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From: 38(1)(b)
Sent: 06 December 2018 10:09
To: 38(1)(b)
Subject: IMPACT

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From: 38(1)(b)
Sent: 21 November 2018 11:26
To: 38(1)(b)
Subject: RE: IMPACT Centre

Thanks, 38(1)(b). That sounds sensible.

Kind regards

38(1)(b)| Policy Manager

Culture and Historic Environment Division
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w: www.gov.scot/historicenvironment

From: 38(1)(b)
Sent: 21 November 2018 11:25
To: 38(1)(b)
Cc: 38(1)(b)
Subject: RE: IMPACT Centre

Morning,

I have spoken to 38(1)(b) about this.

For planning cases, if we think there is a reason the Minister cannot take the decision (most commonly constituency cases) we notify the Minister that we've received a case and alert him that we will be asking the Cabinet Secretary to take the decision. We then ensure that the Minister is not copied in to any correspondence or submissions on that particular case. The submission will then explain the reason why the Minister is not taking the decision. We do not alert the Minister for Parliamentary Business to this process.

From the information below, it looks as though this case is at an early stage and we understand HES has been consulted. It is therefore likely to be several months away from a decision by the authority and potential notification to us. I therefore, suggest that we take no action now. We can track the application to see if HES do object and if it looks as though it may come our way, we can check at that time if the Cab Sec wishes us to put something on file to confirm that she won't take the decision, or is happy to wait until it comes in.

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From: 38(1)(b)

Sent: 20 November 2018 17:13
To: 38(1)(b)
Cc: 38(1)(b)
Subject: RE: IMPACT Centre

Thanks 38(1)(b) and apologies for not being as on top of this issue in recent weeks.

Will obviously wait for input from PAD colleagues but from my perspective that looks to be the most sensible approach.

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From: 38(1)(b)
Sent: 20 November 2018 15:14
To: 38(1)(b)
Cc: 38(1)(b)
Subject: FW: IMPACT Centre

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38(1)(b) just asked me to take this forward as I'm more familiar with the issues. Reading back over this chain, it occurs to me that the Cab Sec CTEA's involvement would be limited to a decision on whether to call in any application, which would only happen if HES were to object – I understand HES are currently considering planning and LBC applications which CEC have shared with them as a statutory consultee.

Since it would be for PAD colleagues to do that advice, with input from CHED on whether there were any issues of national significance and since Cab Sec CTEA has stated she wishes to debar herself, it would seem most appropriate for you to draft a minute for her or 38(1)(b) to send to the Minister for Parliamentary Business / Cabinet secretariat, proposing that 38(1)(b) will take the PAD advice on this case, in the event that it is necessary.

Can you let me know if that sounds sensible to you and what help you would be looking for from CHED?

Very happy to discuss if helpful.

Thanks

38(1)(b)Policy Manager

Culture and Historic Environment Division

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From: 38(1)(b)
Sent: 20 November 2018 10:59
To: 38(1)(b)
Subject: FW: IMPACT Centre

Thanks

From: 38(1)(b)
Sent: 09 November 2018 09:56
To: 38(1)(b)
Subject: RE: IMPACT Centre

38(1)(b) – did you manage to get anywhere with this in the end?

From: 38(1)(b)
Sent: 16 October 2018 12:46
To: 38(1)(b)
Subject: RE: IMPACT Centre

It wasn't 38(1)(b) who called me back.

From: 38(1)(b)
Sent: 16 October 2018 10:29
To: 38(1)(b)
Subject: RE: IMPACT Centre

Thanks 38(1)(b) – have you got to hand 38(1)(b).

38(1)(b)

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From: 38(1)(b)
Sent: 15 October 2018 13:35
To: 38(1)(b)
Subject: FW: IMPACT Centre

This may also be helpful.

I did ask the Cabinet, Parliament and Governance team for guidance, but it turns out it should have been the Parliament Legislation team I should contact and I spoke to 38(1)(b). There doesn't appear to be a formal process. I'm just wondering what has been done previously.

