

Minutes of Statistics Users Group Meeting

Date of meeting: **17 October 2011**; 5th floor CLMH

Present: Charles Clarke (Chair), Peggy Gielen, Mary Friswell, Martin Richardson, Peter Surcouf, Rozanne Thomas, David Warr (for Ray Shead)
Duncan Gibaut

Apologies: Marie-Louise Backhurst, Jenny Holley, Natasha LeDain-Cyple

1. Minutes of last meeting

Agreed and signed off by the Group.

Matters arising:

Census Board: DG reported that the Census Board would meet on 7 November 2011.

Internal Audit of Statistics Unit processes:

CC reported that the Treasurer was considering this matter.

2. 2011 Census

Sarah Davis (Census Manager) presented the status of the Census project.

3. Update on Statistics Unit activity

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

i. Recent:

- GVA and GNI 2010
- Index of Average Earnings – June 2011
- UK-Jersey consumer price comparison
- Quarterly: Retail Sales; Business Tendency Survey; Retail Prices Index; House Price Index
- Monthly: Registered unemployment

ii. Ongoing

- Census 2011 see item 2
- Affordability Index
- Better Life Index

iii. To run in 2012:

- Jersey Annual Social Survey
- Housing Needs Survey – to liaise with Housing and Planning Depts.

4. AOB

DG: Release of Q3 2011 Business Tendency Survey

DG informed the Group that the scheduled release date for the Q3 2011 round of the Business Tendency Survey coincided with States of Jersey Election Day. The date for release had been set a year previously, on the 2011 Statistics Unit release schedule.

The Group concurred that the report be released according to the published release date.

5. Next meeting

Tuesday 7 February 2012 at 11 a.m.

Duncan Gibaut, Statistics Unit