

**POLICY AND FINANCE COMMITTEE MEETING**  
**ANNE FRENCH ROOM**  
**11<sup>th</sup> December 2018**  
**1415 hours**

**PRESENT:**

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

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Mr A Muter, Chief Executive (CE)  
 Mrs K Hatcher-Gaudion (TREASURY)  
 Mrs S Pengilly-Price, Executive Officer  
 to the Chief Executive (EO);  
 Mr C Brock, Director of Business  
 Development

**For specific items:**

Mr Andrew Warren, Director of  
 Education  
 Mr Martin Winward, Head Teacher, St  
 Anne's School  
 Mr Bruno Kay-Mouat, Alderney  
 Shipping

**Apologies:** None received

**ACTION****Education Update**

Martin Winward and Andrew Warren attended to update members on education matters which included: The Transformation of Education programme & organisation of secondary education into a single school on two sites. It was noted that Alderney students travel to Guernsey for sixth form education and there will be sixth forms on both sites. The remainder of post 16 – FE and Health and Social care studies and Guernsey Training Agency – will all become a single institution. **Noted.**

Apprenticeships – provision on island in Alderney and also accommodation in Guernsey is being considered. Also a revision of the Bailiwick Education law is being prepared to deal with governance and decision-making, special educational needs, and private schools. Devolved responsibility will be via governing bodies (rather than committees). The Governing body in Alderney may look different to the current provision.

A new curriculum is being developed around skills, attitudes and values with more uniformity around knowledge content. The Inspection regime is changing from Education Scotland – discussions are taking place with OFSTED about a negotiated framework. Also Special Educational Needs provision is being reviewed.

St Anne's School – a question was asked about whether staffing is currently in the right place. It was advised that a new permanent Maths teacher is to start in January 2019. Appointment processes are being planned in advance. A PE Teacher position will be filled permanently by next September. Digital learning is being explored to access new teaching expertise. **Noted.**

**104/2018****Matters Arising****96.1 Committee feedback from Chairmen (BDCC, GSC, Finance & Tourism) & Guernsey Representatives**

**BDCC** – an open Planning Meeting and Policy Meeting had taken place. Further information on a crop growing application had resulted in a deferral.

**GSC** – meeting today covered the freight contract, Connaught extension, Nunnery inspection, Butes car park and an interim report on the Old Connaught & Fire Station premises.

**Finance** – met to discuss the swimming pool and now awaiting results of core sample testing.

**Representatives in the States of Guernsey** - The Committee noted an update on matters, including: 29 items on the agenda for tomorrow's meeting including Aurigny's new ATR's, air and sea route policy, and Double Taxation. The Chairman drew attention to the importance of the air and sea route policy. **Noted.**

**96.2 External Relations**

The Bailiwick Council meeting discussed the Ecclesiastical Court, Brexit, & Territorial Waters.

**105/2018****Transport**

**105.1 Ferry Update** – Report from Strategic Financial Adviser dated 5<sup>th</sup> December 2018 tabled and noted.

Bruno Kay-Mouat attended to update Members. Fine weather and novelty in 2018 made it a successful trial with strong community support. The vessel is in the Isle of Wight and they are looking at a bigger vessel (up to 30 seats).

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

- **Note the current position in relation to financial performance of the Little Ferry and that Mr Kay-Mouat was asked to return with proposals for 2019; and**
- **Request a further detailed report on the Little Ferry Company once the outstanding information is received and noted that this should be available for the January meeting.**

SFA

**105.2 Air Links Update**

Tendering for PSO closed Friday – no information released yet during evaluation.

**106/2018****Legislation, Conventions & Policy and Finance**

**106.1 Statutory Protection for the Publication of the Official Report (Hansard)** -

Report from Chief Executive's Office dated 27<sup>th</sup> November 2018 tabled and noted.

**The Policy & Finance Committee resolved unanimously to approve that the Law Officers be consulted with regards drafting appropriate legislation to protect any person responsible for publishing the Official Report against defamation proceedings.**

EO

**106.2 Superfast Broadband Initiative** – Report from Director of Business Development dated 27<sup>th</sup> November 2018 tabled and noted.

**The Policy & Finance Committee agreed unanimously to note that the funds already allocated in 2018/2019 totalling £200k will now cover potential third party technical**

**costs and other necessary expenditure associated with the initial rollout of projects associated with the Initiative. Any further funding required during the latter part of 2019/early 2020 will be placed before the Committee for approval at this stage.**

**DoBD**

**106.3 Regulation of Health & Social Care Policy Letter – For Ratification** – Policy Letter and Legislation circulated by email on 30<sup>th</sup> November 2018.

**The Policy & Finance Committee ratified the decision that there were no further comments regarding the draft Policy Letter.**

**CE OFFICE**

**106.4 Guernsey & Alderney Register of Contact Details** - Report from Head of Data & Analysis, Policy & Resources dated 26<sup>th</sup> November 2018 tabled and considered.

**The Policy & Finance Committee noted the draft Law, and agreed unanimously for any comments to be sent to Helen Walton by 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018.**

**EO**

**106.5 Establishing a Development Company** – Report from Chief Executive dated 27<sup>th</sup> November 2018 tabled and noted.

**The Policy & Finance Committee recommends that the CEO (Mr Snowden, Mr Jean, Mr Roberts, Mr Dean against; Mr Dent exercised his casting vote as Chairman) undertakes to develop a business case for the establishment of a Development Company and/or other options.**

**CE**

**106.6 Commissioners' Remuneration & Allowances - AGCC** – Report from Chief Executive's Office dated 27<sup>th</sup> November 2018 tabled and noted.

**The Policy & Finance Committee resolved unanimously not to approve the 20% increase in the remuneration as stated in the attached letter, with effect from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2019 and asked for the AGCC to meet with the Committee as to the necessity of the increase.**

**EO**

**106.7 CONFIDENTIAL ITEM – Territorial Seas – See Confidential Annexure**

**107/2018**

**Economy & Renewable Energy**

**107.1 Tidal Energy Group - Information Provision** – Report from the Chief Executive's Office dated 27<sup>th</sup> November 2018 tabled and considered.

**The Policy & Finance Committee resolved to agree to provide to the members of ATEG confidential reports, including those relating to FAB, to accompany the historical summary of tidal energy development on the basis that those documents continue to be confidential and that non-states members of ATEG are asked to sign a Non-Disclosure Agreement.**

**EO**

**108/2018**

**Any Other Business**

**108.1 Guernsey Welfare**

Consideration was given to the need for charitable help for hard-pressed families. The Chief Executive will discreetly enquire with the Salvation Army, the School, Age Concern, AHA etc.

**CEO**

**108.2 Board Positions**

Letter from Mr Birmingham received.  
Policy and Finance Committee decided that a decision on nominations would be made at the January meetings.

**Electricity Supply**

Norma Paris raised a letter regarding an electricity supply failure at Fort Clonque which cannot be repaired until March.

Dr Sally Simmons has forwarded some points on health care for all Members. **Noted.**

Thanks were expressed to Norma Paris, Matt Birmingham and Ian Tugby for their service to the Committee.

**109/2018**

**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.**

**110/2018**

**For Information & Noting**

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

- **Resolutions of Previous Meeting – circulated via email**
- **EDR Summary**
- **Management Accounts**
- **SoG Media Release – Passport Expiry Dates re Brexit**
- **Letter to Mark Darby re Connections & Through Ticketing**

**111/2018**

**Items Scheduled for Future Meetings**

**Meeting closed: 5.25pm**

**Signed: James Dent**

**Date: 12<sup>th</sup> December 2018**