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Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Records of Meetings

2025

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

Signed

Chair

Deputy Montford Tadier

États de Jersey



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Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 9th January 2025

Present	Deputy Montfort Tadier, Chair Deputy Karen Wilson, Vice-Chair [via Teams] Deputy Max Andrews
Apologies	Deputy Geoff Southern
In attendance	Peter Lamy, Committee and Panel Officer Jade Hahn, Research and Project Officer Sarah Hopkins, Communications Officer

Agenda matter	Action
1. Records of Meetings	
The Panel approved the records of its meetings for 3 rd , 5 th , 12 th and 13 th December 2024.	JH
2. Work Programme	
<p>The Panel discussed its work programme for 2025 and noted the upcoming draft legislation within its remit, as identified in a letter received by the Scrutiny Liaison Committee from the Chief Minister. It acknowledged that the legislative programme would largely preoccupy the Panel's work for the year.</p> <p>The Panel reflected on the debate of the Draft Shipping (Registration) (Jersey) Amendment Regulations 202-. [P.46/2024] and how correspondence to the Assembly had created political discourse in a short timeframe. The Panel confirmed with the Officer the formalised process for scrutinising legislation. The Panel expressed the need to adopt a more proactive stance on publication of Comments Papers outlining the scrutiny undertaken in its consideration of legislation and agreed that it would comment on all workstreams within the legislative programme for 2025 as and when it felt it suitable, whilst being mindful of its workload and resources.</p> <p>The Panel further discussed the Shipping (Registration) (Jersey) Amendment Regulations 2024 and agreed to include the matter as an area for questioning during its quarterly hearing with the Minister for Sustainable Economic Development scheduled for 20th February 2025.</p> <p>The Panel discussed the potential meeting with Deputy Sam Mézec on the Comprehensive and Progressive Agreement for Trans-Pacific Partnership but agreed it was not necessary at that time.</p> <p>The Panel then considered potential reviews or areas of questioning supplementary to the legislative programme.</p> <p>The ferry tender process was identified as an area for further exploration. The Panel noted an overlap with the Public Accounts Committee (PAC) and Comptroller and Auditor General, which were examining procurement processes, the administration of Government and transport links and agreed to stay informed on their work to avoid duplication. The Panel discussed the economic impact of the tender process,</p>	PL/JH
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<p>including costs to the economy and the connection between economic value and reputational risk. It was noted that these elements fell under the Panel's remit. Accordingly, the Panel agreed that further consideration was required of how to best pose questions to the Minister for Sustainable Economic Development on the matter and agreed that this would be discussed at a future meeting. The Panel also agreed to draft a statement regarding the matter stating its intention to scrutinise the topic and announcing its intention to continue questioning the Minister for Sustainable Development.</p> <p>The Panel discussed staffing issues within the Economy Department and agreed to include this as an area for questioning within its quarterly hearing with the Minister for Sustainable Economic Development scheduled for 20th February 2025.</p> <p>The Panel discussed its ongoing Review of Acceptance of Cash Payments and noted that the draft report would shortly be forwarded for its consideration.</p> <p>The Panel noted that the cost of living had been highlighted as a potential area of public interest for scrutiny review. The Panel discussed the potential for a focused review to consider elements of the workstream that fell within its remit and considered forming a sub-panel. The Panel agreed to consider the matter further at a future meeting.</p>	<p>SH</p> <p>PL/JH</p> <p>PL</p> <p>PL</p>
<p>3. Correspondence</p> <p>The Panel noted and discussed a letter it had received from the Minister for Sustainable Development on 10th December 2024 regarding the Ferry Operating Agreement. The Panel agreed that this would form part of the consideration of further questioning to the Minister on the topic.</p>	
<p>4. Any Other Business</p> <p>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 request dates from the Scrutiny Liaison Committee in the first instance.</p>	<p>PL</p>
<p>5. Future Meetings</p> <p>The Panel noted and agreed its meetings and hearings scheduled for 2025.</p> <p>The Panel noted that its next meeting was scheduled to take place at 11:00am on Thursday 16th January 2025 in the States Building, Le Capelain Room.</p>	

Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 16th January 2025

Present	Deputy Montfort Tadier, Chair Deputy Karen Wilson, Vice-Chair [Items 2, 3 & 4 only] Deputy Max Andrews
Apologies	Deputy Geoff Southern
In attendance	Item 3 only Deputy Carolyn Labey, Minister for International Development Francis Walker, Policy Head, Cabinet Office Rose Dickinson, Policy Officer, Cabinet Office Peter Lamy, Committee and Panel Officer Jade Hahn, Research and Project Officer Sarah Hopkins, Communications Officer [Items 1 & 2 only]

