## Jersey Energy Forum – Sixth Meeting 02 March 2018

# Notes and Action Points from meeting held in the Committee Room, South Hill, 2pm-4.30pm

#### **Attendees**

Anne King (AK) Ian Wilson (IW) Peter Cadiou (PC)
Stuart Crossman (SC) William Lakeman (WL) Norman Murray (NM)
Jim Hopley (JiH) Kim Guegan (KG) Mike Waddington (MW)
Gemma Coleman (GC) Louise Magris (LM) Jodie Le Marquand (Minutes)

**Apologies** 

Ali Cambray (AC) Richard Le Sueur (RLS) Helier Smith (HS)
Fiona Glover (FG) Nicholas de Breyne (NDB) Chris Ambler (CA)
Jeremy Harris (JeH) Sir Nigel Broomfield (NB) Colin Russell (CR)

1.	Welcome and apologies [5 mins]	Action
2.	Matters arising from the last meeting [5 mins]	
	Reappointments – each member has been scored and measured against the agreed criteria. All members bar one scored over 70% and have been reappointed.	
3.	Appointment of chair [10 mins]	
	AK happy to continue as chair and the Forum unanimously voted her back for a term of one year	AK was reappointed as chair for 2018
4.	<b>Discussion on Fuel Poverty Work stream (</b> AS 26 – 'Understanding affordable energy')	
	Presentations were given by Kim Guegan from the Statistics Unit and Will Lakeman of Dept. Of Social Security. The presentations touched on the	GC – to send copy of presentations to group
	available data and policy levers around poverty, fuel poverty, the budgeting ability of certain groups of people and material deprivation and the connection to the fuel poor (FP).	All – forum members to provide data and ideas from their organisations on fuel poverty to GC ASAP as this was an outstanding from previous mtg. In
	An open discussion followed:	particular Jersey Gas and Jersey Electricity to consider the impact of their tariffs and payment methods (like key cards) on
	Matters of note included:	specific groups and provide any available data back to GC.
	i) Having a locally bespoke definition for FP for Jersey. This might be constructed in response to a profile of those defined as being in FP from the available data;	All – send suggestions for questions for the JOLS survey to GC by the end of w/c 05 March 2018 to be considered / collated by the Department
	ii) All around the table recognised the relevance of the issue and that they have an important role	

in the development of this work stream and GC - To invite Environmental Health to the eventual the delivery of the recommended next meeting to discuss the Rent Safe programme with the Forum. This is an outcomes; active area of policy development and iii) The group also reflected on the proposed delivery. This programme is intended to questions for JOLS survey. Questions upgrade the stock in the private rental suggestions included: sector through a programme of energy assessments followed up potentially by soft How much of your income is spent on fuel? loans / grants to landlords to implement Do you receive your income weekly/monthly? energy efficiency improvements. A How often would you like to receive your energy bills: facilitated discussion will follow the weekly, monthly, quarterly? presentations using the same successful How do you pay your utility bills: direct debit, cash? format of this meeting. Ability to understand utility bills is limited Would you be interested in paying through phone? (Would you like text alerts or similar usage alerts)? How often do you speak to your energy provider? A one-off energy survey was suggested to frame questions differently

#### 5. Update on outcome of debate on P88 [10 mins]

LM provided an update on the review of Jersey Electricity's stand-by charge. An economic consultancy (NERA) have been appointed to assist. This project now underway and will report in April.

Members were invited to give stakeholder evidence to the review if they wished

# 6. Follow up from draft micro renewables paper [10 mins]

SC confirmed he had input his thoughts to the paper. Ali Cambray, as an original member of the sub-group, has now added further thoughts to these and recirculated the updated paper.

AK and IW to review updated document and circulate to micro-res group and then to forum members to sign off ahead of next meeting.

LM to send information re the scope of the

review to Forum members and will arrange evidence sessions to those that would like

to participate.

#### 7. Any other business

## Meeting calendar for 2018

Most suitable times for meetings were discussed and no clear options emerged so it was decided to try a variety of options to give members the best chance of attending. AK to send out dates of the next forum to members. 3 more this year in May, September and December

Subsequently agreed as follows:

- 21/05/18 (Monday) 3 to 5 pm
- 13/09/18 (Thursday) 9 to 11am
- 04/12/18 (Tuesday) 12 to 2 pm

Secretariat to send diary invitations

AK to ask HS to consider sending another Jersey Water representative to meetings to help with availability.