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Morning all,

Just to confirm, I've been advised Ms Regan is aware that this will be compressed but is content to continue with these dates.

Thanks,

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Hi [redacted – section 38(1)(b)],

Widening the copy list slightly to include PCO and SGLD colleagues.

The answer to your first question is yes – in order to have the parliamentary stages complete before summer recess we need the stage 1 debate to take place on 5 or 6 May. However, if the committee are not able to publish their report until 28 April, it would not be at all possible for us to respond to the report and brief the minister in advance of a debate on 3 May (and I am sure that, while we can suspend Standing Orders, reducing this to 2 sitting days might be pushing it)

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Importance: High

Hi all,

Apologies if I'm going over old ground here and sorry for the tight deadline but the Parliament's business team is looking for confirmation by 4.25pm that we're still looking for the Stage 1 deadline to be 6 May. As it's Local Gov elections on 5 May, that affects all party business that week so it'd mean the S1 debate will be 3 May.

As clerks think it's likely the S1 report will be published by committee on 28 April. With the public holiday on 2 May this only allows 2 sitting days between publication and debate (rather than 5) so SO would need to be suspended. However, we're not planning to ask that SOs are suspend until we know that the committee definitely needs two meetings to agree the report.

My urgent question to you is whether you're happy we agree to do the debate only 2 sitting days after the report is published. I'm aware Ministers are pushing for this to be done before summer recess so I don't see that pushing back the S21 deadline will be well received or agreed.

For awareness, there's no requirement to provide a full response to the report ahead of the debate but we can chat about that another day. **Are you happy that we confirm the deadline of 6 May with the business team and will your Minister be available on 3 May for the debate?**

Thanks,

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