

PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COMMITTEE

Open Minutes of the Meeting held
Tuesday 30th April 2024 commencing at 1.30pm
at the Public Accounts Committee Office, Reflections Building, Dean Street

Present: Andrew Newman (AN) Chair
Sacha Cleminson (SC) Deputy Chair
Peter Biggs MLA (PB) MLA Member
Teslyn Barkman MLA (TB) MLA Member

Minutes: Nancy Locke (NL) PAC Secretary

Apologies: Nadia Knight (NK) Lay Member

In attendance: Paula Fowmes Penguin News

1. The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting particularly the Press. There were apologies from Nadia Knight, Lay Member

2. Declarations of Interest

Item 6: TB

Item 7: PB

3. Minutes of the previous Meeting

The Open Minutes of the meeting held on 1st February 2024 were signed as an accurate record.

4. Matters Arising

There were no matters arising.

5. Falkland Islands Museum and National Trust Financial Statements June 2023

The committee reviewed the Falkland Islands Museum and National Trust Financial Statements. There were no comments from the members who were content.

6. Falklands Landholdings Corporation Financial Statements June 2023

The committee reviewed and discussed the Falklands Landholdings Corporation Financial Statements. The committee had no comments and the members were content.

7. Media Trust Financial Statements June 2023

The committee reviewed the Media Trust Financial Statements, noting the risks involved with Penguin News’ rising costs but also that at service level the national newspaper is value for money. There were no comments from the members who were content.

8. Response to PAC Review of the VHF/2-metre Repeater Replacement

The committee discussed the response received to the recommendations made in the PAC’s review. The PAC’s recommendations were accepted and the PAC will follow up with the progress at a later date.

It was noted that the response to the PAC Review on the Emergency Services Radio report recommendations remain outstanding.

9. Confirmation of dates & times for 2024 meetings

Proposed dates of next meetings to be attended in person or via Teams were discussed and the following dates were suggested:

- 28th June 2024 – at 10am
- July tbc
- Mid October
- Early December

10. Authority for documents from this meeting to be published

Members of the Public would be advised that documents from this meeting would be published on the PAC’s website www.pac.org.fk.

The Chair requested that members of the public leave the room for the consideration of the following items in accordance with the Public Accounts Committee Ordinance as amended by the Part 9 of the Committees (Public Access) Ordinance 2012.

I confirm that these minutes are an accurate record of the meeting:

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(Chairperson)

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(Date)