

Minutes of Statistics Users Group Meeting

Date of meeting: **29th April 2015**; Concord Room, Cyril Le Marquand House

Present: Craig Leach (*Chair*), Mary Friswell, Jennie Holley, Graeme Marett, John Noel, Ray Shead, Peter Surcouf, Matthew Sutton, Rozanne Thomas
Statistics Unit: Duncan Gibaut (DG), Sarah Davis (SD), Daniel Edmunds

Apologies: Peggy Gielen, Martin Richardson

1. a) **Minutes of last meeting:** agreed and signed off
[Action DG – upload the minutes onto the Group's website](#)

b) **Matters arising:** none

2. **Code of Practice for Official Statistics**

The final set of comments of the Group and of the Chief Minister had been incorporated within the Code of Practice. The Chief Minister would present the Code to the Council of Ministers at their meeting of 6th May 2015. If the Council of Ministers were in agreement, the Code would then be presented to the States Assembly as a Report.

3. **Statistics legislation**

Following its work on developing a Code of Practice for Official Statistics in Jersey, the Group expressed its intention to re-visit the issue of statistical legislation for Jersey, as initially discussed at the Group's meeting of 6th August 2014.

4. **Jersey Annual Social Survey 2015**

SD gave a presentation on the content and schedule for the 2015 round of JASS. The survey was due to be posted to a random selection of more than 3,000 households in the last week of May; results were provisionally scheduled to be published on 25th November 2015.

5. **Update on Statistics Unit activity**

DG summarised the recent publications and ongoing work of the Statistics Unit, including a presentation on the latest round of the Retail Prices Index (March 2015, published 24th April 2015):

Recent:

- Six monthly Labour Market
- Quarterly Retail Prices Index; Business Tendency Survey
Retail Sales Index; House Price Index
- Monthly Registered Actively Seeking Work

Ongoing:

- Household Spending and Income Survey, 2014/15:
started in April 2014; survey component on schedule for completion by the end of April 2015

6. **Next meeting: Wednesday 22nd July 2015: 12 noon at **Cazenove Capital, 40 Esplanade****