Thanks

38(1)(b)

From: 38(1)(b)
Sent: 28 August 2018 14:28
To: 38(1)(b)
Cc: 38(1)(b)
Subject: RE: IMPACT Centre

Hi 38(1)(b)

The Cab Sec would be able to debar herself from taking any decisions, in the same way that the Minister for Local Government in Planning has done so in the past. A recent example was a controversial case in Aberdeen which the Minister had supported prior to becoming Planning Minister. In that case, the Cabinet Secretary for Communities took the decision on the case rather than the Planning Minister.

The Ministerial Code sets out further details on Ministers' role with planning applications (Section 8) – although much of the information relates to constituency interests rather than portfolio interests.

I would suggest that you would be best to speak to the Cabinet, Parliament and Governance team for guidance– from a quick look at the staff directory, it looks like 38(1)(b) are responsible for giving protocol advice to Ministers and policy areas.

Sorry to not be more helpful

38(1)(b)

From: 38(1)(b)
Sent: 22 August 2018 13:04
To: 38(1)(b)
Subject: IMPACT Centre

Dear 38(1)(b)

Our team is the link to the new IMPACT Centre development, which will be going to City of Edinburgh Council planning this week. Our key involvement is through the Scottish Chamber Orchestra, one of

the National Performing Companies that we fund, as this development will create a new much needed home and rehearsal space for them.

Discussions on this have been on-going for several years, and the opportunity to create a new concert hall on the site behind the RBS building on St Andrew's square has been made possible through the gift of land by RBS and generous capital and revenue support from the Dunard Fund. Funding from the Scottish Government has been made possible through the Edinburgh and South East Scotland City Region Deal, with SG committing to £10m support, UK Government has matched this, and the City of Edinburgh Council are providing £5m.

Our next step is to try and understand a little more clearly Ms Hyslop's role as the project progresses. She has publicly supported this project, as have FM and Mr Brown, however she has the possibly conflicting role as you know with HES. She is keen to understand what the process should be going forward, and we too would appreciate any advice you could offer in terms of comms, and possibly other areas we haven't thought of yet. Ms Hyslop has mentioned to us that she feels she should potentially debar herself from any decision making. We've had an initial discussion with 38(1)(b), and she recommended that we contact you directly.

[Not in scope of request]

Thank you in advance for your time on this – I'd be more than happy to chat it through with you both at your convenience.

With best wishes,

38(1)(b)

From: 38(1)(b)
Sent: 21 June 2017 13:34
To: Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs
Cc: 38(1)(b)
Subject: Letter from Keith Brown MSP

38(1)(b)

I would be grateful if you could share the attached letter with Ms Hyslop, as an update on the Edinburgh and South East Scotland City Region Deal.

We are working with the Scottish Government Region and City Partnerships Team to establish:

- A timeline for announcements;
- Confirmation of levels of support for IMPACT;
- [Not in scope of request]

[Not in scope of request]

The City Partnerships Team is now hoping for a conclusion to the Heads of Terms in July, following the Queen's speech and the CEC administration being formed.

We will send further updates as budget negotiations with UKG and SO progress.

38(1)(b)

From: 38(1)(b) Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Jobs and Fair Work
Sent: 21 June 2017 11:25
To: Secretary of State - Scotland
Cc: UK Relations Mailbox; First Minister; Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Jobs and Fair Work
Subject: RE: Letter from Keith Brown MSP

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38(1)(b)

Keith Brown MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Jobs and Fair Work

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[letter redacted 38(1)(b), 28(1)]

From: 38(1)(b)
Sent: 15 October 2018 16:17
To: 38(1)(b)
Cc: 38(1)(b)
Subject: Scottish Chamber Orchestra - Impact Centre

38(1)(b)
The application for planning permission and change of use for the IMPACT Centre ('involving the erection of music and performing arts venue with licensed café/restaurant and bar facilities') is currently before the City of Edinburgh Council. I attach a link to the case <https://citydev-portal.edinburgh.gov.uk/idoxpa-web/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=PDYP7REWL3K00>

There is also an article (below) on this, and we are aware there will be a couple of major objections. In case we are approached on this matter, planning colleagues have provided their standard line:

'This is a matter for the Council in the first instance and Ministers and officials cannot comment on the merits of this application as that could prejudice the outcome of the decision making process.'

