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You may already be aware but the meeting called by David Mackay for today at 10am was convened and may still be underway!

I gather that the mood is constructive but as yet there are no details leaking out to me however led to believe that Bill might expect a call this evening.

Also Mr Swinney called following my earlier note today. He wanted to make sure he fully understood the fact that;

- TS is covered by formal Financial Agreement based on COWD and will not be exposed or over-committed to the project;
- that this year's underspend of circa £13.m may not readily be accommodated next year given the SR07 cap of £149m; and,
- given the extent of programme slippage it would be prudent to anticipate a spread over 2010/11 and 2011/12.

He now now fully appreciates these points but commented that if CEC / Tie get Bilfinger back on track and manage an increased work rate next year, the £149.m may prove tight for the Council.

John