

## Ms Todd's WhatsApp messages with Private Office

[22/07/2020, 12:29:02] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Hi Maree. Send video to me.  
[redacted – section 38(1)]

[22/07/2020, 12:30:00] Maree Todd: Done

[22/07/2020, 12:30:53] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Great stuff, thanks.

[23/07/2020, 10:16:54] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Hi. [redacted – section 38(1)] has sent statement for your clearance (10:14) ASAP please (will then go to FM for clearance).

[23/07/2020, 10:22:20] Maree Todd: Just checking it now, thanks [redacted – section 38(1)]

[23/07/2020, 10:34:31] Maree Todd: Restarting my computer, can't get connected

[23/07/2020, 10:56:00] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Thanks

[23/07/2020, 12:04:25] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Hi. Just a gentle reminder to join parliament bluejeans link at least 15mins before your statement starts at 14:55. I've also put in your diary. Thanks

[23/07/2020, 12:05:36] Maree Todd: I was planning to join early to watch DFM too. Hopefully they can switch off my camera & microphone until it's my turn. I'll check in with them at the time.

[23/07/2020, 12:06:07] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Good plan

[23/07/2020, 12:06:20] Maree Todd: We tested it Tue. All organised!

[23/07/2020, 12:07:58] [redacted – section 38(1)]: I'm not used to this from a Minister in recent times

[23/07/2020, 12:09:05] Maree Todd: [redacted – section 38(1)]

[23/07/2020, 12:09:33] [redacted – section 38(1)]

[23/07/2020, 12:46:00] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Final briefing pack sent 12:43. Statement cleared and now sent to Parly Business.

[23/07/2020, 14:18:07] Maree Todd: When will Skype be starting?

[23/07/2020, 14:24:54] [redacted – section 38(1)]: DFM's office are opening it up now. [23/07/2020, 14:26:44] Maree Todd: I'm in

[23/07/2020, 15:35:40] [redacted – section 38(1)]: thumbs up emoji

[23/07/2020, 16:07:34] Maree Todd: I'm heading to the beach with the dog. Doesn't look like anything is urgent? Will catch up later.

[23/07/2020, 16:09:12] [redacted – section 38(1)]

[23/07/2020, 16:15:15] [redacted – section 38(1)]: PS. Meet [redacted – section 38(1)] (and [redacted – section 38(1)]).

[23/07/2020, 16:18:34] Maree Todd: [redacted – section 38(1)]

[23/07/2020, 18:49:30] [redacted – section 38(1)]: [redacted – section 38(1)].

[23/07/2020, 18:50:46] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Only urgent submission for clearance by tomorrow morning is email sent 17:07. Thanks.

[24/07/2020, 12:27:03] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Hi. Just to let you know that the briefing for CERG mtg due 1300 today is in your SG Inbox and also Friday Briefing Folder (sent 11:37). Also now includes Zoom link.

[24/07/2020, 12:34:39] Maree Todd: Thanks

[13/08/2020, 17:35:45] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Hi. I've sent a comms request to your MSP account (17:28). Thanks

[13/08/2020, 17:49:00] Maree Todd: It's fine thanks. M

[13/08/2020, 17:49:15] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Great, thanks.

[14/08/2020, 11:23:10] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Hi. Officials looking to speak to you this afternoon about Children's Bill (I sent email to your SG account 11:20). If content, which time would suit you? Thanks

[14/08/2020, 11:26:07] Maree Todd: Yes, 2pm ok?

[14/08/2020, 11:42:17] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Yes. Will update diary (officials to confirm dial-in details shortly). Thanks

[14/08/2020, 13:15:12] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Hi. FYI - your regular catch up with [redacted – section 38(1)]has been moved from Monday to Tuesday (same time of 0945). Diary is updated.

[14/08/2020, 13:21:05] Maree Todd: Thanks [redacted – section 38(1)]

[14/08/2020, 13:21:47] Maree Todd: [redacted – section 38(1)]

[14/08/2020, 13:22:26] [redacted – section 38(1)]!

[14/08/2020, 13:23:45] [redacted – section 38(1)]

[14/08/2020, 13:25:20] Maree Todd: smiley face emoji

[14/08/2020, 13:26:18] Maree Todd: [redacted – section 38(1)] [14/08/2020, 13:37:56] [redacted – section 38(1)]

[14/08/2020, 16:01:40] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Hi. Line sent 1557 to MSP account for clearance. Thanks.

[14/08/2020, 16:03:32] Maree Todd: Yes that's fine, M

[14/08/2020, 16:03:44] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Great, thanks.

[14/08/2020, 18:50:32] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Hi. That's me on holiday now for just over a week. Going to the fishing lodge [redacted – section 38(1)]that's next to [redacted – section 38(1)]. Bring on the midges!

[14/08/2020, 18:51:43] Maree Todd: Excellent. Thanks [redacted – section 38(1)] & have a lovely time. At the moment there's enough of a breeze to keep the midges away. Near perfect! [14/08/2020, 18:52:38] [redacted – section 38(1)]: thumbs up and unidentified emoji

[14/08/2020, 18:59:29] Maree Todd: Who is going to be covering over the weekend? Just in case I need more info on the potential amendment for siblings on the children bill?

[14/08/2020, 19:16:36] [redacted – section 38(1)]: [redacted – section 38(1)] is back checking emails so all good on that front.

[14/08/2020, 19:17:08] Maree Todd: Excellent, thanks. M

[03/09/2020, 09:41:30] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Hi. Briefing for 10am mtg finally received and sent to you now.