We'll let you know how it all progresses. 38(1)(b) has given Ms Hyslop an update.

With best wishes,

38(1)(b)

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From: 38(1)(b)
Sent: 29 March 2017 13:01
To: Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Jobs and Fair Work ; 38(1)(b)
Cc: 38(1)(b)
Subject: RE: IMPACT Scotland

Hi 38(1)(b)

Thanks – really pleased with this response!

I'm happy to be involved in any meeting and would be good to extend to Ms Hyslop too so we can try to move this back into her space whilst acknowledging the city deal process.

Thanks

38(1)(b)

From: 38(1)(b) **On Behalf Of** Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Jobs and Fair Work
Sent: 29 March 2017 12:57
To: 38(1)(b)
Cc: 38(1)(b)
Subject: FW: IMPACT Scotland

38(1)(b),

Please see response

I look to set up a meeting after recess.

Thanks

38(1)(b)

38(1)(b) | Deputy Private Secretary to Keith Brown MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Jobs and Fair Work

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38(1)(b)

From: 38 (1)(b)
Sent: 29 March 2017 12:48
To: Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Jobs and Fair Work
Cc: 38(1)(b)
Subject: IMPACT Scotland

To
Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Jobs & Fair Work

From
38(1)(b) Chair, IMP ACT Scotland

Dear Keith

Thank you for your letter of today's date.

I also want to record my appreciation to 38(d)(b) and 38(d)(b) for their patient understanding of our need for assurance in deciding whether we can move to the next stage of the project with confidence that public sector support will be provided.

30(b)(ii) We decided this morning that we will proceed with the process to select an architect-led design team and would expect to be in a position to announce a winner towards the end of April.

You very kindly say that you would be happy to discuss things further. Would it be possible to get a date in the diary for us to meet towards the end of April 28(1). I will also be seeking confirmation from Edinburgh Council of their commitment and whether the May elections could cause us any problems.

38(d)(b)

On 29 Mar 2017, at 09:35, wrote:

Good morning

Please find the attached letter from Keith Brown, MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Jobs and Fair Work.

Kind regards

38(1)(b)

Assistant Private Secretary (Correspondence)

Minister for Business, Innovation and Energy / Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Jobs and Fair Work

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Sent: 22 February 2017 16:54
To: 38(1)(b) 38(1)(b) 38(1)(b) Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs

Cc: 38(1)(b)
Subject: RE: IMPACT Scotland

Hi 38(1)(b)

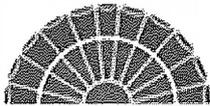
Thanks for this – very helpful. I'll keep you updated on any conversations/ progress within SG.

Best,

38(1)(b)

(Copying the Cabinet Secretary's updated email address)

38(1)(b)
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From: 38(1)(b)
Sent: 22 February 2017 16:47
To: 38(1)(b); zzzCabinet Secretary for Culture, Europe and External Affairs 2014 to 2016
Cc: 38(1)(b)
Subject: IMPACT Scotland

To the Cabinet Secretary, Culture

IMPACT Scotland

We thought it might be helpful to update you on the progress we have made since our meeting at Holyrood on 6 October

Announcement

The public announcement on 16 November was very well received. The board of the Queens Hall were appreciative that the SCO had informed them of the plan in advance of the announcement.

RBS

RBS and IMPACT Scotland continue to collaborate in order to achieve a home for the SCO, with excellent acoustics; and also robust enough to ensure there will be "something for everyone" and will adapt to and serve the many and assorted EIF performers and attract visiting music groups, from a very broad range of genres. Discussions with RBS have highlighted the important role of Edinburgh's Festivals and the value that the new facilities will have in sustaining Edinburgh's preeminent role as a Festival City for all the people and for the engagement with Scotland and the wider UK.

Purchase of 35 St Andrew Square

Dunard Fund expects to complete the purchase from RBS by the end of March

Acoustician

Following a competition, Nagata Acoustics (headed by Dr Toyota) were appointed to be a key part of IMPACT Scotland's team with responsibility for delivering the acoustic brief for the auditorium and rehearsal hall.

