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Jason, Kim, Alan

I write to express my extreme disappointment with respect to the planned meeting for this afternoon to discuss the proposed Tram Design Working Group (TDWG) site visit on Wednesday 1 November. Having been assured that your staff would be presenting the material which will be used next week, Paul Wilson came to me five minutes before the meeting to advise that this was not yet available.

We had originally been assured that SDS would be presenting their first Planning Applications at the meeting on Wednesday (indeed Jason you committed to this during the last TDWG) but were advised earlier in the week that this is not now to be the case, hence we agreed to utilise this meeting with a further consideration of the Roseburn Corridor.

Early experience of the TDWG has shown the importance of getting agreement on presentation material ahead of it going to the formal group and clearly if there is to be any scope for updating it is vital that you present this information to **tie** a realistic period in advance of the meeting which has led to our having this meeting a week ahead of TDWG. In this case your staff were unavailable for this meeting and we agreed that we reconvene this afternoon. We have now been asked to slip this to Monday which leaves little time for any amendments which may be necessary.

Given that SDS have for a considerable time been saying that you will be bringing forward sample / test prior approval applications it is disappointing that these are now not being delivered on Wednesday. I am very concerned about the impression which this continued delay is making on the planners who are anxious to understand exactly what you will be submitting. Indeed whilst you repeatedly assure us that you view this as important aspect of the project these assurances do not appear to be supported by your actions and I fear may begin to sound hollow to the planners if they do not see considerable progress very soon. I look forward to seeing actions to achieve this.

Regards

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