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Fenella

For your meeting with Steven:

The essence is that SDS is now seriously behind programme in relation to design release to support the utilities diversions works which were meant to be an advance works programme to derisk the Main tram on street installation works. As usual Parson have been taking position to blame tie and any one else to explain their inadequacies. Tie now need and want to document their position from historic contractual records and going forward, since AMIS, the MUDFA contractor have grounds shortly for a meaningful claim for prolongation.

The situation is clouded by the fact the SDS rely, to some extent, on agreement/input from the various SUs involved. Some are very much less co operative than others and some are simply under resourced to respond to basic information and design approval requirements. This impacts SDS but under their agreement with tie, irrespective of how weak tie's agreements are with the SU (this process to ok nearly three years to complete since most Sus had no interest in committing to anything at all until it was clear that there was a project happening), SDS has responsibility to get all consents and approvals which are need for their designs to be implemented.

What is required is a set of meetings with John Casserley and Graeme Barclay who report to Steven and manage the MUDFA contract with tie and also the tie SDS MUDFA design programme manager to get into the detail of what SDS have and have not produced and its impact in the MUDFA programme.

Lastly, tie is attempting to settle an SDS claim for historic delays/variations payment to SDS on the main design commission so that the situation is delicate until that agreement is signed off. SDS contract on your chair.

Kind regards

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