Architect-led design team

In December, expressions of interest were invited from architects with the objective of establishing a short list based on design capability and design delivery. A short list of six (from Scotland, London, Switzerland and Canada) selected by the jury panel visited the site on 2 February and were briefed on the project. Interviews to select the winner will be held on 7 April. 30(b)(ii), 28(1)

Fundraising

A fundraising reference group under the chairmanship of 38(1)(b) has been established. (see Governance below) and the Case for Support is at an advanced stage. A very experienced fund-raiser started work on 1 January. Because he is winding down a current assignment, he will progress from 1 day a week in the first quarter of 2017 increasing to 4 days in the fourth quarter. He has accepted the remit of raising £10 million.

Branding and website

In January, Union (Edinburgh) were appointed following a competition and given the brief of establishing an identity and website for IMPACT Scotland

Charitable status

OSCR approval was received in October; HMRC approval was received in February

Governance

We have established "reference groups" under the IMPACT Scotland board for fund-raising (see above), relationship with RBS, selection of project architect/design team, relationship with Nagata Acoustics, relationship with architect and contractor, planning & programming, public relations & communications, and use of number 35. The chairs of each of these groups have been tasked with bringing their remits to the March board. In February, we agreed that 38(1)(b) chief executive of NYCOS and 38(1)(b) of Celtic Connections should be invited to join the IMPACT Scotland project board.

City Region Deal

In November, the IMPACT Project board set itself the objective of getting the public sector element of the project (£25m out of a total project value 30(b)(ii)) confirmed by the end of March 2017. This would give the board sufficient confidence that it could announce the appointment of an architect-led design team following the interviews by the judging panel on 7 April.

Because we have no direct involvement in the process, the board asked its chair, 38(1)(b), to lead on ensuring the various public sector stakeholders were aware of IMPACT Scotland's plans and timetable.

30(b)(ii), 28(1)

Scotland Office

38(1)(b) and 38(1)(b) briefed David Mundell in mid February. 30(b)(ii), 28(1)

HM Treasury

On the introduction of 38(1)(b), the recently retired Permanent Secretary, 38(1)(b) met 38(1)(b), Deputy Director, Devolution on 7 February.

30(b)(ii), 28(1)

He encouraged us to arrange a meeting with Keith Brown.

Scottish Government

38(1)(b) had a very helpful meeting with 38(1)(b) at the end of January and has maintained email contact with her, including the timing of a meeting with Keith Brown. The SCO have been keeping 38(1)(b) and his team informed,

38(1)(b) also had meetings in January with 38(1)(b), chief executive of Creative Scotland and 38(1)(b), Scotland Office

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Sent: 14 April 2017 15:30
To: Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Jobs and Fair Work
Cc: 38(1)(b)
Subject: FW: IMPACT Scotland

Hi 38(1)(b)

See below - I said I'd pass on the meeting request. It would be good to involve Ms Hyslop too to ensure it's still kept in a 'culture space' despite it also being city deal.

28(1)

Thanks

38(1)(b)

-----Original Message-----

From: 38(1)(b)
Sent: 10 April 2017 22:02
To: 38(1)(b)
Cc: 38(1)(b)
Subject: IMPACT Scotland

38(1)(b)

We judged the short-listed architects on Friday and have a clear winner. OJEU procurement rules give the 5 losers a period to object should any of them feel that the process was flawed - and it will therefore be the end of April before the winner is announced.

You kindly indicated that you would try to arrange for me to meet with Keith Brown in the second half of April to get a progress update on the City Region Deal.

I appreciate that any announcement of a Deal would be after the local elections - but it would be hugely helpful for us to get a steer on whether our project will definitely be part of the package 30(b)(ii)

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-----Original Message-----

From: 38(1)(b) Sent: 2038(1)(b) July 2017 07:41

To:

All,

I am delighted to confirm today's announcement by the Scottish and UK Governments of an Edinburgh City Deal, which included

"Both Governments will provide up to £10m each (a maximum of £20m) of capital funding to support the delivery of a new IMPACT Scotland concert hall that will reinforce Edinburgh's position as a pre-eminent Festival City."

