

**POLICY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING  
ANNE FRENCH ROOM  
25<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 M Dean  
Mr A Snowdon

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Mr A Lewis, Interim Chief Executive (AL)  
Mrs S Pengilley-Price, EO to the Chief Executive (SP)  
Mrs K A Hatcher-Gaudion, Treasurer (KG)  
Mrs L Baines, Minute Secretary (LB)  
Mr P Veron, Economic Development Officer

**Apologies:** Mr A Barnes

**In Attendance:** Malcolm Matthews for item 49/2017.

**ACTION**

48/2017

**Matters Arising****48.1 Committee feedback from Chairmen (B&DCC, GSC & TWG) Guernsey Representatives and Alderney Liaison Group**

**BDCC** - 2<sup>nd</sup> open meeting completed.

LUP works on-going, ARUP over 19<sup>th</sup> May.

Agreed that a Gantt chart be produced to demonstrate the activities and timeframe for changes to section 12 of the BDCC law.

**GSC** – Portacabin  
Greenwaste  
Connaught  
Conservation Law  
Nunnery

**TWG** - Visit Alderney going well  
Meeting with shop owners re leaflet  
Visit Jersey – good relationship  
Digital Marketing/Social Media  
Events diary – busy for 2017  
Defib outside VIC

**Transport** – Aurigny – trigger mechanism for additional flights, £50 contribution to economy to Alderney.

**Guernsey Representatives** – Medevac Letter – disappointing. Agreed to write to the Committees for Health & Social Care, and Employment & Social Security with regard to the importance of Medevac aircraft being based in Alderney.

**ALG** - Mechanism for swapping agenda papers with P&R to be progressed.  
Guernsey Deputies visit to Alderney 2<sup>nd</sup> June 2017.

*0940 Malcolm Matthews joined meeting*

**49/2017**      **Air Alderney Update** – Malcolm Matthews in attendance.

*0950 Malcolm Matthews left meeting*

**50/2017**      **Sea Rex Ferry** – Report from Interim Chief Executive dated 25<sup>th</sup> April 2017 tabled and noted.

**The Policy & Finance Committee agreed to refer the suggested purchase of a passenger (and potentially partial freight) ferry to the Marine Transport Working Group for consideration, with a view to it reporting back to the P&F Committee at its May meeting, with recommendations.**

**MTWG**

*1055 LB and MB left meeting*

**51/2017**      **ARE/FABLink - CONFIDENTIAL ITEM** – See Confidential Annexure.

*1115 KG left meeting*

*1130 LB joined meeting*

**52/2017**      **Code of Conduct Review** – Covering report from Interim Chief Executive, and report from Alex Snowden dated 25<sup>th</sup> April 2017 tabled and noted.

**The Policy & Finance Committee agreed for the issue to be discussed further within the Governance Committee.**

**GC**

**53/2017**      **Health Review Update** – Report from Interim Chief Executive dated 25<sup>th</sup> April 2017 tabled and noted.

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

- 1. Note progress to date following earlier States resolutions;**
- 2. Note that civil service representatives will engage with Guernsey colleagues as soon as possible to agree a detailed plan; and**
- 3. Receive an update following the detailed meeting with a headline project plan, timetable and budget implications.**

**54/2017**      **Approach to Consultancy/Terms of Reference** – Report dated 25<sup>th</sup> April 2017 tabled and noted.

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

- 1. In the interests of obtaining value-for money from consultants:**
  - All consultancies should, where practical, and unless otherwise agreed by the relevant Committee, be commissioned in accordance with the previously agreed process to demonstrate competitiveness and value for money;**
  - The Chief Executive and Treasurer to have delegated authority to agree expenditure up to £25,000 as previously agreed (Mr Snowden, Mr Dean & Mr Jean against);**
  - Every appointment should have clear Terms of Reference with agreed outcomes, and these to be available to the relevant Committee at all times.**
  - In all but exceptional cases invitations for consultancy work should be advertised in Alderney.**
  - Where voluntary on-island support was being considered, that it should still be subject to the same assessment criteria in terms of quality and performance.**

2. In the interest of good governance and transparency and in common with disclosure practices in other jurisdictions, clauses should be incorporated into consultancy agreements, in all but exceptional circumstances entitling the SoA to make public:-
- The name of the entity providing the consultancy service;
  - The total value or budget of the consultancy appointment including expenses.

