



Economic Development Committee (EDC) Minutes

Date: 13 January 2020

Venue: Council Chamber

Time: 9.00 am

Present:

Chairman	Hon Lawson Henry
Deputy Chairman	Hon Cruyff Buckley
Members:	Hon Clint Beard
	Hon Gavin Ellick
	Hon Ms Christine Scipio
	Hon Financial Secretary, Mr Dax Richards
	Deputy Financial Secretary, Mr Nicholas Yon
	Chief Economist, Mrs Nicole Shamier
	Director of Enterprise, Mr Robert Midwinter

Secretary: Miss Anita Legg

Apologies: Member: Acting Director ENRPD, Mr Darren Duncan

In Attendance: Senior Economist, Ms Amanda Curry Brown

OPEN SESSION

33.1 Welcome and Apologies

The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting. Apologies were received from the Acting Director ENRPD who was attending another meeting.

33.2 Declaration of Personal Interest

No personal interests were declared.

33.3 Confirmation of Open Minutes held on 26 September and 7 November 2019

The minutes of the open meeting held on 26th September and 7th November 2019 were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.

33.4 Matters Arising

33.4.1 Draft Investment Prospectus 2019-20

The Deputy Financial Secretary was still to circulate the Estates Strategy Panel Policy.

Action: Deputy Financial Secretary

It was noted the strategic assets had been presented to Executive Council. The price for Bertrands Cottage had not yet been agreed thus it was suggested it be set soon and included. ESH had been through the first round of potential investors and a paper would shortly be presented to ExCo in relation to the sale of a listed property.

33.4.2 ESH updates

Jamestown Water Fountain – It was noted this was a drinking fountain rather than the spouting type but due to health and safety issues would not be used as such.

Marketing and Communications – The Secretary to follow-up with the Director of Tourism to resurrect quarterly reports to EDC.

Action: Secretary

33.4.3 Draft Fisheries Management Policy Statement and Draft Fishing Licensing Policy

This matter was still outstanding.

Action: Acting Director of ENRP

33.4.4 Farmers Association

This matter to be followed-up with the Acting Director of ENRP, as it had been agreed previously he should contact Mr Trevor Crowie to check whether he needed assistance in taking the Farmer's Association forward, also to visit farmers on a one to one basis to assist with any issues such as water leakages.

Action: Acting Director of ENRP

33.4.5 Port Regulations

It was reported Mia Henry has recently been appointed as the Maritime Compliance Policy Officer, to support and pull together the different policies, but also with reliance on the Attorney General's Chambers.

Action: Deputy Financial Secretary

33.4.6 Maps

The DoE advised GIS had requested additional funding however this project would need to be completed by 31st March 2020.

Action: Director of Enterprise

Post Meeting Note:

Mr Derek Henry later updated EDC on the new Ordinance Survey style map for St Helena – “The replacement for the current OS map is finally nearing completion. The last map was produced in 1990 and the island has undergone many changes since, including airport development.

We anticipate that a draft will be received on 20th January from our UK producer. We would like to follow this with a three week consultation period (including with Elected Members) and aim

to present a final draft to Executive Council on 25th February for approval, with a view to having the final electronic map on Island in March for printing. For information, the Customer Services Centre at the Post office sells about 300 maps per year, mostly to tourists.

There being no further business, this session of the Agenda was concluded and the Committee moved to closed session.

Minutes Approved: L. Adley

Chairman

Date: 27-02-20

