

**Jersey Energy Forum – Fourth Meeting
15th September 2017**

**Brief Notes and Action Points from meeting held in the Small Meeting Room,
Howard Davis Farm, Trinity 12:00-14:00**

Attendees

Anne King (AK)	Ian Wilson (IW)	Richard Le Sueur (RLS)
Colin Russell (CR)	Nick Palmer (NP)	Peter Cadiou (PC)
Louise Magris (LM)	Gemma Coleman (Minutes)	Mike Waddington (MW)
Stuart Crossman (SC)	Bob Beebe (BB)	Mo Roscouet (MR)
Jim Hopley (JH)	Minister for DoE Steve Luce (SL)	

Apologies

Chris Ambler (CA)	Andrew Robinson (AR)	Sir Nigel Broomfield (NB)
Glyn Mitchell (GM)	Fiona Glover (FG)	

Not in attendance

Norman Murray (NM)	Nicholas de Breyne (NDB)	Helier Smith (HS)
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		Action
1.	Welcome and introduction from the Chair	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Welcome and introduction from Chair, AK - AK reminded the forum members of the purpose of the forum and of the days meeting. 	
2.	Presentation of the forums micro-renewables paper to the Minister	
	<p>IW presented the work of the micro-renewables sub-group, explaining the main findings of the report and the outcomes of their research.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Explained that the project was initiated by Ali Cambray 2 years ago and that the sub-group are proposing a draft paper for the forum to agree. -Explained that the objectives of the paper were to explore the potential contribution of micro-renewables to decarbonising the fuel system in Jersey’s Energy Plan, in particular as set out in the Energy Plan from 2030 onwards. -A set of 8x recommendations were made for enabling implementation of this potential. -Demonstrated an analysis of the different micro-renewable categories and their CO₂ abatement potential. -Explained other ideas explored that need further research, included the need for more impartial information for consumers, closed loop funding, removal of GST, tax breaks and the regeneration of St. Helier. -Explained that the main conclusions of the report were the need to show leadership and direction by giving clear and definitive advice to homeowners on low carbon alternatives and the use of EPCs could help consumers understand the benefits of micro-renewable systems. 	<p>IW and SC to discuss and resolve technical points brought up in the meeting.</p> <p>AK to formally submit report to the Energy Exec via SL</p> <p>AK to formally liaise via LM’s team to give the full report and all information to Energy Exec via SL</p>

<p>AK thanked IW and the sub-group for their considerable effort in putting together the paper.</p> <p>The Minister welcomed the paper and thanked the sub-group for their work and said he would feedback to the Energy Executive, once he has had the opportunity to fully reflect on the report and receive any additional information.</p> <p>A general discussion amongst the group followed, including the pros and cons to solar PV, issues around carbon tax, educating consumers and the building trade on the benefits of these technologies, affordability of measures and the need for regulation of the industry and a competent persons scheme (such as the ECO-Energy Compliance Obligation scheme in the UK).</p> <p>AK-summarised that the role of the forum is to help give information and signpost consumers to the relevant options available and that certification needs further discussion-possibly through the Energy Executive.</p>	
<p>3. Introduction to the able to pay project</p>	
<p>MR and GC presented the outline of the upcoming programme of training for Domestic Energy Assessors in line with Action Statement 3 of the Energy Plan.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -Background of the scheme development and engagement of BRE. -Overview of programme format and what training will involve. -Explained that households will be encouraged to take part by offering the incentive of discounted survey costs and through consequential improvements and this will in turn create the demand. -Explained that the programme is audited by a UK accreditation scheme and delegates will have to sign up to a code of conduct and they will handle complaints etc, this is not with the SOJ –so it will not be conflicted. <p>A general discussion amongst the group followed regarding where else demand for the programme will come from (e.g. Rent Safe scheme) and what incentives will be used to encourage householders to take part. Discussions also picked up on how the Energy Performance Certificates delivered by the Assessors will be able to be used as future policy levers e.g. for rental properties (Rent Safe scheme), at point of purchase.</p> <p>SC-suggested we re-look at initial cost of scheme to delegates as they think we are selling it short. If it is only £500 delegates may not perceive it as of value.</p>	<p>MR & GC to re-look at cost of scheme to delegates and send forum final format of the DEA scheme when confirmed, for them to circulate within their organisations to encourage delegates to sign up to become a DEA.</p>
<p>4. Membership for the period 2018 to 2021</p>	
<p>AK reminded the forum that the Terms of Reference (ToR) appoint members to serve for 3 years and the current membership was appointed in January 2015 and therefore membership needs to be considered for the next 3 year period.</p> <p>A discussion amongst the group followed about what has and hasn't worked within the current forum group, the need for independence (be able to demonstrate impartiality) and for</p>	<p>Forum members to each revisit ToR and send any suggestions for updating them to AK.</p> <p>Forum members to send to AK their thoughts on the eligibility criteria (above and</p>

	<p>members to have expertise in the relevant field and behave with impartiality.</p> <p>AK suggested that forum members revisit the ToR to remind themselves of the criteria for membership and see if there are any gaps with current members and decide if they would like to stay and re-apply.</p> <p>AK asked forum members to then email her any ideas of what criteria we want to set for forum members, mixture of skills, credibility, and enthusiasm about business. LM to work with AK on this first point. LM will put another advert out inviting any interested parties to apply and members can signpost certain individuals to this advert that they think would be of value to the forum.</p> <p>AK suggested the forum need to build on their relationship with the Energy Executive as she is mindful of elections next year and does not want to lose momentum.</p>	<p>beyond those already outlined in the ToR) that should be considered for future forum members to AK. Ideas to AK by the 5th October.</p> <p>Forum members to send any suggestions for future forum members to AK.</p> <p>LM & AK draft advert for membership.</p>
5.	Future Jersey	
	<p>AK explained that Dr. Ian Skinner has invited forum members to comment on the Future Jersey paper either as individuals or as a forum member. LM urged forum members to respond, even if only on the energy section.</p> <p>AK suggested that the forum respond formally by letter as a response back to Ian Skinner. AK will start the letter and ask others to contribute.</p> <p>RLS suggested that AJA (Association of Jersey Architects) will want to comment so he will follow up with them directly.</p>	<p>Forum members make their 'Forum comment' on 'Future Jersey' to AK for synthesis into a Forum response by the 27th September. Consultation closes on the 4th October.</p> <p>Individuals were also encouraged to contribute to the consultation online as part of their organisations.</p>
6.	A.O.B.	
	<p>GC circulated a brief and invited forum members to the upcoming Aether workshop regarding the development of a climate change infographic for SoJ on 16th October.</p> <p>LM gave a brief update on Brexit – that SoJ are continuing to work with the UK government and have discussions, still at high level and she will continue to keep the forum in the loop. But asked that if members have any specific questions, to email them to LM and we can send these on.</p> <p>MW asked whether the forum have any plans to do a public event and AK suggested that she would like to see that happen.</p> <p>LM suggested that members review the ToR and decide what it is they would like to offer and what do they think it is that's missing and we will add it to the agenda for the next meeting to discuss ideas for how the forum would like to engage with the public.</p> <p>Next meeting to be held on Tuesday 21st November at 9am in the Committee Room, Howard Davis Farm.</p>	<p>GC to forward meeting request to forum members for Aether workshop.</p> <p>Forum to review ToR and bring suggestions for public engagement to the next meeting.</p>