[03/09/2020, 09:42:02] Maree Todd: Thanks

[03/09/2020, 11:01:05] Maree Todd: [redacted – section 38(1)]mentioned something discussion around face coverings in secure schools at CERG - I'm aware they were looking for an exemption. Can you ask for an update so I'm kept in the loop thanks.

[03/09/2020, 11:24:14] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Yes, will do.

[03/09/2020, 11:24:37] Maree Todd: thumbs up emoji

[03/09/2020, 13:41:55] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Hi. News release sent 1137 to SG account for clearance. Thanks

[03/09/2020, 13:52:28] [redacted – section 38(1)]: And further details on the NR now sent 1352. [03/09/2020, 13:56:29] Maree Todd: Thanks. Will have a look.

[03/09/2020, 14:00:50] Maree Todd: Can you check (or ask [redacted – section 38(1)] to next week) whether I need to physically attend the petitions committee I have on the 17th. Also what the format is? Will officials be able to speak or is it just me?

[03/09/2020, 14:09:21] [redacted – section 38(1)]: I've emailed the petitions committee to find out.

[03/09/2020, 14:45:41] Maree Todd: Thanks [redacted – section 38(1)].

[03/09/2020, 15:14:33] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Petition committee session will be virtual. Officials will support virtually too. All in hand. They know you will be providing a short opening statement. [redacted – section 38(1)] is all over it so no worries.

[03/09/2020, 15:15:35] Maree Todd: Thanks. It just crossed my mind things might be different now with a return to a more normal working week. And [redacted – section 38(1)] attending in person this week.

[03/09/2020, 15:18:48] [redacted – section 38(1)]: He made an error in attending in person (would have been easier if he was virtual so officials would have had time to inform him of stuff utilising delay in feedback).

[04/09/2020, 09:22:59] Maree Todd: Are press cuttings coming? I'm keen to see an article in the Times I'm quoted in.

<https://twitter.com/thetimescot/status/1301792815115108352?s=21> [04/09/2020, 09:46:27] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Hi. Cuttings now sent. Page 28 covers the article. [04/09/2020, 09:46:38] Maree Todd: Thanks smiling emoji

[07/09/2020, 08:55:15] Maree Todd: Are you back on duty today & [redacted – section 38(1)] off? [07/09/2020, 09:18:42] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Hi. [redacted – section 38(1)] is back today. Normal service has resumed.

[21/10/2020, 23:06:10] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Hi. Just to reassure you that the CERG papers for the mtg tomorrow at 0930 will now be issued tomorrow morning. I will send to you upon receipt. [redacted – section 38(1)]

[21/10/2020, 23:06:59] Maree Todd: Thanks [redacted – section 38(1)], [redacted – section 38(1)] & I spoke on the phone earlier so I got the heads up on ELC.

[21/10/2020, 23:08:46] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Great stuff.

[22/10/2020, 09:07:43] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Hi, briefing papers now sent for CERG. [22/10/2020, 09:08:15] Maree Todd: Bags of time! Smiling emoji

[22/10/2020, 09:09:40] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Yeah... Not best chuffed. They sent it 0714 but forgot to copy us in (and that's after speaking to the team at 11pm last night. Oh well..

[22/10/2020, 09:48:27] Maree Todd: [redaction – 36(1)]. Both [redacted – section 38(1)] & DFM mention them.

[22/10/2020, 10:12:00] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Sorry, just seen this. Now sent.

[22/10/2020, 10:16:16] Maree Todd: My pc has just switched itself off. Can you ask the host to let me in again

[22/10/2020, 10:22:28] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Been told its open now?

[22/10/2020, 10:23:20] Maree Todd: Thanks- I'm back in.

[22/10/2020, 10:23:39] [redacted – section 38(1)]: thumbs up emoji

[22/10/2020, 11:59:29] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Hi. Officials now sent briefing for committee. I sent email yesterday 1551 about pre-brief plan. Can you let me know when suitable for an initial mtg with officials for Monday?

[22/10/2020, 13:30:54] Maree Todd: Thanks. I think I'm going to drive down Monday morning so a virtual meeting 1.45-2.45, or 4.30-5.30pm would suit me.

[22/10/2020, 14:45:22] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Thanks, just waiting on officials confirming.

[22/10/2020, 14:46:39] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Just sent email 1443. Mr Dey would prefer you to not attend parly next week and do so virtually.

[22/10/2020, 14:47:18] Maree Todd: I am not happy with that.

[22/10/2020, 14:48:30] Maree Todd: I'll call him.

[22/10/2020, 14:48:46] [redacted – section 38(1)]: thumbs up emoji

[22/10/2020, 16:19:28] Maree Todd: The other thing I forgot to mention is that I am heading for [redacted – section 38(1)] tomorrow. I'll be driving from 8am. I'm hoping I'll get some connectivity at some points in the day but I'll be driving for 5-6hrs so if there's anything urgent might be best to call.

[22/10/2020, 20:12:58] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Hi. Just trying to pin down first briefing with officials on Monday. You have an interview in diary between 1-2pm. Are you expecting that to finish early and therefore we can go for 1345-1445? If so, great.

[22/10/2020, 20:13:43] Maree Todd: I don't expect that to last an hour so yes, 13.45 fine.

[22/10/2020, 20:13:52] [redacted – section 38(1)]: thumbs up emoji

[23/10/2020, 20:52:11] Maree Todd: [redacted – section 38(1)], do I need to clear that line? SSSC is my responsibility.

[23/10/2020, 20:53:49] [redacted – section 38(1)]: It's still with comms so I will encourage an answer. Will let you know asap.

[23/10/2020, 21:19:34] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Comms confirm its for you. I've emailed your MSP account.

