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**From:** Reeve W (Bill)  
**Sent:** 18 June 2010 08:19  
**To:** Morrissey J (Jerry)  
**Cc:** Querns R (Rodger)  
**Subject:** Re: Edinburgh Trams: Gogar/tram interface

Dear Jerry,

Very helpful: thank-you. I think what we might add to the mix is that CEC in effect needs to secure the consent of Scottish Ministers to proceed with any plan, given the current failure to comply with grant conditions. This, I believe, would give the opportunity for a condition to continued grant funding being a programme commitment to site access as Gogar as part of any revised deal.

Rodger - Before the meeting on Meeting on Monday, and perhaps informed by your visit today, it would be helpful to be reminded of our best estimate of Gogar station cost, including and broke down to show the element to be paid to tie/CEC.

Regards,

Bill Reeve

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**From:** Morrissey J (Jerry)  
**To:** Reeve W (Bill)  
**Cc:** Querns R (Rodger)  
**Sent:** Fri Jun 18 07:13:45 2010  
**Subject:** FW: Edinburgh Trams: Gogar/tram interface  
Bill,

Following up from conversation.

Rodger and I met with Ainslie last week to seek clarity and direction on the Gogar/tram interface. Ainslie's e-mail reflects our discussion.

A key missing piece of the jigsaw is that we do need to obtain from CEC the tram opening date. The current Gogar construction period is around 14 months, so working back from whatever end date CEC can achieve through their negotiations with Bilfinger is the site access date for NR.

I can't see CEC providing a guarantee to open Gogar at the same time as Trams. Potentially we may be exposed to additional claims from either NR ('frustrated' site access) or Bilfinger.

We could try and use a 'side agreement' with all parties and we might align key construction/milestone dates (subject to knowing when the trams will be operational), but at best, I suspect, they would only to agree 'reasonable endeavours'. CEC would require an instruction from us to ensure that Gogar is fully integrated with their current commercial discussions. However, before any agreement is reached between CEC and Bilfinger we would need to have visibility of any potential additional costs.

The site visit today may inform more flexible timescales for the construction period.

Thanks

Jerry

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**From:** McLaughlin AC (Ainslie)  
**Sent:** 16 June 2010 13:54  
**To:** Middleton DF (David); Reeve W (Bill); Ramsay J (John)  
**Cc:** Morrissey J (Jerry); Querns R (Rodger)  
**Subject:** RE: Edinburgh Trams: Meeting request for 21 June 2010

David

Probably not for the briefing note but we have still to bottom out how we might meet the Cab Sec's desire to ensure that Gogar Station is in place by the time the trams are up and running.

I raised this with RJ last week and he told me that tie's negotiations with BSC on the so called Project Carlisle do not take account of the work required to integrate the Gogar Station works. We will need to instruct them to add this in. As far as I can gather it needs Bilfinger to design and build the realigned track and a major retaining wall. Rodger can confirm the extent of the works required but we will need to get that into any deal struck between tie and Bilfinger to ensure that it doesn't come unstuck because of us asking afterwards for extra work to be done.

However, that in itself would not guarantee that the Station would be delivered in time for the tram opening. RJ reckons that if they can get a deal with Bilfinger to complete the works to Haymarket then they could have trams running by mid 2012. That would mean Network Rail would need access for their contractor by around Spring 2011 but we cannot hold them or tie to that contractually. If we forced NR to start and tie were not clear of the site we could face claims for additional costs and delays from both the Station and the tram contractor. There is no easy way round this.

I am due to go out on Friday with Rodger and Jerry to have a look at the Gogar site to a get a better feel for the access constraints.

Ainslie

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**From:** Middleton DF (David)  
**Sent:** 16 June 2010 11:38  
**To:** Reeve W (Bill); Ramsay J (John)  
**Cc:** McLaughlin AC (Ainslie); Morrissey J (Jerry)  
**Subject:** Re: Edinburgh Trams: Meeting request for 21 June 2010

Bil - no problem with that as I see that as part of factual background. I can see that it might be seen as more than that but I just don't think it would be helpful to start to speculate as to what we might/might not do in the light of the latest position.

David

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**From:** Reeve W (Bill)  
**To:** Middleton DF (David); Ramsay J (John)  
**Cc:** McLaughlin AC (Ainslie); Morrissey J (Jerry)  
**Sent:** Wed Jun 16 11:27:50 2010  
**Subject:** RE: Edinburgh Trams: Meeting request for 21 June 2010

Dear David,

I do think it would be helpful to set out briefly the strict legal options concerning the grant letter arising from the CEC letter sent last week so that the Cab Sec is informed prior to the discussion. My note of last week did state that we were taking legal advice and would provide further briefing.

Regards,

Bill R.

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**From:** Middleton DF (David)  
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**To:** Ramsay J (John)  
**Cc:** Reeve W (Bill); McLaughlin AC (Ainslie); Morrissey J (Jerry)  
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John

I would not have thought briefing need be extensive. It could

- Remind them briefly of where we have reached factually
- Provide him with one or two questions he might raise with RJ – principally where have you got to, where will it go in the next couple of weeks

I would not get into advice about what Scottish Ministers could/should do in the event of various scenarios. That may be commissioned and could be discussed in the margins.

We might however provide updated lines for him to consider in the light of media inquiries after the meeting and for possible use after the Council meeting.

David

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**From:** Ogilvie M (Morag) **On Behalf Of** Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Sustainable Growth  
**Sent:** 15 June 2010 11:11  
**To:** Ramsay J (John)  
**Cc:** Cabinet Secretary for Finance and Sustainable Growth; Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Climate Change; Reeve W (Bill); Middleton DF (David); McLaughlin AC (Ainslie); Morrissey J (Jerry)  
**Subject:** FW: Edinburgh Trams: Meeting request for 21 June 2010

John

I have had accepts from Richard Jeffrey and David Mackay. Please can you provide briefing for this meeting to both Mr Swinney and Mr Stevenson, if possible by Thursday 17<sup>th</sup>.

Morag

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**From:** Ramsay J (John)  
**Sent:** 03 June 2010 14:45  
**To:** Minister for Transport, Infrastructure and Climate Change  
**Subject:** FW: Edinburgh Trams: Meeting request for 21 June 2010

FAO Dario / Melissa

please see below to coordinate Mr Stevenson's diary for this meeting.

Any problems just give me a ring - mobile's best

cheers

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**From:** Ramsay J (John)  
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**Cc:** Reeve W (Bill); Middleton DF (David); McLaughlin AC (Ainslie); Morrissey J (Jerry)  
**Subject:** Edinburgh Trams: Meeting request for 21 June 2010

Morag

This morning, we discussed the possibility of fixing a date a meeting on 21 June 2010 with Mr Swinney to advise him of developments since the last meeting on 26 May 2010 and ahead of the full Edinburgh City Council meeting, scheduled for 24 June 2010. I can confirm the attendance of David Middleton, Bill Reeve and Ainslie McLaughlin.

You also advised that if Mr Stevenson's presence was necessary then the meeting would have to be re-scheduled for 1600 hrs rather than 1500hrs to accommodate his diary. I have not yet had confirmation from Stevenson's office regarding his availability, but 1600 hrs suits Transport

Scotland and given the constraints on the Cabinet Secretary's diary, I think we should firm up on the 1600 hrs slot for this date.

Please let me know if there are any difficulties with these arrangements

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