This is a huge step forward for the project. To celebrate, I hope that you can come to The Hub Cafe on Tuesday 25 July at 5pm prompt for tea/coffee, cakes and thanks to everyone who has helped IMPACT Scotland get to this point.

Please let me know if you can (or can't) come.

38(1)(b)
Chairman

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From: 38(1)(b)
Sent: 20 July 2017 14:09
To: 38(1)(b)
Cc: 38(1)(b)
Subject: Edinburgh City Region Deal

Here is the final Heads of Terms signed today. Also attached is the event briefing for today, which includes Mr Brown's speech where he will confirm:

We will reinforce Edinburgh's reputation as a leading centre for music and the performing arts through investing in the proposed IMPACT project, working with existing philanthropic and commercial partners to deliver a new world-class performance venue in the heart of Edinburgh, and a new home for the Scottish Chamber Orchestra.

However in addition to the city deal we will also look at wider support for the Edinburgh Festivals, recognising the important contribution they make to the city region and for Scotland, in its 70th anniversary year.

[Out of scope of request]

With best wishes,

38(1)(b)

From: 38(1)(b)
Sent: 20 July 2017 12:12
To: 38(1)(b)
Cc: 38(1)(b)
Subject: Edinburgh City Region Deal

Colleagues

I now attach the final Heads of Terms which is due to be signed at 13.00 today. I also attach the event brief which provides a bit more detail in the Q&A section.

Thank you (from 38(1)(b)) for all your help to get us to this stage. The next stage will be to develop the detailed business cases and implementation plans ahead of developing and agreeing a formal deal document. I'd expect the next stage to take 6 months or so and we will again need your help to get there. We'll set up a briefing session in August to talk you through the detail of this and clarify next steps.

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Kind regards,

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From: 38(1)(b)
Sent: 22 March 2017 15:18
To: 38(1)(b)
Subject: Re: IMPACT

38(1)(b)

Firstly I can confirm that we are very happy for you to share our operational business plan with number 10 and any other relevant UK Government department.

As to the specific points raised, I can comment as follows:

1. Expected number of visitors to this venue per year: Based on the business plan including the use of the main auditorium, recital space and catering facilities, we estimate that there will be around 350,000 to 400,000 visitors per year when fully operational.
2. GVA impact of this project based on annual sales will be in the region of £1.5m to £2m per year when operational. In addition GVA created during the design and construction phase will be around £45m.
3. Jobs impact of this project: The venue, when operational will directly employ 26 full time and 6 part time people. In addition there will be significant employment during the construction phase and there will be continuing employment gains for the supply, hotel and tourism sectors during both construction and operating phases.
4. Any other economic data: It is worth noting that the intention is to allow free use of the venue for educational purposes which is not included in the GVA figure above. In addition the whole project will lead to organisation building for both the SCO and EIF by way of increased opportunities for fund raising, ticket sales etc. Also the attraction of UK and International touring companies will create even further economic advantages for the area and the Festival City.

Please don't hesitate to let me know if you have any questions on the above or require any further information.

38(1)(b)

From: 38(1)(b)

Sent: 22 March 2017 10:09

To: 38(1)(b)

Subject: IMPACT

Thanks for such an enlightening conversation! It all sounds very positive.

Here is the information we are being asked for by Number 10, it would be great if we can also share the wider business plan too as it really demonstrates the huge amount of work that's been undertaken to date.

I believe they would like information today, however we could always provide what we have today and then perhaps give a date on when they could receive more?

With many thanks,

38(1)(b)

- Expected number of visitors to this venue per year
- GVA impact of this project
- Jobs impact of this project
- Any other economic data

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Sent: 15 June 2017 17:11
To: 38(1)(b)
Subject: FW: For urgent clearance - festivals debate/IMPACT - city deal

38(1)(b) o/r

Just noticed you slipped off the copy list.

