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Cc: Carol Campbell; Nick Smith; 'Vic Emery'; Alastair Maclean; Sue Bruce (Chief Executive)
Subject: RE: Trams - revised contractual arrangements Update 20 08 11

Thanks Colin

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Re design status see attached schedule to the minutes that has been updated every two weeks and attached to the minutes since Marr Hall. Design schedule has also been reported / copied to Ashursts

T & T have been given as part of their briefing pack last 6 weeks of control meetings and the BBS monthly report see attachment .They have also been invited to attend the legal briefing session when confirmed . Andrew Fox is on standby for Wed pm .

Regards
Colin

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Colin,

Thanks for looping me in in this, it's important that the risks highlighted in Alastair's note are covered in the risk pot, which I believe they are in relation to utilities and design development.

Historically the delay to design was not solely infraco's but a symptom of tie's role in the design approval process (where they had no locus) and frankly CEC' failure to delivered a joined up approvals process.

I agree a status report on design would be advantageous, though through the design control meetings these issues are reported (from memory there are only a few issues).

With regards to utilities T&T are looking to design around clashes only moving as a last resort. Alastair is spot on the management of this along with a helpful approach from BBS is key and the exclusive access point, Graham Robertson (Colin's planner took the to task on last Friday). This point cannot be conceded as we will end up with big delays.

We need to also ensure T&T are aware of all these points as they are cleared out or otherwise.

Alan

Sent from my iPhone

On 21 Aug 2011, at 12:36, "Colin Smith" <csmith@hg-group.co.uk> wrote:

Alan

I noticed you were not copied in .

Regards

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Alastair. This seems to me to be a replay of their tactics in 2007/08 when the period between preferred bidder award and financial close was clearly used to their advantage through devices such as schedule part 4 to rack up claims. The design issue is worrying. We burst a gut to clear out design approvals and consents in the spring. The contractor has responsibility for clearing the designs yet they laid off a group of at least 6 staff in May. Granted, York Place will need a bespoke design for the turn back but the smaller scale stuff should be considered as part of the ongoing process of adjustment to be expected in any large construction programme, and not an excuse for extension of time claims. Infraco have had 3 years to close out the design Their failure to do so is lamentable. I think we should seek a status report on the design and seek a clear timetable for its completion. The utilities risk is a further cause for concern. Given that Princes Street cost £15m after an initial price of £4m I remain anxious about where we are with the on street utilities risk. I am becoming more worried about trusting infraco to deliver to the employer's requirements. Their lack of site supervision on the most recent site visit was disappointing. We should arrange to meet in advance of the Principals' meeting to discuss the key points. Right now I do not feel we can settle the agreement with these issues outstanding. Regards. Save

Dave Anderson

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On 20 Aug 2011, at 18:31, "Alastair Maclean" <Alastair.Maclean@edinburgh.gov.uk> wrote:

I am attaching a note of the big points which are outstanding on the contract. Some of these will, in all probability, need to be escalated to the principals meeting on Wednesday.

We are still awaiting the Infraco's drafting on the onstreet pricing schedule which is going to be critical and we are pressing for that as a matter of urgency - at the moment it is not possible to tell if anything else will fall out of that.

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