[23/10/2020, 21:22:18] Maree Todd: Thanks, it's fine. M

[23/10/2020, 21:22:48] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Thanks

[20/11/2020, 17:11:05] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Hi. Sent news release 1635 to your MSP account for clearance. Celsis have asked for it today. Thanks

[20/11/2020, 17:18:04] Maree Todd: Sorry will get onto it now.

[20/11/2020, 17:32:41] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Thanks

[20/02/2021, 13:11:23] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Hi. Sorry to interrupt you. Just sent email (1310). Officials requesting clearance by 3pm today. Thanks, [redacted – section 38(1)]

[20/02/2021, 13:21:57] Maree Todd: Thanks [redacted – section 38(1)] - I'll have a look now.

[20/02/2021, 13:26:09] Maree Todd: I'm not seeing it

[20/02/2021, 13:26:21] Maree Todd: Just appeared. How odd.

[20/02/2021, 13:26:50] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Yip. V strange.

[20/02/2021, 13:29:52] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Thanks

[20/02/2021, 13:30:24] Maree Todd: It's fine. I wonder if the Scots system is a bit sluggish today? Those 5 emails you sent around 8.30am weren't there when I was on around 11ish.

[20/02/2021, 13:31:01] Maree Todd: You got my reply though?

[20/02/2021, 13:31:46] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Got reply, thanks. I will never understand SG IT, sigh. Thanks again.

[25/09/2021, 14:22:53] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Hi. Been told [redacted – section 38(1)] is parked behind coaches on Rose Terrace, facing the park. [redacted – section 38(1)] also there for Angela. All the best, [redacted – section 38(1)]

[25/09/2021, 14:23:49] Maree Todd: Thanks [redacted – section 38(1)] - we're well on our way already. Angela was having a tough time extracting herself.

[25/09/2021, 14:24:07] [redacted – section 38(1)]: thumbs up emoji

## Ms Todd's WhatsApp messages with Policy Official

[18/09/2021, 10:31:59] [redacted – section 38(1)]: One for next week! Have a great weekend! 🌟

[18/09/2021, 10:32:03] [redacted – section 38(1)]:

[https://mobile.twitter.com/murdo\\_fraser/status/1438919191956967426](https://mobile.twitter.com/murdo_fraser/status/1438919191956967426)

[18/09/2021, 10:46:07] Maree Todd: Good of him to give us the heads up!

[04/10/2021, 10:46:55] [redacted – section 38(1)] [redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]

[04/10/2021, 10:46:58] [redacted – section 38(1)]:

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/30-million-package-to-refurbish-4500-public-tennis-courts-in-deprived-parts-of-uk-announced>

[04/10/2021, 11:30:22] Maree Todd: [redacted Section 30(b)(ii)] 😞

[06/10/2021, 13:04:43] Maree Todd:

[https://twitter.com/sarahrobertson\\_/status/1445706140424159242?s=21](https://twitter.com/sarahrobertson_/status/1445706140424159242?s=21)

[06/10/2021, 13:04:55] Maree Todd: [redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]

[06/10/2021, 13:35:56] Maree Todd: [redacted – section 38(1)] with constituency work for me 😊

[redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]

[25/10/2021, 15:23:58] [redacted – section 38(1)]: [redacted – section 38(1)] first of all and [redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]

[redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]

[25/10/2021, 15:35:17] Maree Todd: I'll be in the car, still north of [redacted – section 38(1)]. [redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]

[25/10/2021, 20:32:42] [redacted – section 38(1)]: [Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]

[27/10/2021, 09:48:46] Maree Todd: Hi [redacted – section 38(1)] - we're running late & it looks like I'm not going to arrive until around 10.30am. Traffic flowing freely now we're past Glasgow centre but I'll ping you a message when we're close.

[27/10/2021, 09:49:38] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Ok, I'll let [redacted – section 38(1)] know and he can rejig the agenda

[27/10/2021, 09:50:11] Maree Todd: I can stay later. Not physically needed in parliament until afternoon. Can do my virtual meetings from the car.

[27/10/2021, 09:56:03] [redacted – section 38(1)]: 👍

[27/10/2021, 10:18:09] Maree Todd: About 10mins away

[27/10/2021, 10:18:33] [redacted – section 38(1)]: No worries, see soon!

[03/11/2021, 09:04:43] [redacted – section 38(1)]: [redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]

[03/11/2021, 09:05:37] Maree Todd: Thanks

[redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]

[03/11/2021, 09:32:04] [redacted – section 38(1)]: [Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]

[03/11/2021, 09:32:28] Maree Todd: [redacted – section 38(1)] is not in my constituency....

[03/11/2021, 09:33:00] [redacted – section 38(1)]: [redacted – section 38(1)]

[03/11/2021, 09:33:51] Maree Todd: [redacted – section 38(1)]

[03/11/2021, 09:45:42] [redacted – section 38(1)]: [redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]

[03/11/2021, 09:46:00] [redacted – section 38(1)]: At murrayfield

[03/11/2021, 09:46:34] Maree Todd: [redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]

[03/11/2021, 10:10:21] [redacted – section 38(1)]: 🗣️

[03/11/2021, 10:10:37] Maree Todd: [redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]

[Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]

[11/11/2021, 10:47:29] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Did the cycling event go well? I saw they got you on a bike! 🚲

[11/11/2021, 10:50:14] Maree Todd: It was fab. Couldn't resist a wee go on [redacted – section 38(1)] bike.

[12/11/2021, 09:32:07] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Morning! Apologies to bother you on a constituency day. I have a couple of v quick things to ask you if you have 5 minutes at some point, whenever convenient. Both sensitive-ish.

[12/11/2021, 09:48:34] Maree Todd: You free now?