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From: 38(1)(b)
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To: 38(1)(b)
Cc: 38(1)(b)
Subject: RE: For urgent clearance - festivals debate/IMPACT - city deal

City deal colleagues,

38(1)(b) at the Times is asking for a timescale for the City Deal negotiations to be wrapped up? He essentially wants to include a line in his article on when we can expect to find out whether the IMPACT project is in line for some funding.

What can we say?

Thanks

38(1)(b).

From: 38(1)(b)
Sent: 15 June 2017 16:39
To: Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Jobs and Fair Work; Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs; Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs
Cc: 38(1)(b)
Subject: RE: For urgent clearance - festivals debate/IMPACT - city deal

To advise the final version of the news release has now issued and is online at:
<https://news.gov.scot/news/proposal-for-new-edinburgh-performance-venue>

From: Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Jobs and Fair Work
Sent: 15 June 2017 14:57
To: Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs; 38(1)(b) Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs
Cc: 38(1)(b)
Subject: Re: For urgent clearance - festivals debate/IMPACT - city deal

As is Mr Brown.

38(1)(B)

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38(1)(b)

From: Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs
Sent: Thursday, 15 June 2017 14:54
To: 38(1)(b) Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs; Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Jobs and Fair Work
Cc: 38(1)(b)
Subject: RE: For urgent clearance - festivals debate/IMPACT - city deal

38(1)(b),

Ms Hyslop is content with the NR.

Regards

38(1)(b) | Deputy Private Secretary
Office of **Fiona Hyslop**, Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs
Telephone: 38(1)(b)

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From: 38(1)(b)
Sent: 15 June 2017 14:36
To: Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs; Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Jobs and Fair Work
Cc: 38(1)(b)
Subject: For urgent clearance - festivals debate/IMPACT - city deal

P/S Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs
P/S Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Jobs and Fair Work

As you are aware, Ms Hyslop's opening speech for this afternoon's festivals debate has been revised to reference the SG's support for IMPACT's Edinburgh concert hall proposal, in light of an amendment referencing the UK's support for the project to be included in the Edinburgh city deal. Detail is at the foot of this email.

We have drafted the below news release to highlight this update, and intend to issue as soon as possible after Ms Hyslop has referenced in the chamber.

I would be grateful for clearance from both Cabinet Secretaries asap.

Thanks

38(1)(b).

Proposal for new Edinburgh performance venue

Call for auditorium to be included in City Region Deal.

The Scottish Government is keen to see proposals for a new performance venue in Edinburgh included in the forthcoming City Region Deal, Culture Secretary Fiona Hyslop confirmed today.

The charitable trust IMPACT Scotland and Scottish Chamber Orchestra are behind a proposal to create a new 1000 seat world-class auditorium in St Andrew's Square, which would become the new home of the SCO as well as a venue for wider musical performances, conferences and public educational engagement. The venue would also be used during August each year by the Edinburgh International Festival.

Speaking in a debate to highlight the importance of the Edinburgh Festivals in the 70th anniversary since they were founded, Ms Hyslop said:

“The Scottish Government has been a strong supporter and fully engaged in the development of the proposed IMPACT performance venue since initial conversations back in 2013 when I met with the donors and Royal Bank of Scotland. We saw great value in the proposal and subsequently funded the initial feasibility study conducted by the Scottish Chamber Orchestra. Since then, we have been in discussion with partners involved in the Edinburgh and South East Scotland City Region Deal to secure their support for the venue, and I'm pleased that these negotiations have progressed to this stage with the UK Government now confirming its support.

“This project will secure a critical new performance venue in the centre of Edinburgh; provide a home for the Scottish Chamber Orchestra; and will be used exclusively for Festival performances in August. The economic and cultural inclusion benefits of such a venue will be felt widely across Edinburgh and its surrounding Regions, and reach out across Scotland to build new audiences by embracing a variety of musical genres.

“In the face of increasing national and international competition, this support will optimise Edinburgh's position as an international Festival City and Scotland's reputation as a leading centre for music and the performing arts, and be truly transformational for a wide range of communities in terms of reach, innovation, quality and impact.”

Background

City Region Deals in Scotland establish new collaborative regional partnerships, focused on long-term strategic approaches to improving regional economies.

