

MUTUALS TASKFORCE MEETING Thursday 1st December, 2011 1 Horseguards Rd 16.00 – 17.30

MINUTES

Attendees

Chair: Julian Le Grand Peter Marsh
Nita Clarke Patrick Lewis
Carole Leslie Ed Mayo
Peter Holbrook Jo Pritchard

Officials

Head of Mutuals Programme OCS officials

Apologies

Rachel Wolf Donna Fallows
Crown Commercial Representative for Mutuals

Welcome and introductions

Chair's Update

 In light of the development of the Mutuals Information Service/Mutuals Support Programme (MIS/MSP) it is important and necessary to update the MTF terms of reference. In particular to clarify that the MTF has no role in relation to the use, operation and management of the MIS/MSP and to create a Register of Interests. Further information will be circulated around the MTF in due course.

Taskforce Terms of Reference are available at: http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/content/mutuals-taskforce

Update from the Cabinet Office

- Launch of MIS/MSP is imminent
- BIS has launched a call for evidence on the operation of the regulations around TUPE, this includes a question relevant to moves from the public to private sectors. The Taskforce may wish to respond.
- Work following the publication of the Open Public Services White Paper is ongoing. There may be scope for the Taskforce to feed proposals and recommendations into this.

Actions

 The Taskforce expressed the view that they wish, as members of the group, to be more proactive in contributing to and influencing the direction of Government policy.

Teckal Paper

Vice Chair presented the draft paper.

Action: MTF members were invited to follow up with any comments or feedback to Vice Chair directly.

'Launching' - Head of Mutuals Programme, OCS officials

- The launch of the MIS/MSP and related documents is imminent, including the Mutuals Taskforce 'evidence paper' and the 'Procurement paper'.
- OCS officials demonstrated the new MIS website.

AOB

 January's meeting should include a 'brainstorm' session on how the Taskforce can play a more active role in influencing Government policymaking.