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To: Chandler, Jason; Ruaridh Connor; Tony Glazebrook; Gavin Murray; Trudi Craggs; Roger

Jones (Transdev); Alex Joannides - TSS; Alastair Richards - TEL

Cc: Reynolds, Steve; Duncan Fraser Subject: RE: Design Review Meeting

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Jason,

I think you're missing my point. All I'm suggesting at this stage is that the minutes are altered to reflect CEC's position, which I mentioned at the meeting. We need to accurately record what was said, and I don't believe that the current minutes do that.

I appreciate that we're all doing our best, given some very difficult circumstances. I still believe that the design assurance proposal won't resolve as many issues as people first thought, particularly with regard to obtaining the technical approvals from CEC. That doesn't mean we don't progress that way, it just means we should do it with our eyes open with the risks identified and robustly costed with the projects business case.

Regards

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Subject: RE: Design Review Meeting

Andy,

We are working as best we can to mitigate the way that the design has progressed or not progressed I should say, due to the long term failure to resolve critical issues. The main problem here is that SDS are being pushed to complete a detailed design to meet procurement programme dates whilst also leaving the door open for changes to be made post completion of the modelling works. In an ideal world we would wait for all modelling to be complete before completing the design but this would add unacceptable delays to the programme and delivery, unfortunately this would mean that the design would be completed later and the design for the whole route would land for review and approval in one package which would be a very tall order for yourselves and tie as the reviewers.

To answer your question, SDS are fully prepared to assure the design as submitted and any changes that are required to that design further to completion of the modelling and any subsequent re-design will also be assured by SDS. We have to work on the principle of progressing the design works as quickly and efficiently as possible, minimising risk of abortive work, for all parties and not just SDS, and delivering a quality product. In approaching the outstanding works in the proposed manner we are endeavouring to achieve this. We appreciate that the team have a huge amount of work still to do to achieve approval and consent for the design.

We are relying on the prior consultation process to iron out the vast majority of the issues that would otherwise be identified as issues during the approval process and we appreciate all of the very constructive work done to date. If we continue to work in this manner the vast majority of the formal approvals and consents should become a relatively pain free exercise.

Regards

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Ruaridh,

The minutes don't reflect the Council's main point - we were promised that the new design submission packages would include all relevant info...in fact, the words used by SDS were that we would receive 'everything', plus a design assurance statement. This is not now the case, and I really don't see how CEC will be able to approve an incomplete design, particularly when you consider the impact of the stage 2 Road Safety Audit.

I'm also unclear how SDS can assure the design, knowing that it is incomplete.

Can you get the minutes altered please. Thanks.

Regards

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Please find attached the minutes for the above meeting from the 18th July.

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