The Edinburgh and South East Scotland City Region comprises six local authorities (City of Edinburgh Council, Scottish Borders Council, Fife Council, Midlothian Council, East Lothian Council and West Lothian Council). They have joined together with the region's five universities, five colleges and the business community to develop an interconnected set of proposals that they consider will deliver a positive step change to the regional economy over the next 10 years.

We are currently in the advanced stages of detailed discussion with the city region partners and the UK Government as we further develop the proposals and negotiate towards a Heads of Terms agreement. The scale of the ambition of the deal and the projects included within it will be subject to negotiation between the partners and Governments.

More information about City Region Deals is available at: <http://www.gov.scot/Topics/Built-Environment/Cities>

From: 38(1)(b) **On Behalf Of** Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs
Sent: 15 June 2017 11:53
To: 38(1)(b) Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs
Cc: 38(1)(b)
Subject: RE: Debate on Edinburgh Festivals; Motion amend on IMPACT

38(1)(b),

30(b)(ii) suggested form of words into the speech below in red.

Regards

38(1)(b) | Deputy Private Secretary
Office of **Fiona Hyslop**, **Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs**
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From: 38(1)(b)
Sent: 15 June 2017 11:12
To: Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs
Cc: 38(1)(b)
Subject: Debate on Edinburgh Festivals; Motion amend on IMPACT
Importance: High

PS/Ms Hyslop

Can you please provide Mr Brown's office with the Amend put forward by Gordon Linhurst as follows and ensure he is content with the following text within the opening speech at the debate this afternoon.

25(1)

S5M-06073.1 Gordon Lindhurst: Recognise and Celebrate Edinburgh's International Festivals in their 70th Anniversary Year— As an amendment to motion S5M-06073 in the name of Fiona Hyslop (Recognise and Celebrate Edinburgh's International Festivals in their 70th Anniversary), insert at end ", and welcomes UK Government proposals to support the development of the new Edinburgh Concert Hall under Edinburgh's City Deal." - CONSERVATIVE

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[http://www.scotland.org/assets/International_Narrative_Mar_2016 - Culture - print ready - FINAL.pdf](http://www.scotland.org/assets/International_Narrative_Mar_2016_-_Culture_-_print_ready_-_FINAL.pdf)

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From: 38(1)(b)
Sent: 15 May 2017 10:21
To: 38(1)(b)
Cc: 38(1)(b)
Subject: RE: Edinburgh meeting on culture

Hi 38(1)(b)

Agree that a chat would be useful but I think diaries are difficult for this week. I have copied in the relevant leads.

38(1)(b) will be attending your chat with the partners on Wednesday.

38(1)(b) | Region and City Partnerships Team | Scottish Government | 38(1)(b)

From: 38(1)(b)
Sent: 15 May 2017 10:19
To: 38(1)(b)
Cc: 38(1)(b)
Subject: RE: Edinburgh meeting on culture

Dear both,

We spoke recently about the above and that unfortunately SG culture policy leads are unable to make a meeting on the 17th. We agreed that it may be helpful if SG and DCMS culture leads had a conversation. Have you had any joy in nailing down some availability? I appreciate this may be tricky to do at such short notice...but never say never and all that! To this end, is it worth adding your culture leads onto this email chain and seeing if we can agree a time....potentially tomorrow? Relevant DCMS colleagues are al copied.

Many thanks,

38(1)(b)

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From: 38(1)(b)
Sent: 21 June 2017 13:34
To: Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs
Cc: 38(1)(b)
Subject: Letter from Keith Brown MSP

38(1)(b),

I would be grateful if you could share the attached letter with Ms Hyslop, as an update on the Edinburgh and South East Scotland City Region Deal.

We are working with the Scottish Government Region and City Partnerships Team to establish:

- A timeline for announcements;
- Confirmation of levels of support for IMPACT;
- [Not in scope of request]

[Not in scope of request]

The City Partnerships Team is now hoping for a conclusion to the Heads of Terms in July, following the Queen's speech and the CEC administration being formed.

We will send further updates as budget negotiations with UKG and SO progress.

