

Access to Public Information Response

October 19th 2016

REQUEST UNDER THE CODE OF PRACTICE FOR ACCESS TO PUBLIC INFORMATION

Request sent on October 19th 2016:

The Scrutiny Management Committee (SMC) received a request from the Guernsey Press asking for the release of correspondence it received from Deputy Paul Le Pelley relating to the ongoing disagreements between SMC and Education, Sport & Culture (ESC) in relation to the timing of a public hearing.

Response from the States of Guernsey on October 19th 2016

The Committee discussed this matter at its meeting on the 18th of October and decided that they were not able to release the requested letter under the existing code of access to information. However, the Committee are very happy to outline the exact chronology of events regarding this matter.

The SMC considered section 2.4 of the code; information whose disclosure would harm the frankness and candour of internal discussion, specifically in respect of confidential communications between Departments.