

Agenda – Meeting of Energy Forum

26th April 2017, Howard Davis Farm, 12:00 -13:30 (sandwich lunch will be provided; please advise any dietary requirements by 21st April)

1. Welcome from acting Chair – Sir Nigel Broomfield
2. Apologies
 - Chris Ambler – Jersey Electricity plc
 - Andrew Robinson – Jersey Gas
3. Election of Chair
 - Anne King - Jersey Consumer Council, has been proposed by Sir Nigel Broomfield
4. The new Chair will take forward the business of the meeting which will focus on BREXIT

Energy security, affordability and sustainability in light of BREXIT

The Minister for the Environment has invited the Energy Forum to consider the implications of the exiting of the UK from the EU (BREXIT) in relation to the implementation of the Pathway 2050 Energy Plan for Jersey and the delivery of secure, affordable and sustainable energy. The Minister has asked that the Forum feedback a summary of concerns, opportunities and issues for consideration by the members of the Energy Executive. As discussions are already underway with UK officials this is a live and ongoing issue and Jersey must stand ready to continue engagement with the UK as and when the UK's negotiating position develops. There will be further opportunities for the Forum to contribute their views to the Executive as more information becomes available.

In order to prepare for the meeting, a high level briefing note has been provided. This note has previously been circulated to States Members in April 2017 to inform their discussions at a workshop session of the Customs Union group where energy was one of a number of issues discussed. The Energy Forum are invited to consider their response to the same high level questions that were considered by States Members and no doubt will also have further and more detailed matters they wish to raise.

The meeting will run as follows:

An official from the Department of External Relations will join the Forum meeting. They will provide some quick context on the process of BREXIT for Jersey and what we know to date and they will be able to answer any questions and help facilitate the discussions.

The BREXIT topic will then be 'kick-started' by each Energy Forum member will have 2-3 minutes of uninterrupted time to outline the main BREXIT Energy Plan issues that concern you in terms of your representation on the energy forum: the objective is to enable the others present to hear what it is like to be in your sector or organizations shoes.

- Describe your main concerns, whatever they may be - you may wish to use the following areas to guide your thoughts:
 - Current and future energy markets and in particular the affordability of energy

- Any specific issues for UK-Jersey vs Jersey-EU trade relationships
- Carbon emissions now and post Brexit and the impact on the delivery of the Energy Plan objectives
- Jersey's renewable energy aspirations and access to future energy markets
- Describe your views on the outline desired negotiating position that has been described in the briefing note
- Describe any areas of opportunity whatever they may be
- Your thoughts on how the Energy Forum can contribute constructively to the Customs group discussions

At the end of each Forum member's summary, they can be asked questions by other participants if needed to improve their understanding of the issues raised.

Outputs

The Forum will agree who is to take the lead for collating the comments into a summary paper. (It would be helpful if Forum members could provide a written summary of their discussion points to the raconteur to facilitate this). The consolidated paper will then be circulated to the Group for comments and feedback and then returned to the Executive. A time scale will be decided upon in the session but a suggestion is collation by 05.05.2017 and feedback to be received by 12.05.2017 with an intention to send a completed paper to the Executive by 19.05.2017

5. AOB
Constitution of the Forum and representation from business and retail sectors
6. Date of next meeting