[12/11/2021, 09:50:13] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Sure thing - just call when free. [redacted – section 38(1)]

[18/11/2021, 16:54:44] Maree Todd: 😊

[Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]

[18/11/2021, 17:50:41] Maree Todd: Women's football

[18/11/2021, 18:03:15] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Yeah, me or [redacted – section 38(1)] - she knows us both really well.

[19/11/2021, 07:29:21] Maree Todd: Thanks [redacted – section 38(1)], will pass that on.

[24/11/2021, 11:06:14] [redacted – section 38(1)]: I've been punted out... 🤦

[24/11/2021, 11:15:44] Maree Todd: We're losing everyone! There's clearly an issue on SCOTs

[24/11/2021, 11:16:12] Maree Todd: No ideas on how to navigate it, mainly sympathy

[24/11/2021, 11:16:49] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Well if you get to do your bit let me know how you get on!

[24/11/2021, 11:17:03] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Seems we are one of many!

[24/11/2021, 11:17:06] Maree Todd: I was on my MSP computer so spared [Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]

[30/11/2021, 21:22:56] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Not sure if you spotted this 😞

[30/11/2021, 21:23:01] [redacted – section 38(1)]: [Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]

[22/12/2021, 08:19:43] Maree Todd: Let me know the outcome. [Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]

[22/12/2021, 09:07:44] [redacted – section 38(1)]: [Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)] [redacted – section 38(1)]

[22/12/2021, 13:23:31] Maree Todd: [Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)] Thanks, M

[22/12/2021, 13:29:03] [redacted – section 38(1)]: I'll see what I can find out. [Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]

22/12/2021, 13:40:59] Maree Todd: [Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)] Let me know when decision made. M

[22/12/2021, 13:41:20] [redacted – section 38(1)]: [redacted – section 38(1)] [Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]

[22/12/2021, 15:19:57] Maree Todd: Thanks [redacted – section 38(1)].

[22/12/2021, 20:39:39] [redacted – section 38(1)]: <https://mobile.twitter.com/ScotlandSky/status/1473746962717491202>

[22/12/2021, 20:43:19] Maree Todd: That's reasonable isn't it?

[22/12/2021, 20:44:05] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Yes! [Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)] [Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]

[22/12/2021, 20:49:21] Maree Todd: I remain hopeful. [Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]

[22/12/2021, 20:49:47] redacted – section 38(1): 🙄🙄  
[22/12/2021, 20:50:00] [redacted – section 38(1)]: [redacted – section 38(1)]  
[22/12/2021, 20:58:10] Maree Todd: [redacted – section 38(1)]  
[redacted – section 38(1)] [Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]  
[22/12/2021, 21:13:02] Maree Todd: Stadium  
[22/12/2021, 21:14:26] [redacted – section 38(1)]:  
<https://mobile.twitter.com/CormackDavie/status/1473759239978033157>  
[22/12/2021, 21:14:44] [redacted – section 38(1)]: [Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]  
[redacted – section 30(b)(ii)]  
[05/01/2022, 11:30:54] [redacted – section 38(1)]: [redacted – section 38(1)]  
[05/01/2022, 11:31:17] Maree Todd: [redacted – section 38(1)]  
[Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]  
[05/01/2022, 11:44:43] Maree Todd: Indeed!  
[05/01/2022, 18:52:06] Maree Todd: Looks like similar chat in Wales.  
<https://www.bbc.com/sport/rugby-union/59867675>.amp  
[05/01/2022, 20:36:50] [redacted – section 38(1)]:  
<https://www.thescottishsun.co.uk/sport/football/8240286/scottish-premiership-clubs-considering-moving-games-england-fan-restrictions/>  
[Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]  
[05/01/2022, 21:34:58] Maree Todd:  
<https://twitter.com/bbcbreaking/status/1478841011111702536?s=21>  
[05/01/2022, 21:35:06] Maree Todd: Good!  
[05/01/2022, 21:43:37] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Yes I'm pleased about that!  
Enjoying everybody calling him Novax 😊  
[Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]  
[11/01/2022, 22:42:34] Maree Todd:  
<https://twitter.com/ovensdavid/status/1480973029207334914?s=21>  
[Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]  
[11/01/2022, 23:05:14] [redacted – section 38(1)]: They've written too  
[11/01/2022, 23:07:18] Maree Todd: Okay - [Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]  
[11/01/2022, 23:08:24] [redacted – section 38(1)]: I'll send you info tomorrow 👍  
[Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]  
[12/01/2022, 12:50:22] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Likely announcing today so you'll get a draft release soon  
[Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]  
[Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]  
[12/01/2022, 14:31:02] [redacted – section 38(1)]: 👍  
[12/01/2022, 14:31:44] Maree Todd: Their sacrifice is not pointless - it's saved all of us.  
[Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]  
[12/01/2022, 16:07:52] Maree Todd: Excellent - will have a look.  
[Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]  
[14/01/2022, 12:07:18] Maree Todd:  
<https://twitter.com/jennyselma2/status/1481921842982141956?s=21>  
[14/01/2022, 12:07:59] redacted – section 38(1): 🙄  
[14/01/2022, 12:08:31] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Not an easy one to explain

