Jersey Energy Forum

Tuesday 8th October 3.00-5.00pm

Committee Room, Howard Davis Farm

Notes and Action Points from meeting

Attendees

Bertrand Dellinger (BD) Peter Cadiou (PC) Jim Hopley (JH) Ian Wilson (IW) Jeremy Harris (JeH) (Chair) Richard Le Sueur (RLS) Chris Ambler (CA) Ian Plenderleith (IP) Clive Doyle (CD) Ayisha Ashworth (AA)

In attendance

Steve Skelton (SS) Lisette Jones (LJ) (Minutes)

Apologies

Colin Russell (CR) Louise Magris (LM) Ali Cambray (AC)

		Action
1.	Welcome and apologies	
	Minutes and matters arising from the last meeting	
	Agreed to accept the minutes of the September Forum meeting following the amendment of the date (currently states June)	LJ to amend date of minutes to September.
2.	Climate Emergency paper taken to Council of Ministers on 2.10.19 - presentation followed by group discussion on participatory democracy	
	SS gave a brief update to the group on the papers that have already been taken to the Council of Ministers on the Carbon Neutral Strategy. These include explanation of scope, definition of emissions and the principles of carbon offsetting.	
	 Discussion ensued regarding Scope 3 emissions and how they should be treated. Agreed that it would not be possible to accurately measure Scope 3 emissions or include targets on them, but they should be considered. Confirmed that Ministers have taken the decision that scope 1 and 2 will be measured and that the strategy will reflect scope 3 	

- emissions but that it would not be possible to include these accurately in a measure of carbon neutrality.
- Members of the group also felt it was important to consider transboundary aviation / maritime emissions.
- Agreed that Jersey should seek a high threshold of validation for any carbon offsets it purchases.

SS gave a presentation on participatory democracy. The group discussion included:

- Does asking the public to set the level of ambition delay action?
- Are there benefits of taking the public on the journey? Yes - agreed that they are more likely to get support for the carbon neutral journey and that its implementation is more likely to be supported.
- SS explained that there will be two tracks of work – no regrets or foundation policies (things that we can just get on with straight away) and the separate track going being taken to the Citizen's Assembly.
- SS explained how the Common Strategic Policy sets out the high-level priorities for the government's current term of office. The Government Plan is on a yearly rolling cycle so we will have the chance to input on an annual basis.
- The group discussed other organisations / Councils that have adopted a Citizen's Assembly approach.
- The group agreed that commerce and business needed to have an opportunity to be involved and that there would need to be a robust fact base to inform the conversation.
- The Chair felt that it was important that CoM shows clear leadership and to commit itself to action.
- Members of the group questioned the speed at which everything is happening - is it too rushed? Officers confirmed that this was the timescale agreed by the States Assembly.
- The Forum members felt that although the Citizen's Assembly approach was not faultless that they couldn't think of a better way of doing it.

LJ to email the Forum the details of the citizens assembly on climate change from Oxford City Council.

3. Update on carbon reduction policies

	SS confirmed that we would be contacting forum members next week about meeting with Oxera to feed into the development of the carbon neutral scenarios.	
1.	Update and group discussion on Sustainable Transport Strategy	
	A progress update was given on the STP, with explanation of the public snapshot survey to be run in October.	
	Agreed that the Forum will be given a more detailed briefing on the STP in the November meeting.	LJ to include agenda item on STP in November Energy Forum meeting
5.	Update and group discussion on Carbon Offsetting	
	An update was given of the last Carbon offset group meeting.	
	The high level of interest from local NGOs in both carbon sequestration and offsets was noted.	
6.	AOB and date of next meeting	
	13th November 2-4pm Howard Davis Farm	