
From: Nick Smith
Sent: 01 May 2008 09:52
To: Colin MacKenzie
Subject: RE: EDINBURGH TRAM: BBS PRICE

Colin, excellent email and fully agree with your sentiments.

Kind regards

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From: Colin MacKenzie
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To: Gill Lindsay
Cc: Nick Smith
Subject: FW: EDINBURGH TRAM: BBS PRICE
Importance: High

Gill,

I have just received a briefing from the client on this matter.

I am advised that the suggested price increase is confidential; that it is not a done deal with BBS; and that there will be further negotiations over the weekend between **tie** and BBS. Most significantly, I am led to believe that members will not be advised on these recent developments when Council considers the report today. I recall at the last IPG something being said to the effect that there was a "duty to respect Council as a corporate body." I would have thought that duty would best be served by either pulling the report, assembling the true picture and reporting again to members, or by being open with them today about the changed situation.

Are members being properly served by officers ? Are there implications for us as professional legal advisers ?

Regards,

Colin MacKenzie
for Council Solicitor

From: Colin MacKenzie
Sent: 30 April 2008 14:41
To: Gill Lindsay
Subject: EDINBURGH TRAM: BBS PRICE
Importance: High

Gill,

You may know this already, but BBS have increased the price by a significant amount. Urgent discussions underway at **tie** this afternoon. Wonder how this leaves the report to Council tomorrow !!

Regards,

Colin MacKenzie
for Council Solicitor