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**Subject:** RE: Inverclyde consultation

Hi [REDACTED]

Weekend was good thanks and I hope yours was to.

We aren't allowed to consult until TS and SRH confirm there is funding to deliver the timetable we are consulting on – [REDACTED s30(b)(ii)]

Unfortunately I have no visibility on what has actually been discussed between SRH and TS, hence the informal request to [REDACTED] a couple of months ago to formally ask for this information.

We did try to draw the need to consult to a head with the March board paper. However, I was explicitly told not to proceed until SRH confirmed all required funding and consents were in place.

[REDACTED s30(b)(ii)]

Let me know if you need any more info.

Best wishes

Scott

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**Subject:** Inverclyde consultation

Hi Scott,

Hope you had a nice weekend.

We're still getting bits and bobs of correspondence on Inverclyde. What is the status with the consultation mentioned in the email below?

Many thanks,  
[REDACTED]

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**Subject:** RE: Levenmouth Service Specification - SRH/SRT/TS Discussion 25 July 2023 - Urgent Need To Find Way Forward

Dear [REDACTED]

Thank you again for a constructive discussion yesterday and working with us on a way forward.

ScotRail's responses to your queries are in red text below. Please note, I've added two important clarifications:

- ScotRail can mobilise to launch the timetable consultation in five weeks (this includes a pre-consultation with stakeholders). Stakeholders in Inverclyde are expecting a public consultation on planned timetable changes following introduction of the first phase of improvements in May 2023. With TS and SRH approval, ScotRail can mobilise to hold a local consultation on proposed service improvements in these areas by 28 September.

Hopefully all are clear but please do not hesitate to call if you need further information.

Thanks again and best wishes

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**Subject:** Levenmouth Service Specification - SRH/SRT/TS Discussion 25 July 2023 - Urgent Need To Find Way Forward

Dear All

From our discussions this morning, please find attached actions and key points only.

Thanks  
[REDACTED]

- SP to confirm SRT proposed arrangements (timeframe etc) for immediate public consultation of preferred TT option.

**Please note:** [REDACTED s30(b)(ii)] The first phase of a series of improvements was introduced to both routes in May 2022. This reduced journey times on the Ayr to Glasgow corridor and introduced consistent all day timetables in both regions by standardising journey times and calling patterns. ScotRail did not have approval to proactively consult these changes because the AO covering the short term costs of the final stage has not been approved. [Redacted s30 (b)(i)] ScotRail can mobilise to launch a targeted consultation for Inverclyde customers by 28 September without impact on the Fife consultation. We

recommend stakeholders in Inverclyde are briefed that a local timetable consultation will launch before end of September.

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