38(1)(b)

From: 38(1)(b) **On Behalf Of** Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Jobs and Fair Work
Sent: 21 June 2017 11:25
To: Secretary of State - Scotland
Cc: UK Relations Mailbox; First Minister; Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Jobs and Fair Work
Subject: RE: Letter from Keith Brown MSP

Dear Secretary of State/PS

Please find attached a letter from Keith Brown MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Jobs and Fair Work regarding the Edinburgh and South East Scotland City Region Deal.

Kind regards

38(1)(b)

38(1)(b) | Deputy Private Secretary to Keith Brown MSP, Cabinet Secretary for Economy, Jobs and Fair Work
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<< File: Edinburgh City Deal - Letter from Mr Brown to Mr Mundell - 20 June 2017.pdf >>

From: 38(1)(b)

Sent: 25/01/2017 13:04

SUBJECT: RE: OFFICIAL-SENSITIVE Edinburgh City Region Deal

PS/CabSec

38(1)(b) – we spoke

I have added an additional parag 10 30 (b)ii

Given that 38(1)(b) has not yet seen the papers, grateful if you could use this updated version.

Regards,
38(1)(b)

PLEASE NOTE NEW PHONE NUMBER

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From: 38(1)(b)
On Behalf Of Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs
Sent: 24 April 2017 14:42
To: 38(1)(b)

Subject: FW: Call with Ms Hyslop regarding IMPACT

38(1)(b)

Please see below email from Lord Dunlop's office regarding tomorrow's phone call which will now no longer be going ahead.

Kind regards
38(1)(b)

38(1)(b)
Office of Fiona Hyslop, Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs

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From: 38(1)(b)
PuSoS - Scotland
Sent: 24 April 2017 14:28
To: Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs
Subject: RE: Call with Ms Hyslop regarding IMPACT

Dear 38(1)(b)

Unfortunately there has been a change in Lord Dunlop's diary and he is no longer able to take this call with Ms Hyslop tomorrow afternoon.

Due to the upcoming election, at this stage I cannot offer any other times in the coming weeks as the Minister will be focused on campaigning. Perhaps we can revisit this in June/July once things have settled after the election? Please accept Lord Dunlop's apologies for any inconvenience caused.

Thanks in advance for your understanding.

Kind regards,

38(1)(b)



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From: 38(1)(b)
Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs
Sent: 07 April 2017 13:48
To: PuSoS - Scotland
Subject: Call with Ms Hyslop regarding IMPACT

Good afternoon,

I am looking to set up a call between Ms Hyslop and Lord Dunlop regarding IMPACT. I am aware that there is a call set up for Wednesday 19th April for another matter and we would like to keep the calls separate.

Can you please provide me with some availability for Lord Dunlop for w/b 17/04 and 24/04?

Kind regards
38(1)(b)
| Assistant Private Secretary (Diary)
Office of Fiona Hyslop, Cabinet Secretary for Culture, Tourism and External Affairs
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Sent: 25/01/2017 13:04

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PS/CabSec

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Regards,
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From: 38(1)(b)

Sent: 28 November 2018 10:51

To: 38(1)(b)

Cc: 38(1)(b)

Subject: [PROTECT] Draft covering reports for Joint Committee, including assurance checklist

38(1)(b)

Please find attached the five **draft** Joint Committee reports for our meeting on 17 December, which I understand that 38(1)(b) mentioned to you on the call yesterday. You will see that we have devised an assurance checklist, which should help to guide the members to understanding the key aspects of the business cases. These will also be helpful for auditing purposes.

Any thoughts welcome.

Regards,

38(1)(b)

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From: 38(1)(b)

Sent: 25/01/2017 13:03

To: 38(1)(b)

SUBJECT: OFFICIAL-SENSITIVE Edinburgh City Region Deal

PS/CabSec

38(1)(b)

I attach a 5 page submission for 38(1)(b) to update him on the current state of play regarding the Edinburgh and South East Scotland City Region Deal proposals. We have limited the copy list until we hear how he would like us to proceed.

Separately, I attach a table that sets out a bit more granularity on potential financial elements.

Regards,
38(1)(b)

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