

**POLICY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING  
ANNE FRENCH ROOM  
4<sup>th</sup> April 2017  
0915hours**

**PRESENT:**

Mr J Dent, Chairman  
Mrs N Paris  
Mr S Roberts  
Mr G McKinley  
Mr M Birmingham  
Mr L Jean  
Mr I Tugby  
Mr A Barnes

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Mr A Lewis, Interim Chief Executive  
(AL) (from 9.30)  
Mr W V Brownlees, Chief Executive  
(CE)  
Mrs S Pengilley-Price, EO to the Chief  
Executive (SP)  
Mrs K A Hatcher-Gaudion, Treasurer  
(KG)  
Mrs L Baines, Minute Secretary (LB)  
Mr A Bray, Technical Services Officer

**Apologies:** Mr M Dean, Mr A Snowdon

**In Attendance:** Lee Dawson, JLD Property Consultants Ltd for item 34.4; PwC - Mark Smith, CE & Hollie Rowe Roberts, Strategic Analysis for item 35/2017; James Lancaster, Director of AEL for item 36/2017; Martin Thornton, Law Officer & Jonathan Massam, PwC for item 39/2017; Boley Smillie, Guernsey Post for item 40/2017; AHA - Steve Williams, CE, Mark Bristow, & Angela Lodge, Accountant for item 41/2017; John Young, Planning Officer for item 43.2

**ACTION**

*0915 Mark Smith, Chief Executive, & Hollie Rowe-Roberts, Strategic Analysis joined meeting*

**35/2017**      **PwC Utilities Presentation – Anti Money Laundering in a Modern World – tabled and noted.**

*1000 Mark Smith, Chief Executive, & Hollie Rowe-Roberts, Strategic Analysis left the meeting*

**34/2017**

**Matters Arising****34.1 Committee feedback from Chairmen (B&DCC, GSC & TWG) Guernsey Representatives and Alderney Liaison Group**

**BDCC** - Nothing to report.

**GSC**

- Green waste issues;
- birds at the airport;
- skate park sound proof testing,;
- roads & traffic strategy – on-going.

**TWG**

- Mentor for Tourism Officer to assist with the Marketing Strategy.

**Transport** – meeting after P&F, Air Alderney still on-going.

**GR** – Successful week in the Guernsey States

**34.2 Swimming Pool Update****34.3 NatWest Bank Update**

*1010 PV left meeting*

**34.4 Nunnery Update**

**The Policy & Finance Committee agreed to:-**

- **Appoint Tenderer A and authorise the Chief Executive to negotiate and award the contract subject to the subsequent approval of the full States; and**
- **Approve the lease terms and authorise the Chief Executive to finalise the Agreement to Lease, and refer the matter to the States for final approval.**

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1015 Lee Dawson left meeting

**34.5 ACRE Update – see item 39/2017****34.6 GDPR Update**

1015 PV and James Lancaster, Managing Director, AEL joined meeting

**36/2017** **Aviation Fuelling at Alderney Airport** – Report from James Lancaster, Managing Director, AEL dated 28<sup>th</sup> March 2017 tabled and noted.**The Policy & Finance Committee agreed (Mr Birmingham abstained, Mr Jean against):-**

- **In order to seek relevant information on the uptake if Jet A1 fuel (Jet) by Aurigny when using the new Dornier's, and to understand the implications of non-supply of Jet; to request Alderney Electricity Ltd to continue to supply Jet through until the end of September 2017 on the understanding that the States of Alderney would underwrite the losses on the operation in that period. The cost of the underwriting to be charged to the Economic Development Fund; and**
- **To press for an early discussion with the Alderney Liaison Group with regard to the importance of both the Airport and Aurigny as economic enablers.**

PV

1105 James Lancaster left meeting

1105 VB joined meeting

1110 LB left meeting

1110 Martin Thornton, Law Officer &amp; Jonathan Massam, PwC Consultant joined via conference call

**39/2017** **ARE/FABLink - CONFIDENTIAL ITEM** – See Confidential Annexure.

1230 Martin Thornton, Law Officer &amp; Jonathan Massam, PwC Consultant left conference call

**37/2017** **Airport Rehabilitation** – Report from Economic Development Officer dated 27<sup>th</sup> March 2017 tabled and noted.**The Policy & Finance Committee agreed:-**

- **To confirm support for Option 3 (including the enhancements and the proviso not to prejudice the ability to extent to 1100m in the future); and**
- **To agree that after approval of the above works to open a dialogue with the States of Guernsey regarding the need to upgrade the Airport Terminal building to modern standards including disabled access.**

PV

**38/2017** **Medical Evacuation** – Report from Norma Paris dated 24<sup>th</sup> March 2017 tabled and noted.**The Policy and Finance Committee agreed that the Air Transport Group be tasked to discuss the situation at a political level with the Committee for Health & Social Care and bring forward recommendations for medevac arrangements that are suitable for Alderney and give due weight to the particular issues faced by Alderney.**

