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**Cc:** Stewart L (Lesley)  
**Subject:** RE: Finance Arrangements - FETA and TAY

Response to your questions below:

- The attached link [http://www.scotland.gov.uk/consultations/transport/FETA\\_consultation\\_report.pdf](http://www.scotland.gov.uk/consultations/transport/FETA_consultation_report.pdf) states that the accounts should be sent to Scottish Ministers (Page 35 alludes).
- Detailed Capital Spending Programme for 2010/11 to be submitted by 28 Feb 2010. The attached E Mail is correspondence that I sent to FD regarding potential risks/benefits in next 2 Financial Years:



FETA/TAY  
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- The DRAFT plan for 2010/11 submitted today gives rise to the following scenario:

DESCRIPTION	GRANT DUE	FORECAST	VARIANCE TO GRANT
Resource	4.41	5.12	0.71
Capital	9.58	8.55	-1.03

Red is an under-spend on Grant Payment expected by FETA (The Grant Payment is in line with their Total 3 Year Spending Review allocation).

In effect FETA are not planning to spend £1.03m of the Capital Grant Due to them. TS should make decision before grant letter issued as to whether Grant should be reduced in line with their Capital Plan (Their Capital Plan may change again in Feb 2010).

- The impact of a delayed Spending Review is that Ministers will have less time to consider our submission.

Hope this helps.

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For this morning's meeting we are interested in some of the following issues. For example,

- Do FETA and Tay's accounts need to be presented to Parliament?
- If not, would it be good practice to do so?
- Do the accounts need to be forwarded to the Minister under a covering explanatory note by the sponsor division and / or Finance Division? What happens elsewhere with similar organisations?
- What deadlines are you working to during the year but which will allow us as Sponsor Division to review capital and revenue proposals from FETA and TAY before submitting them to Finance? Grant in Aid letters refer.
- Given that FETA's submission of its capital plan has slipped, what difficulties does that present and to what deadlines are you now working? In effect, is there a set timetable for this material?
- And, what will be the impact of a delayed UK Spending Review?

Thanks,

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