# POLICY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING ANNE FRENCH ROOM 24<sup>th</sup> July 2018 0915hours

PRESENT:

Mr J Dent, Chairman Mrs N Paris Mr S Roberts Mr G McKinley Mr M Dean Mr A Snowdon Mr I Tugby Mr Barnes (from 58.3)

#### IN ATTENDANCE:

Mr A Muter, Chief Executive (CE) Mrs K A Hatcher-Gaudion, States Treasurer (TREASURY) Mr C Brock, Director of Business Development (DBD) Mr Paul Veron (for Transport items)

Apologies: Mr A Barnes, Mr L Jean; Mrs S Pengilley-Price, Executive Officer to the Chief Executive (EO)

#### **ACTION**

# 56/2018 <u>Matters Arising</u> 48.1 <u>Committee feedback from Chairmen (BDCC, GSC, Finance & Tourism) & Guernsey</u> <u>Representatives</u>

**BDCC** – The Open planning meeting was held. A decision on Belle Vue was deferred pending parking details to be considered on GSC. Major projects consultation now completed.

GSC to consider ownership of wall opposite dentist.

**GSC** – No meeting since last P&F. Breakwater presentation was positive in the main. A copy of presentation has been requested by the Museum.

Finance – See Confidential Annexure.

ALG – No meeting since last P&F.

**Representatives in the States of Guernsey** - The Committee noted an update on matters to be discussed in the Guernsey States including the debate on a quasi-open skies policy which was agreed. Mr Roberts made his maiden speech and made some good contacts in Guernsey. Proposals are being developed for a requirement for Bailiwick-wide legislation to take into account the impact on Alderney. A date for the next ALG needs to be requested and a letter will be sent to the ALG chairman regarding impact on Alderney for all SoG matters.

**Education**: It was reported by Mr Snowdon that OFSTED will be inspecting the school in the future.

**External Relations:** Review of the 1948 Agreement. The Policy and Resources Committee is clearly concerned with the financial impact but the economic and social impact should also be considered. The States of Alderney would advocate an independent chair and UK involvement. Brexit is still fluid in the UK with the potential that we may have difficulty in accessing local French ports and there are remaining

issues around fishing including landing fish in France. The ability to annul legislation that we don't want to apply to us is important in relation to the Brexit legislation.

# 57/2018 Transport

#### 57.1 Air Transport Update

The Airport Runway Rehabilitation Board has agreed the Outline Business Case and will be forwarded to the SCIP gateway and then to the States of Guernsey. Colin le Ray will be in Alderney for the temporary repairs in August and would be able to update P&F at the same time. These are essential repairs prior to be carried out prior to the full rehabilitation project with a longstop 2021 completion.

The PSO process is moving forward with input from the ATAG, including on Medevac issues. Timetable will build in an October start (as well as earlier if the incumbent operator is successful). Service levels have been provided. Andrew Haining may be coming to Alderney for a meeting in September.

No update information on Waves. Air Alderney hoping to have an AOC by November or December.

**57.2** <u>Ferry Update</u> – Report from Chief Executive dated 18<sup>th</sup> July 2018 tabled and noted. The Policy & Finance Committee noted the report and welcomed the positive start to the ferry service.

## 58/2018 Legislation, Conventions & Policy

**58.1** <u>Review of the 1948 Agreement</u> – Report from James Dent dated 16<sup>th</sup> July 2018 tabled and noted.

The Policy & Finance Committee resolved to welcome a review of the 1948 Agreement and requests its Chairman to convey this officially to the President of the States of Guernsey Policy & Resources Committee. The Policy & Finance Committee would require that the Review be:

- Chaired by a respected independent person, requested from the UK
- Begin with a review of previous work
- Charged with making recommendations that are in both our islands economic, financial, social and environmental interests and should be balanced in regards to the needs and aspirations of both our communities in these matters; and
- Wherever practical, be evidence based.

**58.2** <u>Organ Donation Consultation</u> – Report from Chief Executive dated 16<sup>th</sup> July 2018 tabled and noted.

The Policy & Finance Committee resolved to consider and note the outcome of the consultation.

**58.3** <u>Partnership Law Update</u> – Report from Chief Executive dated 18<sup>th</sup> July 2018 tabled and noted.

The Policy & Finance Committee resolved to note the proposed consultation and progress.

# 59/2018 <u>Economy & Renewable Energy</u> 59.1 <u>ACRE Update</u>

**59.2** <u>Tourism & Marketing Committee</u> – Report from Alex Snowdon dated 17<sup>th</sup> July 2018 tabled and noted.

The Policy & Finance Committee agreed to establish a five person Action Group on Economic Development and Tourism which should develop a mandate for its future role for agreement by the Policy & Finance Committee. (Membership to be two States Members, Mr Brock, Director of Business Development, and a representative from the Chamber of Commerce and Visit Alderney).

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Mr Snowdon left the meeting during this item.

It was agreed that the civil service should produce a list of venues and contacts so that it was clear who event organisers should be approaching about venue hire.

**59.3** <u>Relationships between States Members and Civil Servants</u> – Report from Alex Snowdon dated 17<sup>th</sup> July 2018 tabled and noted. The Policy & Finance Committee agreed by a majority to scrap the resolution (Mr

The Policy & Finance Committee agreed, by a majority, to scrap the resolution (Mr Roberts, Mr Dean and Mr McKinley voted to defer the matter).

# 60/2018 Any Other Business

#### 60.1 <u>Medevac</u>

It was agreed to write to Heidi Soulsby as President of HSC to raise the issues of concern.

Other Matters raised under Any Other Business included:

- Clash between meetings of the States of Alderney and States of Guernsey in December – It was resolved that the President will be formally asked to move the States meeting.
- The intention to have a September debate without resolution in the States of Alderney about Airport matters.

61/2018 <u>Agenda Resolutions – Confirmation</u> The above draft resolutions were confirmed by the Committee Members by email following the meeting as being a correct record of the decisions arising from the meeting.

## 62/2018 For Information & Noting

## The following reports/letters were noted:-

- Resolutions of Previous Meeting circulated via email
- EDR Summary
- Management Accounts June 2018
- AHA Annually Updated Business Plan

## 63/2018 Items Scheduled for Future Meetings

- Nunnery Review
- Communications Engagement & Media Policy
- Fuel Prices

Meeting closed: 12.30pm

Signed: James Dent

Date: 25<sup>th</sup> July 2018