PV

1230 Boley Smillie joined meeting

**40/2017**      **Alderney Postal Contract Service** – tabled and noted.

1300 Boley Smillie left meeting.

1300 Meeting paused for lunch

1415 Meeting reconvened. Steve Williams, CE of AHA, Mark Bristow, AHA and Angela Lodge, Accountant joined the meeting

**41/2017**      **AHA Presentation** – Tabled and noted.

1510 Steve Williams, CE of AHA, Mark Bristow, AHA and Angela Lodge, Accountant left meeting

**42/2017**      **Chief Pleas** – Report tabled and noted.  
The Policy & Finance Committee agreed to (Mr Jean, Mr Tugby & Mr Roberts against):-

- Note the content of a written submission made to Chief Pleas at the March meeting of the States by Mr Bonnard making the case for a comprehensive wildlife protection law; and
- Forward the matter to the General Services Committee for consideration; given that the subject fell within its mandate, with the recommendation that it consult with Alderney Wildlife Trust and others as appropriate before reaching any conclusions.

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**43/2016**      **Budgetary & Financial Matters**  
**43.1 Alderney Property Tax** – Report from Strategic Financial Adviser dated 13<sup>th</sup> March 2017 tabled and noted. Mr Jean & Mr Barnes declared an interest. Noted.

The Policy & Finance Committee agreed that (Mr Jean abstained):

- The collection of a future property tax should focus on the owner rather than the occupier; and
- The States Treasurer and Strategic Financial Adviser be instructed to prepare a project plan including consultation, and to agree a timetable with the States of Guernsey for legislative amendments.

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1535 John Young, Planning Officer joined meeting

**43.2 LUP – Additional Funding** – Report from Planning Officer dated 29<sup>th</sup> March 2017 tabled and noted.

The Policy & Finance Committee approved the additional funding of £44,840 for Phase 2 of the Land Use Plan to be charged to BDCC Revenue Account.

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1545 John Young, Planning Officer left meeting

**44/2017**      **Legislation, Conventions & Policy**  
**44.1 The Regulation of Fiduciaries (Annual Returns) Regulations, 2017** – tabled and noted.

The Policy & Finance Committee agreed, subject to any views to the contrary from the Alderney Gambling Control Commission, to raise no objections to proposed changes in respect of Annual Returns being advised by the Guernsey Financial Services Commission.

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**44.2 The Al-Qaida Restrictive Measures Alderney Amendment Ordinance** - Report tabled and noted.

The Policy & Finance Committee agreed to approve the drafting of the above legislation with a view to it being laid before the States of Alderney at the earliest opportunity.

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**44.3 Beneficial Ownership Law** – Report from CE Office dated 30<sup>th</sup> March 2017 tabled and noted.

The Policy & Finance Committee agreed to recommend the States to enact the ‘Beneficial Ownership of Legal Persons (Alderney) Law, 2017’ at its April meeting, subject to confirmation from the Greffier that the proper procedures can be in place.

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**Any Other Business**

**45.1 Hansard Process**

To be discussed at the next meeting. noted.

**45.2 Registered Fire Arms Dealer** – Report tabled and noted.

The Policy and Finance Committee agreed to approve an amendment to the Dangerous Weapons legislation to make provision for one registered firearms dealer on Alderney, and that this position may be assigned to a person appointed by the Policy & Finance Committee as the States Armourer.

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**45.3 Alderney Foundation Protocol**

The Policy & Finance Committee agreed to seek the views of the Alderney Foundation with regard to establishing a mutually acceptable protocol for dealing with donations offered to the Foundation.

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**45.4 BREXIT Report & Governance Review**

The Policy & Finance Committee agreed to:

- Note that a UCL billing error had occurred which had resulted in £30,500 being incorrectly charged to the BREXIT Report when it should have been charged to the Governance Review. It was further noted that the net result was that there was no change to Alderney’s financial liabilities as there were no extra monies to be paid out or received, but concerns were recorded about the need for stricter monitoring of invoices received by project managers/ individual budget holders; and
- Approve the further resultant overspend on the Governance Review.

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**45.5 Bailiwick Regulatory Framework for Pension Schemes and their Providers**

The Policy & Finance Committee agreed to raise no objections to the proposals set out for legislation to create a regulatory framework for the legal foundation and modernisation of pension schemes and their providers and for associated changes to the Income tax Legislation.

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**45.6 States Meeting Dates**

The Policy & Finance Committee agreed to request the President to review the dates of the October and December States Meetings to avoid if possible a clash with the meetings of the States of Guernsey.

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**46/2017      Agenda Resolutions - Confirmation**

**47/2017      For Information & Noting**

**The following reports/letters were noted:-**

- Resolutions of Previous Meeting – circulated via email
- Aged Debtors Report – Confidential Item
- Management Accounts – to 28<sup>th</sup> February 2017
- Economic Development Fund

**Meeting closed: 5.00pm**

**Signed: James Dent**

**Date: 5<sup>th</sup> April 2017**