

**POLICY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING  
ANNE FRENCH ROOM  
19<sup>th</sup> December 2019  
0915 hours**

**PRESENT:**

Mr J Dent, Chairman  
Mr S Roberts  
Mr G McKinley  
Mr A Snowdon  
Mr L Jean  
Mr K Gentle  
Mr D Earl  
Ms A Burgess

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Mr A Muter, Chief Executive (CE)  
Mrs E Maurice, Acting Head of Finance  
(TREASURY)  
Mrs S Pengilly-Price, Executive Officer  
to the Chief Executive (EO);  
Mr Stephen Taylor, Strategic Financial  
Advisor (SFA)  
Mr P Veron, Strategic Adviser (SA)

Apologies: Mr Dean, Mr Harris, Mr Jean (for late arrival), Mr Roberts (for late arrival), Ms Burgess (for late arrival). Mr Tate was co-opted onto the committee until Ms Burgess arrived.  
In attendance: Mr William Tate, President.

**ACTION****85/2019****Matters Arising****85.1 Committee feedback from Chairmen (BDCC, GSC, Finance & Tourism) & Guernsey Representatives**

**BDCC** – in the absence of the Chairman it was agreed that a report would be circulated by email.

**GSC** – Current issues include Crane Meeting with Harbour Master (Ms Burgess joined the meeting); Boat was offloaded yesterday; Mainbrayce issues still to be resolved; Chairman has had continuing discussions with Gordon Owen about Marina.

**Finance** – Met on 2<sup>nd</sup> December and considered: swimming pool; discussions with Banks about business banking facilities; grants; audit fees

**Alderney Representatives in the States of Guernsey – see CONFIDENTIAL ANNEXURE**

(Mr Roberts joined the meeting)

**CTED** – Tourism and brochure and website discussed.

**85.2 External Relations**

Bailiwick Council included an offer from Economic Development to provide support. There were also discussions in regard to representation at the Cenotaph for Remembrance Sunday.

Approaches to licensing fishing rights after Brexit were considered and the final position will be kept under review.

**86/2019****Legislation, Conventions & Policy and Finance**

**86.1 Alderney Wildlife Trust Grant Application** – Report from Treasury dated 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2019 tabled and noted.

**The Policy & Finance Committee resolved unanimously to accept the recommendation of the Finance Committee to:**

- **Award a revenue grant of £16,000 to AWT and £1,000 for community woodland for 2020 in line with budget; and**

- That a Service Level Agreement is prepared for discussion with AWT in respect of the main operational grant.

**TREASURY****86.2 Alderney Ambulance Service**

**86.2.1 Grant Application** – Report from Treasury dated 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2019 tabled and noted.

**The Policy & Finance Committee resolved to note that the grant was deferred for future consideration.**

**86.2.2 Review Report** – Alderney Ambulance Service Review dated December 2019 tabled and noted.

**The Policy & Finance Committee unanimously resolved to request a meeting with Mr Webber (by video conference if necessary) as soon as possible.**

**86.3 Review of Financial relationship – Fuel & Document Duty** – Letter from Chairman of Policy & Finance to Deputy St Pier dated 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2019 tabled and noted.

**86.4 The Damages (Discount Rate & Related Matters) (Enabling Provisions) (Guernsey) Law, 2019** – Projet de Loi tabled and noted.

**The Policy & Finance Committee resolved unanimously to support the proposed Projet de Loi.**

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**86.5 Primary Health Care in Alderney** – Report from Chief Executive dated 27<sup>th</sup> November 2019 tabled and noted.

**The Policy & Finance Committee resolved (Mr Earl voted against) to:**

- Approve the terms of reference for a review to determine the target operating model of primary healthcare;
- Invite Professor Wilson to undertake the work.

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**86.6 Homecoming 2020**

Item withdrawn. The President will consider arrangements.

**86.7 CPA Workshop in Malta** – Report from Chairman of Policy & Finance Committee dated 12<sup>th</sup> December 2019 tabled and noted.

**The Policy & Finance Committee resolved to agree to fund accommodation costs in addition to travel.**

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**Transport****87.1 Air Transport Update**

A response has been received from Gavin St Pier but there is no further information on the PSO outcome which is with the Policy & Resources Committee.

There is interest in the ACI-JER route from potential operators but this is tied into the PSO decision.

**87.2 ATAG Advice** – Report from Strategic Adviser dated 13<sup>th</sup> December 2019 tabled and noted.

**The Policy & Finance Committee resolved to consider and agree a revised approach to ensuring that licensing and policy decisions about air route development are properly separated. The new approach would ensure the integrity of the licensing process whilst at the same time enabling ATAG to advise P&F on policies the States should take into consideration.**

**The Policy & Finance Committee also confirmed:**

- That the composition and mandate of ATAG should remain as is;
- ATAG's role in advising P&F on air transport matters – this to include advice at all stages of any licensing, or other processes aimed at improving our air connectivity; and
- Appointments of Mr Tate, Mr Dean, Mr Jean and Mr Roberts who do not sit on ATAG, to be the Transport Licensing Board and that these members, in order not to compromise the licensing process, agree not to take part in discussions or vote in P&F on air transport policy matters.

**88/2019****Economy & Renewable Energy**

**88.1 Alderney Tidal Energy Group Update** – Report from Director of Business Development dated 10<sup>th</sup> December 2019 tabled and noted.

**The Policy & Finance Committee resolved to:**

- Note that contact will be made with Prof Bahaj, Energy and Climate Change Division, Southampton University and provide an opportunity for him to meet with relevant SoA representatives;
- Note that contact will be made with Offshore Renewable Energy (ORE) Catapult Project; and
- Mandate TEG to monitor research in regard to any environmental and climate change impacts related to tidal energy.

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**88.2 Alderney Energy Policy** – Report from Chief Executive dated 10<sup>th</sup> December 2019, and draft Alderney Energy Policy tabled and noted.

**Policy & Finance Committee resolved to approve the changes to the draft Energy Policy and to publish the report and seek views before bringing the report to the States of Alderney for approval.**

**88.3 Archaeological Dig** – Report from Chief Executive Office dated 13<sup>th</sup> December 2019 tabled and noted.

**The Policy & Finance Committee resolved unanimously to approve funding of £10,000 for the 2020 Archaeological dig at Longis Common.**

**CE****89/2019****Any Other Business**

**The Policy & Finance Committee resolved to request that the President consider whether the start time of the January meeting could be put back to 7:00 pm.**

Ms Burgess proposes to bring a paper to P&F regarding the Homecoming Bank Holiday.

Progress updates were discussed on: iPads; Heritage Working Group; Apprenticeships; Swimming pool.

**90/2019****Agenda Resolutions – Confirmation**

**The above draft resolutions were confirmed by the Committee Members at the meeting as being a correct record of the decisions arising from the meeting.**

**91/2019****For Information & Noting****The following reports/letters were noted:-**

- Resolutions of Previous Meeting – circulated via email
- EDR Report

**92/2019      Items Scheduled for Future Meetings**

**Meeting closed:**

**Signed: James Dent**

**Date: 20<sup>th</sup> December 2019**