

PRIVILEGES AND PROCEDURES COMMITTEE

(29th Meeting)

17th November 2004PART A

(Business conducted by telephone)

All members were present, with the exception of Deputy P.N. Troy and Deputy J-A. Bridge, from whom apologies had been received.

Deputy R.G. Le Hérisier
 Senator P.V.F. Le Claire
 Connétable D.F. Gray
 Deputy C.J. Scott-Warren
 Deputy J.A. Bernstein

In attendance -

I. Clarkson, Committee Clerk

Note: The Minutes of this meeting comprise Part A only.

Shadow Scrutiny:
 allocation of
 funding for
 consultation.
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A1. The Committee, with reference to its Act No. A3 of 4th November 2004, recalled that it had decided to require the Shadow Scrutiny Panel chaired by Senator E.P. Vibert to submit a formal request, supported by an appropriate business case, before it would be prepared to consider sanctioning further expenditure by the Panel chaired by Senator E.P. Vibert in the current financial year.

Clerk
 Scrutiny
 A.G.O.S.
Encl.

The Committee received correspondence, dated 12th November 2004, from Senator E.P. Vibert, Chairman, Shadow Scrutiny Panel, in connexion with a request for permission to release additional funding for transcription services and refreshment expenses concerning ongoing reviews.

The Committee considered that the request for funding in respect of transcription services was both necessary and reasonable. It therefore agreed to authorize the expenditure. With regard to refreshment expenses, the Committee considered that the authorization of minor items of expenditure, particularly those which could be considered as isolated or irregular commitments of less than £500, should be determined by the Assistant Greffier of the States. Notwithstanding the foregoing, it agreed to authorize the release of funds to cover the refreshment expenses as detailed.

The Assistant Greffier of the States was requested to take the necessary action.

It was reported that the Shadow Scrutiny Panel chaired by Senator E.P. Vibert intended to make a further request for funding to allow for a Panel member or members, together with at least one expert advisor, to visit as many as three separate waste processing plants outside the Island. However, a formal request had yet to be received.