This should not extend to disclosure of tender prices or day rates.

55/2017

**Budgetary, Financial & Employment Matters**

**55.1 SoA & Water Board Accounts – CONFIDENTIAL ITEM** – See Confidential Annexure

**55.2 Appointment of Trustee to the States of Alderney Pension Scheme** – Report from Treasury dated 20<sup>th</sup> April 2017 tabled and noted.

The Policy & Finance Committee agreed confirmed the appointment of Adrian Lewis as Chief Executive on an interim basis and thereby an ex-officio trustee of the States of Alderney Pension Scheme.

TREASURY

1210 KG joined meeting

56/2017

**Legislation, Conventions & Policy**

**56.1 The Customs & Excise (Relief for Home – Brewed Liquor) (Guernsey & Alderney) Order, 2017** – tabled and noted. Mr Jean left the meeting for this item due to conflict of interest.

The Policy & Finance Committee agreed to raise no objections to the proposals.

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**56.2 Regulation of Postal & Electricity Services** - Letter from Peter Ferbrache dated 13<sup>th</sup> April 2017 tabled and noted. The Committee stated that a short time frame for comments/approval appeared to be a regular expectation. Matter of response times to be raised at the next ALG meeting. Noted.

The Policy & Finance Committee agreed to raise no objections to the proposals. Any comments by members are to be made in writing to the Interim Chief Executive by 30<sup>th</sup> April 2017. It was also agreed to raise with ALG the need for sufficient advance notice to be given for requests made to Alderney for responses, other than urgent matters.

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**56.3 Article 50 & Protocol 3** – Report tabled and noted.

The Policy & Finance Committee agreed to:-

- Note that Her Majesty's Government has issued a notice under Article 50 of the Treaty on European Union.
- Note and recognise the subsequent impact this and the withdrawal of the United Kingdom from the European Union will have on the Bailiwick's domestic legislation and that the legislative and other measures that will need to be taken in consequence of the issue of the notice and withdrawal.
- Note that Alderney will continue: to represent Alderney's interests; to engage with the other islands in the Bailiwick of Guernsey, and, as appropriate, to engage with the UK as the Brexit process unfolds and negotiations begin.
- Agree that a in-house review be carried out to assess whether the opportunity should be taken to amend or repeal certain pieces of legislation, such as the Loi relative à l'acquisition de Propriété Immobilière en cette Île par des

**Étrangers ou par des Sociétés Étrangères, 1906, to assess whether these remain necessary in this day and age.**

**56.4 Hawkers Licence** – Report from Treasury dated 20<sup>th</sup> April 2017 tabled and noted. The Policy & Finance Committee agreed by majority (Mr Jean and Mr Dean against) to issue the licence subject to standard trading conditions as per other units, and to include conditions relating to trade in the Harbour and Campsite area.

**TREASURY**

**57/2017**

**Any Other Business**

**57.1 Photo Library & Publications** – Report from Interim Chief Executive dated 25<sup>th</sup> April 2017 tabled and noted.

The Policy & Finance Committee agreed for Visit Alderney to be the first point of reference for advice and image selection for States brochures and communications.

**VIC**

**57.2 Immigration Investment**

The Policy & Finance Committee agreed for a further discussion to take place with Henley & Partners regarding potentially acceptable options for the implementation of a system of immigration visas.

**57.3 The Financial Services Commission (Bailiwick of Guernsey) (Amendment) Law, 2016** – Letter from The Bailiff of Guernsey dated 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2017 tabled and noted.

The Policy & Finance Committee agreed for the item to be placed on the May Billet for States approval.

**BILLET ITEM**

**57.5 Budgetary Approval – CONFIDENTIAL ITEM** – See Confidential Annexure

**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 – March 2017
- Economic Development Fund
- Economic Development Reserve – as at 18<sup>th</sup> April 2017
- Alderney Community Sports Centre Update
- Price Paid Data
- P&F Consultancy Fees – CONFIDENTIAL ITEM

Meeting closed: 1pm

Signed: James Dent

Date: 26<sup>th</sup> April 2017