[14/01/2022, 12:08:45] Maree Todd:  
[https://twitter.com/\\_zoeyclark/status/1481298253190778887?s=21](https://twitter.com/_zoeyclark/status/1481298253190778887?s=21)  
[Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]  
[14/01/2022, 12:20:54] redacted – section 38(1): I can imagine! We're hopefully meeting the sgb CEOs on Tuesday  
[14/01/2022, 12:21:20] Maree Todd: Look forward to it.  
[16/01/2022, 23:22:12] [redacted – section 38(1)]: 😬😬😬😬  
[16/01/2022, 23:22:17] [redacted – section 38(1)]: <attached: 00000214-PHOTO-2022-01-16-23-22-17.jpg>  
[Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]  
[17/01/2022, 10:18:30] Maree Todd: Good - thanks [redacted – section 38(1)]  
[Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]  
[17/01/2022, 17:18:49] Maree Todd: Excellent!! Thanks [redacted – section 38(1)] for all your efforts on this.  
[Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]  
[17/01/2022, 17:19:41] [redacted – section 38(1)]: Though we can be v positive  
[17/01/2022, 17:20:48] Maree Todd: When is that meeting? I can't see it in my diary.  
[17/01/2022, 17:24:13] Maree Todd: Ah, I see the briefing. 11.15am.  
[Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]



## **Ms Todd's WhatsApp messages with National Clinical Director**

[25/06/2021, 09:18:31] Jason Leitch: Well done over the last 24 hours. The team have done well as have you.

[25/06/2021, 09:33:02] Maree Todd: I think it's all gone as well as we could have hoped so far.

Every chance it will get trickier.

On GMS at 7.50am instead of 8.50am this morning - managed not to panic & thankfully was not out on my daily mile!

[Redacted Section 30(b)(ii)]

[28/06/2021, 18:55:06] Maree Todd: [Redacted Section 38(1)]

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## WhatsApp – Maree Todd – Humza Yousaf

[29/10/2020, 10:22:55] Humza Yousaf: Hey Maree.

In the strategic framework document in Level 2 & 3 under the heading 'Unregulated Childrens Activity (Youth Clubs etc)' it says "differentiated restrictions apply" - what does that mean in practise? Local Authorities decide? Humza

[29/10/2020, 10:25:18] Maree Todd: Does it not mean that things are different in parent & baby clubs vs brownies vs youth clubs?

[29/10/2020, 10:26:09] Maree Todd: All are unregulated children's activities

[29/10/2020, 10:26:56] Maree Todd: I can check with Colin if you need more?

[29/10/2020, 10:28:10] Humza Yousaf: Could be - hence why i thought i would ask



I'll go through official channels but wanted to check if you knew.

Youth Clubs in my constituency (Level 3) are unsure whether they can reopen or not and so far not had much of an answer.

Religious schools where they teach arabic and islamic studies also asking me and again im unsure

[29/10/2020, 10:37:00] Maree Todd: Richard will likely know - they're his portfolio

[29/10/2020, 10:39:44] Humza Yousaf: Ah apols ill msg him

[30/10/2020, 14:51:55] Maree Todd: Hi Humza - a submission on the guidance on organised activities for children & young people has come to DFM & me today.

[Redacted – Section 29(1)(b)] We hope to issue new guidance covering the levels Monday. It's only at level 4 that they propose to stop indoor gathering - outdoor still allowed. Max numbers of children apply. So I would reassure them that guidance will issue on Monday to help them to operate safely.

[30/10/2020, 15:02:27] Humza Yousaf: Ok thats helpful. [Redacted – Section 29(1)(b)] I'll look out for the guidance on Monday

[30/10/2020, 15:04:17] Maree Todd: [Redacted – Section 29(1)(b)]

[redacted – section 38(1)]

[30/10/2020, 15:05:07] Maree Todd: And everything happening so fast at the moment.....DFM doing nearly all of it!

[30/10/2020, 15:06:30] Humza Yousaf: The pace is unbelievable. [redacted – section 38(1)] In fairness the youth clubs/religious after school clubs that are contacting me mostly have kids 12yrs and under

[30/10/2020, 15:06:44] Humza Yousaf: [redacted – section 38(1)]

[05/01/2021, 10:26:12] Humza Yousaf: Morning Maree. [redacted – section 38(1)].

Quick q - do foster carers fall under your portfolio interest? I have a constituent who is also an activist asking if there is any bespoke support available to foster parents who, due to Covid, haven't had any/many kids during the last 10months

[05/01/2021, 10:35:58] Maree Todd: Yes they do. Varies around the country - as always. Some local authorities pay foster carers retainers & all have flexibility for giving support so they should be first port of call. I think there might be some self employed entitlements but I'm not completely sure. There's a real tension between considering it employment & a family calling.

Probably best to write in & we'll see what we can do to help. We can surely at least point them to sources of support. [Redacted – out of scope] [redacted – section 38(1)]

[05/01/2021, 10:39:14] Humza Yousaf: Thanks i will write in, was just incase there was anything obvious i was perhaps missing.

[Redacted – Out of scope]

[16/03/2021, 20:33:52] Humza Yousaf: Well done on today Maree. You have done an incredible job over the last few years getting us to this point. Thought you made an outstanding speech in the debate today. You should feel v chuffed about your own role in today's historic proceedings

[16/03/2021, 22:31:20] Maree Todd: It's a momentous day - I'm shattered but delighted! (I woke up at 5.20am excited about it!!)

Thanks Humza x

[17/03/2021, 08:30:06] Humza Yousaf: Ha youre just a big wean! Which makes you perfect for the job

[08/06/2021, 10:48:16] Humza Yousaf: FM wants me to do the Topical so youre off the hook! But thank you fot being willing

[08/06/2021, 11:08:18] Maree Todd: No bother

[08/06/2021, 14:22:07] Maree Todd: Well pitched Humza - sounded reasonable.

[08/06/2021, 14:23:59] Humza Yousaf: Thanks. It's a challenging one as the question about mandatory testing is reasonable and i think we should have insisted upon it weeks ago, but we are where we are

[09/06/2021, 16:39:51] Maree Todd: Could we achieve the right outcome by asking everyone to take a test & random sampling?

