

# **GENERAL PURPOSES AND ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

## **Workshop for Conseillers and Officials**

**12<sup>th</sup> January 2013**

A workshop for Conseillers and officials was held at the Island Hall on Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> December where speakers provided information on a range of topics.

Colin Kniveton introduced "A Vision for Sark", a document that seeks to build upon the outcomes of the recent residents' survey, which gave some clear indications as to the issues that are currently creating concerns for residents. These concerns have been summarised in the document and a range of potential actions have been identified that are relevant to the areas of concern. This document will be brought before Chief Pleas for debate at the earliest opportunity.

The second presentation was provided by Damon Hackley, the Strategic Planning Officer from Guernsey, who gave suggestions as to how a vision can be developed into specific policies and the steps that need to be taken to successfully implement such policies, including the need to identify the purpose of such policies, available resources and the need to fully consult with all relevant parties.

The process of overseeing specific projects to deliver Government policies was the subject of the third presentation, given by Jim Nicolls, the Senior Project Manager for the States of Guernsey, who provided an interactive view of the manner in which project management techniques can be applied, including several exercises in which the attendees split into teams to undertake various tasks.

The final session of the day was hosted by Cathryn Hannah, Head of the Crown Dependencies Unit at the Ministry of Justice, who spoke about the principles that underpin good governance in public life and the features that ensure committee meetings are effectively organised and managed.

**Charles Maitland**  
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