Agenda matter	Action
1. Work Programme The Panel discussed its work programme for 2025 and noted the recent publication of the Jersey: Future-fit Retail Roadmap. The Panel agreed to include the Roadmap as an area for questioning in its Quarterly Hearing with the Minister for Sustainable Economic Development scheduled for 20 th February 2025.	PL
2. Review: Acceptance of Cash Payments The Panel noted and discussed the draft report for its Acceptance of Cash Payments Review. The Panel considered its key findings and recommendations and made a number of changes. The Panel requested that the Officer make the amendments and agreed to schedule a meeting to consider the updated report. The Panel expressed its thanks to the Officers for their work on the Review.	PL
3. Private Briefing: “National Day” and “Jersey Anthem” The Panel received the Minister for International Development and Government Officers regarding an update on the “National Day” and “Jersey Anthem” workstream. A private detailed file note was made of the briefing, classified as exempt in accordance with Article 35 of the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended).	JH
4. Post-Briefing Discussion The Panel discussed the private briefing and agreed to commence drafting a comments paper on the workstream.	PL

<p>The Panel also discussed its potential review of the ferry tender process and considered meetings that could be considered, noting that a briefing with the Minister for Sustainable Economic Development had been scheduled to take place on 30th January 2025. The Panel further noted that the Comptroller and Auditor General's review of the Government's procurement processes was expected shortly and discussed the potential overlap of the reviews, as well as the work of other Scrutiny Panels.</p>	
<p>5. Future Meetings</p> <p>The Panel noted the next scheduled meeting would take place at 12:00pm on Thursday 30th January 2024 in the States Building, Blampied Room.</p> <p>The Panel agreed that an earlier meeting should be scheduled to take place at 10:00am on Monday 20th January 2025 in Morier House, Icho Room.</p>	

Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 20th January 2025

Present	Deputy Montfort Tadier, Chair Deputy Karen Wilson, Vice-Chair Deputy Max Andrews [via Teams]
Apologies	Deputy Geoff Southern
In attendance	Peter Lamy, Committee and Panel Officer Jade Hahn, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
1. Review: Acceptance of Cash Payments The Panel noted and discussed the draft report for its Acceptance of Cash Payments Review that had been updated following its last meeting. The Panel considered its key findings and recommendations and made a number of additional changes. The Panel requested that the Officer make the amendments and agreed to consider the updated report electronically before deciding whether to schedule a further meeting. The Panel noted the timeline it had anticipated for the publication of the final report agreeing that it would be beneficial to finalise the report in January 2025. The Panel noted an invite it had received from the Digital and Public Engagement team to create a video discussing the publication of the final report. The Chair accepted the invitation and requested that the Officer make the necessary arrangements.	PL
2. Future Meetings The Panel noted the next scheduled meeting would take place at 12:00pm on Thursday 30 th January 2024 in the States Building, Blampied Room.	

Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 23rd January 2025

Present	Deputy Montfort Tadier, Chair Deputy Karen Wilson, Vice-Chair Deputy Geoff Southern Deputy Max Andrews [via Teams]
In attendance	Peter Lamy, Committee and Panel Officer Jade Hahn, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
1. Review: Acceptance of Cash Payments The Panel noted and discussed the draft report for its Acceptance of Cash Payments Review that had been updated following its last meeting. The Panel considered the body of the report and its findings and made a number of amendments that were actioned by the Officer. The Panel approved the final draft and agreed that it should be forwarded for fact checking prior to final approval for presentation to the States Assembly. The Panel requested that the Officer make the necessary arrangements.	PL
2. Future Meetings The Panel noted that the next scheduled meeting would take place at 12:00pm on Thursday 30 th January 2024 in the Blampied Room of the States Building.	

Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 30th January 2025

Present	Deputy Montfort Tadier, Chair [via Teams] [Apologies Items 2 and 8] Deputy Karen Wilson, Vice-Chair Deputy Geoff Southern [Apologies Items 1, 2 and 8] Deputy Max Andrews [via Teams]
In attendance	Item 1 only Deputy Kirsten Morel, Minister for Sustainable Economic Development Richard Corrigan, Director General, Economy Department Item 2 only Tony Moretta, Chief Executive Officer, Digital Jersey Peter Lamy, Committee and Panel Officer Jade Hahn, Research and Project Officer Sarah Hopkins, Communications Officer [Absent Items 1, 2 and 8] Remi Harris, Policy Apprentice [Absent Items 1, 2 and 8]

Agenda matter	Action
1. Briefing: Ferry Service The Panel received the Minister for Sustainable Economic Development and the Government Officer briefing regarding an update on the ferry service workstream and Opera House. A private detailed file note was made of the briefing, classified as exempt in accordance with Articles 33, 34 & 36 of the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended).	JH
2. Briefing: Impact Jersey The Panel received the Chief Executive Officer of Digital Jersey for a briefing regarding an update on the Impact Jersey workstream. A private detailed file note was made of the briefing, classified as exempt in accordance with Articles 33, 35 and 36 of the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended).	JH
3. Records of Meetings The Panel noted and approved the minutes of Panel meetings held on the 9th, 16th and 20th of January 2025.	JH
4. Post Briefing Discussion The Panel noted the briefings held earlier that day and agreed to write a letter to the Minister for Sustainable Economic Development to request the contract for ferry service provision and to ask a number of questions raised during the briefing. The	

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Electronic Record of Meeting

Date: 1st February 2025

Present	Deputy Montfort Tadier, Chair Deputy Karen Wilson, Vice-Chair Deputy Geoff Southern Deputy Max Andrews
Apologies	
In attendance	Peter Lamy, Committee and Panel Officer Jade Hahn, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
1. Acceptance of Cash Payments Review The Panel noted a draft of its Acceptance of Cash Payments Review report, updated following discussion at its meeting of 30 th January 2025. The Panel agreed further updates and approved the final draft of the report, noting that it would be presented to the States Assembly in due course and that an associated media release would be issued.	PL

Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Electronic Record of Meeting

Date: 5th February 2025

Present	Deputy Montfort Tadier, Chair Deputy Karen Wilson, Vice-Chair Deputy Geoff Southern Deputy Max Andrews
Apologies	
In attendance	Peter Lamy, Committee and Panel Officer Jade Hahn, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
1. Jersey Opinions and Lifestyle survey The Panel noted that an opportunity had been raised by the Scrutiny Liaison Committee in forwarding questions to Statistics Jersey for consideration of inclusion in the Jersey Opinion and Lifestyle survey. The Panel approved a drafted request form including questions related to its Acceptance of Cash Payments Review report and agreed that should be forwarded.	PL

Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 6th February 2025

Present	Deputy Montfort Tadier, Chair Deputy Karen Wilson, Vice-Chair Deputy Max Andrews
Apologies	Deputy Geoff Southern
In attendance	Deputy Ian Gorst, Minister for External Relations Tom Le Feuvre, Director, Global Markets and International Agreements, Department for External Relations Cora O'Brien, Deputy Comptroller of Revenue, Treasury and Exchequer Peter Lamy, Committee and Panel Officer Jade Hahn, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
1. Briefing: Competitiveness Programme The Panel received the Minister for External Relations and Government Officers for a briefing regarding the Competitiveness Programme. A private detailed file note was made of the briefing, classified as exempt in accordance with Articles 33, & 35 of the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011 (as amended).	

Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 13th February 2025

Present	Deputy Karen Wilson, Vice-Chair Deputy Max Andrews
Apologies	Deputy Geoff Southern Deputy Montfort Tadier, Chair
In attendance	Peter Lamy, Committee and Panel Officer Sarah Hopkins, Communications Officer Roselyn Sharp, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
1. Records of meetings The Panel noted and approved the minutes of Panel meetings held on 30 th January, 1 st , 5 th and 6 th February 2025.	
2. Shipping and Harbour (Inshore Safety) Laws The Panel noted the lodged 'Draft Harbours (Inshore Safety) (Jersey) Amendment Regulations 202- [P.3/2025] ' and 'Draft Shipping (Jersey) Amendment Law 202- [P.4/2025] ' and agreed that questions would be included within the quarterly hearing scheduled to take place on 20 th February 2025.	
3. National Day The Panel noted the lodged proposition 'A National Day for Jersey [P.6/2025] ' and agreed that questions would be included within the quarterly hearing scheduled to take place on 27 th February 2025.	
4. Quarterly Hearings The Panel discussed question areas for its quarterly hearing with the Minister for International Development scheduled to take place at 3pm on Thursday 27 th February 2025. The Panel agreed to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Priorities and workstreams for 2025• National Day and Anthem for Jersey• Jersey Overseas Aid Commission appointments and oversight. The Panel discussed question areas for its quarterly hearing with the Minister for External Relations scheduled to take place at 1:30pm on Thursday 6 th March 2025. The Panel agreed to include: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2025 Priorities• Intellectual Property Framework Reform• International Tax:<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Historical Tax Arrangements	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Assistance in collection of UK Tax debts ○ Exchange of Tax Information - Regulations • Ministerial visits and guests to the Island • Sanctions & Asset Freezing (implementation of Existing Sanctions, Director Disqualification) Amendments • Relationships with Brittany, Normandy and Guernsey, including the ferry service procurement. <p>The Panel was informed that draft question plans would be circulated in due course.</p> <p>The Panel noted and discussed a draft question plan for the quarterly hearing with the Minister for Sustainable Economic Development scheduled to take place at 1:30pm on Thursday 20th February 2025. The Panel agreed amended questions and requested that Officers make the necessary adjustments.</p> <p>Cognisant of the time limits for questioning within public hearings, the Panel agreed that a letter with more detailed questioning on the Draft Harbours (Inshore Safety) (Jersey) Amendment Regulations 202-. [P.3/2025] and Draft Shipping (Jersey) Amendment Law 202- [P.4/2025] should be sent to the Minister for Sustainable Economic Development.</p>	<p>PL/RS</p> <p>PL</p> <p>PL</p>
<p>5. Legislative programme</p> <p>The Panel discussed anticipated legislative debates and agreed that draft letters should be sent to the Minister for External Relations and the Minister for Sustainable Economic Development requesting an update on their legislative programmes for 2025.</p>	<p>RS</p>
<p>6. R.16/2025 - The Extension of the UK-Iraq Partnership and Cooperation Agreement</p> <p>The Panel noted and discussed 'The Extension of the UK-Iraq Partnership and Cooperation Agreement [R.16/2025]'. The Panel agreed that no further action was required at that stage.</p>	
<p>7. Future Meetings</p> <p>The Panel noted that the next scheduled meeting would take place at 11:30am on Thursday 20th February 2025 in the Blampied Room of the States Building.</p>	

Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 20th February 2025

Present	Deputy Montfort Tadier, Chair Deputy Karen Wilson, Vice-Chair Deputy Max Andrews (apologies Items 7 and 8)
Apologies	Deputy Geoff Southern
In attendance	Item 6 only Deputy Kirsten Morel, Minister for Sustainable Economic Development Richard Corrigan, Chief Officer, Department for the Economy Heath Harvey, Head of Local Economy, Department for the Economy Thomas Brackenbury, Sector Lead, Aviation and Maritime, Department for the Economy Peter Lamy, Committee and Panel Officer Sarah Hopkins, Communications Officer

Agenda matter	Action
1. Records of meetings The Panel noted and approved the minutes of Panel meetings held on 13 th February 2025.	
2. Shipping and Harbour (Inshore Safety) Laws The Panel discussed the propositions 'Draft Harbours (Inshore Safety) (Jersey) Amendment Regulations 202- [P.3/2025] ' and 'Draft Shipping (Jersey) Amendment Law 202- [P.4/2025] ' noting that questions were included within the public hearing scheduled to take place that day and that a letter had been drafted to the Minister for Sustainable Economic Development on the topic. The Panel agreed that further consideration of this legislation would be given in due course, noting that it was anticipated that debate of the principles would be held at the States Assembly meeting of the 18 th March 2025.	
3. Acceptance of Cash Payments Review The Panel discussed its Acceptance of Cash Payment Review (the Review), following the presentation of its findings and recommendations [S.R.1/2025] . The Panel agreed that the Review had been successful in achieving its objectives, and had received good engagement from members of the public and stakeholders. The Panel noted that the initial timeframe for presentation of its report had not been achieved following the invitation of further evidence from various stakeholders, agreeing that this was acceptable given the significant amount of work undertaken. The Panel agreed that the Review had proven useful in exploring and highlighting the public interest in the topic, as well as in provoking wider consideration by stakeholders. The Panel noted that the Ministerial Response was due to be returned in March 2025 and agreed that consideration of further actions would be given following this.	PL