[15/06/2021, 08:02:25] Humza Yousaf: <attached: 00000028-AUDIO-2021-06-15-08-02-25.opus>

[15/06/2021, 08:05:53] Maree Todd: Thanks Humza - I think it's fine. [Redacted – out of scope]

[15/06/2021, 08:07:37] Humza Yousaf: No probs if you need anything let me know

[21/06/2021, 12:45:50] Humza Yousaf: Heads up, youre likely to be doing the Cervical Cancer Screening statement. Im doing Mesh that day as the Bill will be introduced on Thursday. The briefing note ive seen is fairly comprehensive but clearly its going to be a challenging issue which we will need to get right under the bonnet of and be prepared to get our hands dirty to ensure Health Boards are doing everything they can to resolve the issue.

[Redacted – Section 29(1)(b)]

[02/07/2021, 16:04:51] Humza Yousaf: The main thing I'll need you to stay on top of is Test and Protect. The system is under enormous strain, not surprising given the number of cases. So we need to ensure officials are doing whatever is needed to create that capacity but without completely reducing the efficacy of the system. Officials were in discussions with Barrhead Travel to try and recruit another 100 contact tracers. Try and push them to get the deal sorted and announced asap if you can

[18/08/2021, 22:08:16] Maree Todd: Hi Humza [Redacted – Section 29(1)(b)]

[18/08/2021, 22:10:07] Humza Yousaf: I havent seen the submission forgive me im behind on papers (story of my life) [Redacted – Section 29(1)(b)]

Can you ask your office to resend me the submission. You around tmrw for a call? And we can talk through the politics

[18/08/2021, 22:10:32] Maree Todd: Will do - thanks Humza.

[18/08/2021, 22:11:31] Maree Todd: [Redacted – Section 38(1)(b)] so driving a lot but have hands free. Talk tomorrow.

[18/08/2021, 22:11:53] Humza Yousaf: 👍👍

[07/09/2021, 12:26:40] Humza Yousaf: I joined late. I take it they confirmed NI tax rise to pay for this and no mitigation for low paid workers?

[07/09/2021, 12:29:13] Maree Todd: Not as far as I'm aware. They talked about applying a levy to dividends too and also applying it to below & above the pension age.

[07/09/2021, 12:30:02] Maree Todd: Middle earners get hit hardest by NI increase dont they?

[07/09/2021, 12:30:11] Humza Yousaf: Yes tend to

[07/09/2021, 12:30:24] Humza Yousaf: Around the 30k bracket

[07/09/2021, 12:30:33] Maree Todd: High earners spared.

[07/09/2021, 12:30:34] Humza Yousaf: 30-50k

[07/09/2021, 12:32:58] Maree Todd: Surely that's England only?

[07/09/2021, 12:33:31] Humza Yousaf: Yes we decide on contributions towards care etc

[07/09/2021, 12:37:49] Humza Yousaf: Had to leave the call but ill ask for a read out from officials and get our finance guys to get us the detail

[Redacted – Section 29(1)(b)]

[23/11/2021, 19:43:28] Maree Todd: Apologies- I forgot to call. You free now?

[23/11/2021, 19:50:03] Humza Yousaf: Can we do tmrw plz. Am trying to clear a few hefty submissions

[23/11/2021, 19:50:34] Maree Todd: Yes no bother

[03/12/2021, 09:32:09] [Redacted – Section 29(1)(b)]

[03/12/2021, 09:33:45] Maree Todd: Will do

[Redacted – Section 29(1)(b)]

22/12/2021, 16:31:59] Maree Todd: Does the 2/3 hold up across age ranges?

[22/12/2021, 16:32:45] Humza Yousaf: Tiny sample size, literally 18 people not sure there was a huge age range

[22/12/2021, 16:32:54] Maree Todd: Thanks.

[22/12/2021, 16:33:15] Maree Todd: First people infected are young I'm guessing

[22/12/2021, 16:33:53] Maree Todd: Was it controlled for age?

[22/12/2021, 16:36:20] Humza Yousaf: Not sure. I haven't seen the details yet

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[28/03/2022, 15:53:20] Maree Todd: Heard a lot about locations & workers - not so much about patients.

The transformation that needs to happen is to person centred care.

Flexible, holistic, empowering.

[28/03/2022, 16:01:04] Humza Yousaf: Agreed. Btw are you covering cabinet tmrw?

[28/03/2022, 16:01:12] Maree Todd: Yes

[28/03/2022, 16:39:43] Maree Todd: I'm free after this meeting until 5.30pm then from 6.30pm onwards

[Redacted – Section 29(1)(b)]

## Whatsapp – Maree Todd – Claire Haughey

[Redacted – Section 29(1)(b)]

[05/06/2020, 15:43:28] Maree Todd: Sorry Clare - forgot to call you. Free now

[05/06/2020, 17:07:05] Clare Haughey: U still free

[05/06/2020, 17:07:12] Maree Todd: Yes

[Redacted – Section 29(1)(b)]

[26/06/2020, 00:15:30] Clare Haughey: It has been welcomed, a few outliers, but you can't please everyone. Hopefully will take the pressure off SG education. It's a tough gig. Looking forward to catching up with everyone tomorrow x

[Redacted – Section 29(1)(b)]

[04/08/2020, 15:42:01] Clare Haughey: Quick question as you're on screen. Was an announcement made last week about blended childcare now being allowed for pre school children?

