

## Minutes of Statistics Users Group Meeting

Date of meeting: **15 May 2014**; 4<sup>th</sup> floor CLMH

Present: Martin Richardson (Chair), Mary Friswell, Peggy Gielen, Jennie Holley, Craig Leach, Graeme Marett, John Noel, Ray Shead, Matthew Sutton, Rozanne Thomas

Statistics Unit: Duncan Gibaut (DG)

Apologies: Peter Surcouf

1. **a) Minutes of last meeting:** agreed and signed off.  
**b) Matters arising:** DG apologised to the Group that he had yet to discuss the quality of published agriculture statistic with EDD (Rural Economy).

### 2. **Update on issues due to Manpower Survey**

DG informed the Group that the Statistics Unit had issued a press release on 17 March 2014 announcing the postponement of the reports on the Labour Market (December 2013) and the Resident Population (2013).

DG informed the Group that the Statistics Unit was in daily contact with the Population Office regarding the ongoing status of the Manpower Survey returns for December 2013 and developments for the June 2014 round of the Survey.

#### Action

The Group requested that a meeting be arranged with the Chief Minister in order to discuss the Group's concerns with the Manpower Survey and its broader implications.

### 3. **Update on Statistics Unit activity**

DG summarised recent publications and ongoing work of the Statistics Unit:

#### Recent:

- Jersey in Figures 2013
- Jersey Housing Affordability 2013
- Jersey-UK regional price comparison - 2013
  - Quarterly: Retail Prices Index, RPI  
Business Tendency Survey  
Retail Sales Index  
House Price Index
  - Monthly: Registered Actively Seeking Work (ASW)

#### Ongoing:

- Jersey Annual Social Survey 2014 – due to start in late May 2014

### 4. **Next meeting**

**Wednesday 6 August 2014**

12:15 – 14:00 in the Concord Room, 4<sup>th</sup> floor of Cyril Le Marquand House