<p>4. Work Programme</p> <p>Noting that responses to letters requesting information of the updated legislative programme from the Minister for Sustainable Economic Development and the Minister for External Relations were due no earlier than Monday 24th February 2025, the Panel agreed that discussion of its work programme would be deferred to a future meeting.</p>	<p>PL</p>
<p>5. Quarterly Hearing Question Plan</p> <p>The Panel discussed its question plan for the upcoming quarterly public hearing with the Minister for Sustainable Economic Development (the Minister), due to take place that day. The Panel divided up question plan areas and agreed the plan as drafted.</p> <p>The Chair highlighted that he was a Jersey Registered Tour Guide and Member of the JTGA (Jersey Tourist Guide Association) as identified in published Declaration of Interests. The Panel agreed that this did not constitute a conflict of interest and that the Chair could be involved with questioning of the Minister on topics relating to the hospitality industry, heritage, arts or culture.</p> <p>The Panel noted drafted question plans for the hearings with the Minister for International Development scheduled to take place at 3pm on Thursday 27th February 2025 and the Minister for External Relations scheduled to take place at 1.30pm on Thursday 6th March 2025. The Panel, cognisant of time constraints of the meeting, agreed that these would be reviewed electronically and any areas for alteration would be raised with the Officer.</p>	<p>PL</p>
<p>6. Quarterly Public Hearing with the Minister for Sustainable Economic Development</p> <p>The Panel welcomed the Minister for Sustainable Economic Development, and Officers, to a Quarterly Public Hearing. The proceedings were streamed live to the public and a recording was taken so that a written transcript could be produced.</p>	
<p>7. Post Hearing Discussion</p> <p>The Panel discussed the Quarterly Public Hearing with the Minister and agreed that social media posts would be published outlining discussion, with potential draft and topics to be agreed by the Chair in due course.</p> <p>The Panel, noting that time constraints had impacted areas of questioning during the hearing, agreed that a supplementary public hearing should be established with the Minister to discuss the provision of ferry services.</p> <p>The Panel, cognisant of the discussions held during the hearing on the topic of the renovations of the Jersey Opera House, agreed that it would be beneficial to receive the views of the Jersey Opera House Board in order to inform consideration of any further actions by the Panel. Accordingly the Panel requested the Officer to undertake enquiries to ascertain the Board's willingness to attend upon it.</p>	<p>SH</p> <p>PL</p> <p>PL</p>
<p>8. Future Meetings</p> <p>The Panel noted that the next scheduled meeting would take place at 2:30pm on Thursday 27th February 2025 in the Blampied Room of the States Building.</p>	

Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Meeting held by electronic mail

Date: 21st February 2025

Present	Deputy Montfort Tadier, Chair Deputy Karen Wilson, Vice-Chair Deputy Geoff Southern Deputy Max Andrews
In attendance	Peter Lamy, Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
1. Ferry Service Provision The Panel agreed that a public hearing with the Minister for Sustainable Economic Development should be established to question the topic of Ferry Service Provision and requested the Officer to make the necessary arrangements.	PL

Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 27th February 2025

Present	Deputy Montfort Tadier, Chair Deputy Max Andrews
Apologies	Deputy Karen Wilson, Vice-Chair Deputy Geoff Southern
In attendance	Item 2 only Deputy Carolyn Labey, Minister for International Development Gillian Challinor, Senior Programme Officer, Jersey Overseas Aid Commission Freya Roberts, Administration and Research Officer, Government of Jersey Peter Lamy, Committee and Panel Officer Rosalyn Sharp, Research and Project Officer Sarah Hopkins, Communications Officer

Agenda matter	Action
1. Quarterly Hearing Question Plan The Panel discussed its question plan for the upcoming quarterly public hearing with the Minister for International Development (the Minister), due to take place that day. The Panel divided up question plan areas and agreed the plan as drafted.	
2. Quarterly Public Hearing with the Minister for International Development The Panel welcomed the Minister and Officers to a quarterly public hearing. The proceedings were streamed live to the public and a recording was taken so that a written transcript could be produced.	
3. Post Hearing Discussion The Panel discussed the quarterly public hearing with the Minister and agreed that social media posts would be published outlining discussion of the impact of aid removal from other jurisdictions, aid to those faced by ongoing conflict, and the national day and anthem for Jersey. The Panel agreed that a letter with questions not asked due to time constraints would be sent to the Minister.	SH RS/PL

Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 6th March 2025

Present	Deputy Montfort Tadier, Chair Deputy Karen Wilson, Vice-Chair [Apologies Item 1] Deputy Max Andrews [Apologies Item 5]
Apologies	Deputy Geoff Southern
In attendance	Item 4 only Deputy Ian Gorst, Minister for External Relations Deputy Elaine Millar, Assistant Minister for External Relations Deputy Moz Scott, Assistant Minister for External Relations Thomas Holvey, Chief Economic Adviser, Department for the Economy Kate Nutt, Chief Officer, External Relations Tom Le Feuvre, Director, External Relations Helen De La Cour, Director - Financial Services, Department for the Economy Niamh Moylan, Director - International tax, Department for External Relations Peter Lamy, Committee and Panel Officer Rosalyn Sharp, Research and Project Officer Sarah Hopkins, Communications Officer

Agenda matter	Action
1. Records of meetings	
The Panel noted and approved the minutes of the meeting held on 20 th February 2025.	
2. Work Programme	
<p>The Panel noted and discussed its work programme, as well as supplementary documents tracking legislative programmes under the Panel's remit. The Panel also noted correspondence received from the Minister for External Relations on 28th February 2025 and Minister for Sustainable Economic Development on 27th February 2025, regarding their respective legislative programme timelines.</p> <p>The Panel discussed upcoming legislation and agreed that questioning would be added to relevant quarterly hearings and further actions, such as requesting draft legislation or briefings prior to lodging, would be considered in due course.</p> <p>The Panel requested that a briefing paper be prepared on the Bank Recovery and Resolution and Depositors Compensation, agreeing that consideration would be given as to whether this would be a topic for review.</p> <p>The Panel noted that the Draft Harbours (Inshore Safety) (Jersey) Amendment Regulations 202- [P.3/2025] was scheduled for debate on 8th July 2025 and agreed that further consideration would be given as to whether this would be a topic for review.</p>	PL

<p>The Panel agreed that a briefing from Government of Jersey Officers on lending (Consumer Protection Regime) (Consumer credit primary legislation) would be useful and requested that officers make the necessary arrangements.</p> <p>The Panel noted that it was due to receive draft comments for its consideration imminently on the Draft Shipping (Jersey) Amendment Law 202- [P.4/2025] and National Day for Jersey [P.6/2025] and agreed that any alterations would be provided electronically prior to approval.</p> <p>The Panel agreed that further discussion of its work programme, including areas of policy or public interest for review, would be undertaken at a future meeting.</p>	PL
<p>3. Quarterly Hearing Question Plan</p> <p>The Panel discussed its question plan for the upcoming quarterly public hearing with the Minister for External Relations, due to take place that day. The Panel divided up question plan areas and agreed the plan as drafted.</p>	
<p>4. Quarterly Public Hearing with the Minister for Sustainable Economic Development</p> <p>The Panel welcomed the Minister for External Relations, Assistant Ministers for External Relations and Officers to a quarterly public hearing. The proceedings were streamed live to the public and a recording was taken so that a written transcript could be produced.</p>	
<p>5. Post Hearing Discussion</p> <p>The Panel discussed the quarterly public hearing with the Minister and agreed that social media posts would be published outlining discussion on sanctions and asset freezing, international conflicts and relationships with France and Guernsey.</p>	PL/SH
<p>6. Future Meetings</p> <p>The Panel noted that the next scheduled meeting would take place at 10am on Thursday 13th March 2025 in the Le Capelain Room of the States Building.</p>	

Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Meeting held by electronic mail

Date: 10th March 2025

Present	Deputy Montfort Tadier, Chair Deputy Karen Wilson, Vice-Chair Deputy Geoff Southern Deputy Max Andrews
In attendance	Peter Lamy, Committee and Panel Officer Rosalyn Sharp, Research and Project Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p>1. Jersey Overseas Aid Commission: re-appointment of non-States Commissioner</p> <p>The Panel noted the proposition ‘Jersey Overseas Aid Commission: re-appointment of non-States Commissioner’ [P.18/2025] and agreed that a letter should be sent to the Minister for International Development to ascertain:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• if an open recruitment was carried out prior to P.18/2025, and if not why not• confirmation of whether a vice-chair has been appointed to the Jersey Overseas Aid Commission• what succession planning would be undertaken, noting two of the non-States Commissioners would reach a 9 year term at the end of their tenure; and• why no specific date for expiration of the reappointment was included within P.18/205, simply proposing to April 2028 and whether this would be amended.	PL

Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 13th March 2025

Present	Deputy Montfort Tadier, Chair Deputy Karen Wilson, Vice-Chair (apologies item 6) Deputy Max Andrews Deputy Geoff Southern (apologies item 6)
Apologies	
In attendance	<p>Item 5 only Deputy Kirsten Morel, Minister for Sustainable Economic Development Mr. R. Corrigan, Chief Officer, Department for the Economy Mr. T. Brackenbury, Sector Lead for Aviation and Maritime, Department for the Economy</p> <p>Item 6 only Dave Chalk, Chairman, Jersey Opera House Ltd. Laura Robertson, Non-Executive Director, Jersey Opera House Ltd. Andy Eagle, Interim Director, Jersey Opera House Ltd.</p> <p>Peter Lamy, Committee and Panel Officer Rosalyn Sharp, Research and Project Officer Sarah Hopkins, Communications Officer</p>

Agenda matter	Action
<p>1. Records of Meetings</p> <p>The Panel approved the records of its meeting held on the 27th February 2025.</p>	
<p>2. A National Day for Jersey</p> <p>The Panel noted and discussed a draft Comments Paper regarding the proposition 'A National Day for Jersey' (P.6/2025). The Panel also noted the Amendment (P.6/2025 Amd.) that had been lodged by the Chair, Deputy Montfort Tadier, in an independent capacity and agreed that the Vice Chair, Deputy Karen Wilson, would act on the Panel's behalf as primary respondent to the main proposition. Subject to a number of changes to the draft Comments Paper the Panel requested that this be forwarded for presentation to the Assembly.</p>	PL
<p>3. Draft Shipping (Jersey) Amendment Law 202-</p> <p>The Panel noted and discussed a draft Comments Paper regarding the draft Shipping (Jersey) Amendment Law 202- (P.4/2025). The Panel agreed a number of changes and requested this be forwarded for presentation to the Assembly.</p>	PL
<p>4. Quarterly Hearing Question Plan</p> <p>The Panel discussed its question plan for the upcoming public hearing with the Minister for Economic and Sustainable Development on the Ferry Service due to take place that day. The Panel divided up question plan areas and agreed the plan as drafted.</p>	

<p>5. Public Hearing with the Minister for Economic and Sustainable Development</p> <p>The Panel welcomed the Minister and Officers to a public hearing to discuss the Ferry Service. The proceedings were streamed live to the public and a recording was taken so that a written transcript could be produced.</p>	
<p>6. Opera House</p> <p>The Panel welcomed representatives from the Jersey Opera House Ltd. to discuss renovations of the Jersey Opera House.</p> <p>A private, detailed file note was made of the briefing, classified as exempt in accordance with Articles 33 and 35 of the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011.</p>	
<p>7. Future Meetings</p> <p>It was noted that the Panel's next scheduled meeting would take place at 11am on Thursday 27th March in the Blampied Room, States Building.</p>	

Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 28th March 2025

Present	Deputy Montfort Tadier, Chair Deputy Karen Wilson, Vice-Chair Deputy Max Andrews
Apologies	Deputy Geoff Southern
In attendance	Thomas Holvey, Chief Economic Adviser, Department for the Economy Toby Gladwin, Economic Programmes Manager, Department for the Economy Peter Lamy, Committee and Panel Officer

Agenda matter	Action
<p>1. Better Business Support Package</p> <p>The Panel welcomed Government of Jersey Officers who briefed it on the Better Business Support Package (BBSP).</p> <p>The Panel was informed that the BBSP aimed to support business and charities through the transition to a living wage with a £20 million package of measures as agreed in the Budget (Government Plan) 2025 to 2028.</p> <p>The Panel was advised that a total of £4.3million in grants would be available to help employers boost productivity and skills, alongside £1m set aside for development of businesses in the visitor economy sector. This would be administered through a delivery partner, Jersey Business, which had published and promoted further information on the BBSP. Application criteria for those applying for any grants would be imposed, including business registration, employment numbers, any outstanding tax contributions and time of operation.</p> <p>It was indicated to the Panel that any grant applications would need to demonstrate measurable benefit to one or more factors of productivity: input costs; process efficiency; output and revenue and that the grants would only match up to 50% of the input of the business itself.</p> <p>The Panel was informed that, in addition to the £5.3m available via the Jersey Business portal, the support package also would also include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• £2m via Visit Jersey for marketing initiatives• £1m through Ports of Jersey for route development• £300,000 in employee support• £1.1m assistance for the rural and marine sector <p>The Panel agreed that further consideration of the topic would be given in due course. A private, detailed file note was made of the briefing, classified as exempt in accordance with Articles 33 and 35 of the Freedom of Information (Jersey) Law 2011.</p>	<p>PL</p>

Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Record of Meeting

Date: 10th April 2025

Present	Deputy Montfort Tadier, Chair Deputy Karen Wilson, Vice Chair Deputy Max Andrews
	Deputy Geoff Southern
In attendance	Peter Lamy, Committee and Panel Officer Rosalyn Sharp, Research and Project Officer Sarah Hopkins, Communications Officer

Agenda matter	Action
1. Records of Meetings The Panel approved the records of its meeting held on 27 th March 2025.	RS
2. Acceptance of Cash Payments Review The Panel noted and discussed the Ministerial Response to its report following the Acceptance of Cash Payments Review [S.R.1/2025 Res.]. Following consideration, the Panel agreed that the Minister for Sustainable Economic Development and Minister for External Relations should be requested to meet with it in order to gain further explanation of the reasoning behind responses to the Panel's recommendations.	PL
3. Better Business Support Package The Panel discussed the Better Business Support Package following its briefing on the topic of 28 th March 2024. The Panel agreed that a letter should be sent to the Minister for Sustainable Economic Development to request information on what support would be offered to businesses operating for under 6 months, and for single employee businesses who would seek to gain staff in the future. The Panel agreed that it would be beneficial to have a greater understanding on other support available to businesses and requested that a briefing paper be formed on the topic.	PL PL
4. Cost of Living The Panel recalled that it had discussed the Cost of Living at its meeting of 27 th April 2025 and had agreed that a draft scoping document and draft terms of reference be prepared at that time. Upon consideration the Panel agreed that, prior to progressing a review on the topic, a letter should be sent to the Cost of Living Strategy Group requesting an outline of the work it had undertaken since its establishment and requesting it to meet with the Panel in due course.	PL
5. Jersey Opera House The Panel discussed the Jersey Opera House noting recent media articles reporting the resignation of the Interim Director of the Jersey Opera House Limited (JOH). Recalling that representatives of JOH had attended upon the Panel at its meeting of	

the 13 th March 2025, the Panel agreed that the Interim Director should be invited to meet with the Panel in order to gain understanding of the future operations of the opera house.	PL
6. Control of Housing and Work Law The Panel discussed the Control of Housing and Work (Jersey) Law 2012 and agreed that it would be beneficial to gain a greater understanding of its impact upon the Economy. The Panel requested that a briefing paper be drafted to outline background on the topic in order to identify any further actions for consideration.	PL
7. Draft Public Records (Jersey) Amendment Law 202- The Panel noted the draft Public Records (Jersey) Amendment Law 202- forwarded in confidence by the Minister for Sustainable Economic Development. The Panel agreed that questions on the legislation would be prepared and considered in due course.	PL
8. Ferry Service Provision The Panel discussed the provision of Ferry Services noting recently reported cancellations. The Panel agreed to write to the Minister for Sustainable Economic Development on the topic.	PL
9. Future Economy Programme The Panel discussed the Future Economy Programme and agreed that further consideration would be given to the topic at a future meeting. The Panel agreed that in the first instance a briefing from the Chief Economic Adviser should be organised.	PL
10. Provision of Sport The Panel discussed provision of sport in the Island noting recent reports concerning the decant of clubs from Fort Regent. The Panel agreed that a letter would be sent to the Assistant Minister for Sustainable Economic (the Assistant Minister) requesting further information. The Panel agreed that it would be useful to hold a standalone public hearing with the Assistant Minister to discuss provision of sport and requested the Officer to make the necessary arrangements. The Panel further agreed that it should undertake a short session of public engagement to gain further views on the topic to aid in the formation of questions prior to the public hearing.	PL SH
11. Correspondence The Panel noted a private letter from the Minister for External Relations outlining ministerial travel undertaken in the previous quarter. The Panel agreed that moving forward it was willing to receive the information outside of formal correspondence on a quarterly basis, and that it would be useful for this to include planned trips for the next quarter also. The Panel acknowledged the need for some trips to remain private, however requested that further explanation as to the policy of identifying which events should not be made public be sought.	PL
12. Future Meetings Considering the Easter period, the Panel agreed that it would next meet on Thursday 1 st May 2025 in the Blampied Room.	