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Subject: Communications timetable for this week

Sent on behalf of Willie Gallagher

At our daily review, we have only a few outstanding discussions to finalise the InfraCo Contract and TramCo and SDS Novations. The DLA QC and tie QC processes are close to completion. Assuming no unforeseen banana skins this morning, it is our intention to issue the final contracts to all parties to commence a 7 day due diligence process. We have requested confirmation that all parties are agreed to sign by no later than noon on Wed April 30th. I will then formally confirm this to CEC CEO that afternoon, prior to the Council meeting on May 1st.

On the Communication front, met yesterday with Phil, Duncan and CEC Comms. The plan is:

Thus am – brief Tram Helpers and First Line Support Staff
Thus lunch – brief Business Community (key message is closure of Princess Street for 6 months)
Thus pm – brief Evening News to give then exclusive for Fri.

Fri am - general Press Brief.

The focus of the brief will be on Programme and Construction methodology. A copy of all material will be provided by email to all CEC Councillors and tie/TEL/LB Board members on Friday morning.

I will keep you informed of progress.

Regards

Willie

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