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Cc: Colin Smith; Rona Curran; Tricia Brocklebank

Subject: Confidential - Leith Tram Proofing

Sue – I briefed Lesley on this and just need a steer from you as to how best to take this forward? The issues are;

- Lesley feels strongly that the poor quality work done by TIE/MUDFA contractors cannot go unpunished. I advised that I believe preparatory work has been done on the possibility of pursuing "someone" but not quite sure where this is at. I think Lesley rightly feels that the bad things didn't happen on our watch but if we "sit on" the information we may get blamed when it eventually comes to light.
- I think both you and Lesley have asked for a more detailed briefing on the recent report that we commissioned. Lesley would be happy to do that as a single meeting and was hoping to do it before Xmas (Lesley is working until COP Monday). Not sure if you would prefer a separate briefing first and I suspect timing is tricky anyway?
- I explained that at face value the £16m+ cost of doing the civils now appears prohibitive. I think
 Lesley would like to discuss that more fully before completely writing that notion off and, again would
 welcome a discussion with all of us on that point. Colin is looking at the remaining cost of go-live (ie over
 and above the civils) as I would guess that if it is minimal (since we have trams, tracks etc) we may find
 the cost OK in return for an operational line? At face value the business case is only a small net gain for
 TfE as tram increased passengers are largely at expense of LB.

So, in summary, the need for some discussions on these big issues and would welcome a steer on how you would them handled.

Hope this makes sense.

Thanks

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