[04/08/2020, 15:43:24] Maree Todd: Yes. Still need to be cautious about the number of interactions but not prohibited any more

[04/08/2020, 15:44:36] Clare Haughey: Cheers. Got a health worker with a child minder and an impending free nursery place who needed to know

[Redacted – Section 29(1)(b)]

[17/09/2020, 13:28:22] Clare Haughey: Hi Maree can I ask if there has been any discussion around children's rights/ child protection where parents are not adhering to Covid-19 guidelines?

[17/09/2020, 13:29:16] Maree Todd: Some but not in depth.

[17/09/2020, 13:30:06] Maree Todd: Or at least no dictat issued as far as I'm aware. Sensitive, child centered approach required in each individual case.

[17/09/2020, 13:32:29] Maree Todd: I can ask the office of the chief social worker for advice on whether guidance would help?

[17/09/2020, 13:32:54] Maree Todd: What's the context?

[Redacted – Section 29(1)(b)]

[20/05/2021, 20:39:25] Clare Haughey: Hi Maree did you cover BSL ?

[20/05/2021, 20:41:19] Maree Todd: Yes

[Redacted – Section 29(1)(b)]

[18/06/2021, 09:10:52] Maree Todd: Any chance of a quick five minute blether before 12.30 about the Ullapool childcare crisis? I have a meeting with parents.

[18/06/2021, 12:38:34] Clare Haughey: Sorry I've just seen this. I'm about from 1 til 2 if that helps

[18/06/2021, 13:19:25] Maree Todd: No worries, I'll pick your brains next week x

[Redacted – Section 29(1)(b)]

[06/08/2021, 20:35:57] Clare Haughey: Maree do you know if someone who turns 16 in October can register for their COVID-19 jag just now or do they have to wait until their birthday?

[06/08/2021, 20:42:12] Maree Todd: Sorry Clare I don't know. I suspect not but they'll mostly be going to drop in clinics so can access a vaccine as soon as they turn 16.

I can confirm with officials next week - if I don't find the answer in my backlog!

[06/08/2021, 20:43:43] Clare Haughey: Thanks Maree. I've scoured publicly available information and briefing I've been copied into and I can't find an answer

[04/11/2021, 19:53:03] Maree Todd: <attached: 00000165-PHOTO-2021-11-04-19-53-03.jpg>

[04/11/2021, 20:07:05] Clare Haughey: <attached: 00000166-PHOTO-2021-11-04-20-07-05.jpg>

[04/11/2021, 20:07:28] Clare Haughey: <attached: 00000167-PHOTO-2021-11-04-20-07-28.jpg>

[22/12/2021, 18:13:14] Clare Haughey: Hi Maree , FYI . I'm hearing the vaccination centre at Hampden has no signage to direct people where to go and that the queues are quite long. Folks waiting around 30 minutes after their appointment is due and no one giving people in the queues any information on waiting times

[22/12/2021, 18:16:32] Maree Todd: Thanks Clare - will pass that info on to the team.

[Redacted – Section 38(1)(b)] waited over an hour after her appointment was due at a vaccine centre in Clydebank yesterday. It was well organised - just huge!

[22/12/2021, 18:22:47] Clare Haughey: It's great so many folks are getting vaccinated!

[22/12/2021, 18:24:51] Maree Todd: I know. Gives me real hope that we can rise to meet this wave!

It's a massive national effort - the numbers are just spectacular. Never imagined they could do it.

[22/12/2021, 19:25:52] Clare Haughey: I know, it's an amazing feat. The effort behind the scenes has been phenomenal

[20/01/2022, 16:29:36] Clare Haughey: Hi Maree is it you that has portfolio responsibilities for the covid vaccination program or does that sit with Humza?

[20/01/2022, 16:30:20] Maree Todd: Technically it's me but Humza, FM & DFM are all over it. What's up?

[20/01/2022, 16:30:57] Clare Haughey: Can I call you?

[20/01/2022, 16:31:01] Maree Todd: Yes

## Group Chat – Maree Todd - MPO – WHO meeting

[08/12/2020, 07:57:23] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: [Redacted – Section 38(1)] created group “WHO meeting”

[08/12/2020, 07:57:23] WHO meeting: [Redacted – Section 38(1)] added you

[08/12/2020, 07:58:05] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: Morning. Started a group chat in case you need to message each other during the WHO meeting. [Redacted – Section 38(1)]

[08/12/2020, 07:59:10] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: Thanks [Redacted – Section 38(1)]! Good morning! Good morning Ms Todd.

[08/12/2020, 07:59:18] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: Have you connected to the meeting ok?

[08/12/2020, 08:06:23] Maree Todd: No, it says the meeting is at capacity

[08/12/2020, 08:07:15] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: I'll contact the host.

[08/12/2020, 08:07:25] Maree Todd: Thanks

[08/12/2020, 08:14:28] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: They are working on it and will message me back.

[08/12/2020, 08:16:18] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: They have a license for 500 participants, but it's capped at 100 at present.

[08/12/2020, 08:20:48] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: Sorry about this. Can you try joining again?

[08/12/2020, 08:21:21] Maree Todd: Still at capacity

[08/12/2020, 08:27:58] Maree Todd: This is a bit rubbish. Invited as an afterthought & locked out. Shall I just get on with my day?

[08/12/2020, 08:28:46] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: Sorry about this Ms Todd. It's been an irritating experience. Shall I take a note, and perhaps message when the “issue” is resolved?

[08/12/2020, 08:29:06] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: There have been a handful of apologies, but no timeframe on how long this will take

[08/12/2020, 08:29:12] Maree Todd: Are other people locked out?

[08/12/2020, 08:29:31] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: Yes. Lots of people complaining that they're representatives cannot join.

[08/12/2020, 08:29:50] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: It's not been well managed, a review of the attendees list and some nations have 10 staff!

