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Sent:	21 January 2010 09:36

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Cc: Stewart L (Lesley);

Subject: RE: FETA - Outline Revenue and Capital budgets 2010-11 and indicative budgets

2011-13

RE: FETA - Outline Revenue and Capital budgets 2010-11 and indicative budgets 2011-13

- 1. Thank you for sending through the draft budget material to Lesley Stewart, and the Budget Monitoring 2009-10 report submitted to the FETA Board meeting of the 18th December 2009. You explained that we would have had the opportunity to discuss this information at our scheduled meeting on 12th January which unfortunately did not take place. In line with issues raised at our meeting with FETA officials in October 2009, this e-mail seeks some clarification on aspects of those documents, and looks to take account of relevant updates as a means to aid the Scottish Government and FETA budget setting process in advance of the next FETA Board meeting due on 26th February.
- 2. You offered to provide more detail and / or feed the e-mail through to Barry Colford to respond. You did not expect the forecast spend and budget figures provided to change substantially; and explained that you are working to anticipated budgets for this FY and next, and indicative budgets for 2011/12 and 2012/13 which are in line with the forecast Capital programme expenditure you submitted to us. Budgets for these latter two years have yet to be confirmed. I should say that the Budget for 2010/11 is also not yet definitive and it is subject to Parliamentary approval.
- 3. You agreed to submit any updated data in advance of our meeting, and it would, for example, be helpful to have the latest 2009/10 forecast data, in order to be able to discuss any knock on effect this may have on the reserve and/or forecast spend in 2010/11.
- 4. The tender document for the Viaduct Bearings Replacement was due at the end of December. It would be useful to have a progress update on this topic though you thought the process may have been delayed. Cable Band Bolts Again it would be useful to have the latest forecast spend and/or a progress update, subject to the final report being available during February, and any other significant capital plan items, such as Suspended Spans Underdeck Access.
- 5. More generally, my understanding is that certain pieces of FETA's work, such as the M9 Spur / A8000 Main Contract, are funding <u>requirements</u>. It would be useful if you could confirm those items of FETA's spend in the Capital Plan (inc Capital Plan Revenue) that are contractually committed expenditure.
- 6. Certain important investigatory pieces of work are already underway and other planned pieces of work are also well advanced. These are included in the capital spend/plan for 2009/10 and 2010/11 (years 2 and 3 of the current spending review period); in years 1 and 2 of the next spending review; and in the longer term capital plan. As we have discussed before, one of our key roles as a sponsorship branch is to make representations to Scottish Ministers on FETA's behalf in securing funding, and it would be useful to have a short explanation of those items which result in significant capital spend next year and in the years to come, and why spend is forecast for a particular year. For example, £2.7m on resurfacing viaducts and north approaches in 2012/13; and £500k on High Mast Light Replacement in 2011/12. This is also because we may have to pass such explanatory information quickly onto others within TS during the budgeting process. Is there a draft Business Plan that provides this type of information?
- 7. We spoke about the potential timescales involved. Ideally, it would be very helpful to have this information in the week beginning 25th January 2010, as noted in the Grant in Aid confirmation letter. If

this is not possible, can the information be provided by 2nd February, to inform the meeting on 10th February?

8. Happy to discuss if necessary.



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From: Stewart L (Lesley)
Sent: 22 December 2009 11:24

To:

Subject: FW: FETA - Outline Revenue and Capital budgets 2010-11 and indicative budgets 2011-13

Lesley Stewart

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From:

Sent: 16 December 2009 16:03

To: Stewart L (Lesley)
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Subject: FETA - Outline Revenue and Capital budgets 2010-11 and indicative budgets 2011-13

Dear Lesley,

FETA - Outline Revenue and Capital budgets 2010-11 and indicative budgets 2011-13

Please find attached a draft outline budget for the Forth Estuary Transport Authority 2010-11 and indicative budgets 2011-12 and 2012-13. Barry or myself will be happy to answer any questions you may have in advance of the meeting on the 12th January 2010.

Regards,


