electricity Company had announced a 33% increase in fees for electric vehicle charging, as well as a 12.5% increase in bus fares. The Panel discussed the broader context of EVOLVE.je and Government strategy on electric vehicles. The Panel agreed to include the topic as an area for questioning in its next scheduled quarterly public hearing with the relevant Minister(s). The Panel discussed its request for a briefing on the tender contract for the bus service made at the last meeting and requested that the Officers make the necessary arrangements.	**JH/AT** **JH**
8. Departmental Business Plans	

The Panel noted and discussed the Departmental Business Plans relevant to the Panel's remit. The Panel noted the omission of the Sea Fisheries (Trawling, Netting and Dredging) (Jersey) Regulations 2001 from the Minister for the Environment's Departmental Business Plan and agreed to write to the Minister seeking clarity on why it was not included.	**JH**
9. Correspondence The Panel noted and discussed correspondence received from the Minister for the Environment in response to its letter dated 3rd April 2025 regarding follow-up questions from the last quarterly hearing.	
10. Future Meetings The Panel noted that its next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday 30th April 2025 in the Blampied Room of the States Building.	

Environment, Housing and Infrastructure Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 25th April 2025

Present	Deputy Hilary Jeune, Chair Deputy Tom Coles, Vice Chair Deputy David Warr Connétable David Johnson
Apologies	Deputy Alex Curtis
In attendance	**Item 3 only** Daniel De La Cour, Head of Operational Improvement, Infrastructure, Housing and Environment Department [via Teams] Jade Hahn, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
1. Declarations of Interest The Panel noted the declaration of interest section in the Scrutiny and Public Accounts Committee Proceedings Code of Practice. Panel members had no other new conflicts to declare in relation to the agenda items.	
2. Review: Draft Residential Tenancy (Jersey) Amendment Law 202- The Panel discussed its ongoing review of the Draft Residential Tenancy (Jersey) Amendment Law 202-. It was noted that the appointment of the expert adviser had been delayed due to an extended interview process. The Panel considered the submissions received in response to its call for evidence, including feedback from its tenants' survey. It also noted the written submission requests sent to stakeholders and agreed to extend this to include the Jersey Bankers Association. The Panel discussed the high volume of submissions received to date and, given the ongoing absence of an appointed adviser, agreed to write to the Minister for Housing requesting that the debate on the Draft Residential Tenancy (Jersey) Amendment Law be deferred to the next sitting of the States Assembly.	**JH** **JH**
3. Briefing: Inert Waste Tender Contract The Panel received the Government Officer for a briefing on the tender process and contract for inert waste. A private detailed filenote was made of the briefing which was classified as exempt in accordance with Article 33 of the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended).	**JH**
4. Future Meeting The Panel noted that its next meeting was scheduled for Wednesday 30th April 2025 in the Blampied Room of the States Building.	