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BY EMAIL

3rd November 2023

Dear Minister,

Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel Government Plan 2023 – 2027 Review

Proposals

I am writing as part of the evidence gathering phase of the Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel's review of the Proposed Government Plan 2024-2027.

We anticipate that provision of some information in written form will be useful in our consideration ahead of our future hearing, so would be grateful if you can provide the following. For your information, the Panel has been provided with the Business Justification Cases for the proposed revenue growth. However, we would be grateful if you could provide the requested information publicly to enable open discourse and understanding of the proposals.

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- 1. What particular value to the taxpayer do you expect the growth bid to deliver?
- 2. What Key Performance Indicators will you be tracking to evidence the benefit of the proposed additional revenue expenditure, in addition to the funding allocated in the previous Government Plans?
- 3. What alternative means of funding, funding levels, and corresponding outcomes, were identified in application for the additional revenue expenditure?
- 4. What quantitative analysis has been undertaken to determine the potential economic impact of the proposed additional revenue expenditure and, if any, can this please be forwarded?

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5. What particular value to the taxpayer do you expect the growth bid to deliver?

- 6. What alternative means of funding, funding levels, and corresponding outcomes, were identified in application for the additional revenue expenditure?
- 7. How have the cost estimates for the proposed revenue expenditure been assessed and reviewed regarding best value for money?
- 8. What are the opportunities to promote and protect innovation on the Island anticipated by the growth bid?
- 9. What quantitative analysis has been undertaken to determine the potential economic impact of the proposed additional revenue expenditure and, if any has taken place, can this please be forwarded to the Panel?

We would be grateful if you could respond to this no later than Friday 10th November 2023 in line with the 5 working days approved for responses between Scrutiny Panels and Ministers.

If you have any questions regarding this or our work in general, please do not hesitate to contact me. Please note that unless otherwise stated, all letters will be uploaded to the Scrutiny website as a matter of course.

Yours sincerely,

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Deputy Moz Scott Chair Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

Government Plan 2024 – 2027 Scrutiny Review Terms of Reference Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel

- 1. To review components of the Government Plan 2024-2027 Proposition [P.72/2023] which are relevant to the Economic and International Affairs Scrutiny Panel to determine the following:
 - a) The impact of the Government Plan proposals on departmental budgets, savings, staffing levels and spending of allocated funds will ensure productive service delivery that meets departmental and Ministerial objectives including those concerning increasing productivity in real terms.
 - b) The impact of the proposed Administrative Tax Measures and budget measures on the cost of doing business in the Island.
 - c) Whether the revenue expenditure growth, capital and other projects are appropriate and likely to have a positive impact on Islanders and Island life.
 - d) How the proposed revenue expenditure growth, capital and other projects align with the Common Strategic Policy to deliver on the priorities, and with the objectives of the Ministerial Plans.
 - e) Whether the resources allocated to revenue expenditure growth and capital and other projects are sufficient, ensure value for money, demonstrate best use of public funds and include sufficient performance indicators to measure economic growth and progress.

Revenue Expenditure Growth						
£'000 Head of Expenditure	Reference	Description	2024 Estimate	2025 Estimate	2026 Estimate	2027 Estimate
Ministry of External Relations	I-MER-GP24-001	Overseas Offices	134	134	134	134
Department for the Economy	I-DFE-GP24-004	Intellectual Property Framework	300	300	300	300