[08/12/2020, 08:30:07] Maree Todd: So the meeting is not proceeding then?

[08/12/2020, 08:30:14] Maree Todd: At the moment?

[08/12/2020, 08:30:32] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: No they are pressing on with it, with an apology.

[08/12/2020, 08:30:33] Maree Todd: It's not that I'm missing it?

[08/12/2020, 08:30:56] Maree Todd: So I am missing it?

[08/12/2020, 08:30:59] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: No, those that cannot get in have missed the intro and background sections.

[08/12/2020, 08:31:17] Maree Todd: What a pain.

[08/12/2020, 08:31:20] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: Yes, sorry - I think lots of countries are.

[08/12/2020, 08:32:29] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: Try quickly - at 99 participants.

[08/12/2020, 08:32:49] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: 98\*

[08/12/2020, 08:32:56] Maree Todd: At capacity

[08/12/2020, 08:33:29] Maree Todd: I think I'm about to be let in

[08/12/2020, 08:33:40] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: This is incredibly frustrating.

[08/12/2020, 08:33:44] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: Oh excellent.

[08/12/2020, 08:33:50] Maree Todd: Message changed to please wait host will let you in

[08/12/2020, 08:34:10] Maree Todd: But host is not letting me in very fast 😓

[08/12/2020, 08:34:18] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: I think they've politely approached nations with too many reps to ask them to stand some down.

[08/12/2020, 08:34:32] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: Haha. Probably panicking at the volume of messages

[08/12/2020, 08:35:46] Maree Todd: Still waiting. They need to let me in.

[08/12/2020, 08:37:00] Maree Todd: Finally I'm in

[08/12/2020, 08:37:01] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: I've messages to advise you are waiting. They should pick it up quickly.

[08/12/2020, 08:37:07] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: Phew!

[08/12/2020, 08:37:31] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: Videos and slides will be available after the meeting (the least they can do I think).

[08/12/2020, 09:53:37] Maree Todd: Trying not to be narked that he's saying UK when he means England

[08/12/2020, 09:53:59] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: Agreed.

[08/12/2020, 09:54:33] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: This is repeated at SAGE meeting regularly, English data is U.K. data

[08/12/2020, 10:12:19] Maree Todd: It's so difficult to compare our response to other countries when the systems are so different. Prevalence varies but I presume we're among the highest rates in Europe?

[08/12/2020, 10:12:55] Maree Todd: Testing regimes different which makes me wonder if we have more or test more?

[08/12/2020, 10:13:53] Maree Todd: Asymptomatic lateral flow testing clearly not supported by evidence unless managing an outbreak?

[08/12/2020, 10:15:04] Maree Todd: Social distancing in schools seems to be more common than not?

[08/12/2020, 10:15:12] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: Yes I'm sure latest data shows U.K. sit third in the EU/EEA, behind France and Italy.

[08/12/2020, 10:16:14] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: Yeah we have engaged with Public Health Colleagues on the use of testing in schools and they suggest prevalence is so low this only be for staff/teachers. Which is our position at present.

[08/12/2020, 10:16:47] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: Interesting the Armenian example earlier, that even with low prevalence, they restrict attendance within classrooms, have children in 3 days per week.

[08/12/2020, 10:18:10] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: I think we are testing more. We have a clear case definition for testing children, whereas other nations speaking today appear to be navigating away from this, and not testing until symptoms move into day 7+

[08/12/2020, 10:19:42] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: Yes I suspect this will need constant review. We have put in additional measures in schools since restart, and might need to look into this further should case numbers increase in schools. Some pushback from unions/LAs that distancing is impossible in parts of the school estate.

[08/12/2020, 10:20:56] Maree Todd: But not in other countries? School estates & class numbers can't be so different?

[08/12/2020, 10:21:45] Maree Todd: No mention of parental pushback on blended learning either.

[08/12/2020, 10:23:25] Maree Todd: Or impact on economy.



[08/12/2020, 10:24:19] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: Yeah I think that needs to remain an option, if prevalence/case numbers remain high- perhaps post the festive period. The levels framework they referenced earlier is similar to our own- in that in the highest areas of transmission, this needs to be considered, if schools are found to have a role/drive the spread of the virus.

[08/12/2020, 10:25:03] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: It's odd we have no feedback from parents. There was a presentation earlier from young people embracing blended learning, as long as this had a reasonable mix of desktop and in person learning.

[08/12/2020, 10:32:30] Maree Todd: It wouldn't be possible for young people without digital access to contribute to this meeting though. That group might be less keen on blended learning. Again hard to know how different rates of digital exclusion are here compared to other countries.

[08/12/2020, 10:35:21] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: Agreed. It's something I will pick up with schools colleagues. I wonder if there is a piece of work here with youth focused organisations to better understand this. Especially if we are looking at interventions well into 2021. We have some work streams in schools, FE and HE on closing the digital divide, but no early evidence of impact on the blended learning experience.

[08/12/2020, 10:53:15] Maree Todd: Slovenia schools closed since October? Is that what she said?

[08/12/2020, 10:55:00] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: I thought that's what she said.

[08/12/2020, 10:55:18] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: And now a plea for evidence of how this can be delivered to be shared with policy makers

[08/12/2020, 10:55:33] Maree Todd: Gosh that's awful.

[08/12/2020, 10:56:44] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: Childcare there is only open for essential workers also.

[08/12/2020, 10:56:53] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: Closed until 17 December at the earliest.

[08/12/2020, 11:29:49] Maree Todd: Nice shout out from Bruce for our commitment to UNCRC incorporation.

[08/12/2020, 11:30:11] [Redacted – Section 38(1)]: He was excellent!