

**From:** [redacted Section 38(1)(b)] <[redacted Section 38(1)(b)]>

**Sent:** 12 February 2025 05:23

**To:** First Minister <FirstMinister@gov.scot>

**Subject:** Re: Dinner with the FM

Hi [redacted Section 38(1)(b)],

Alan will come solo!! Thanks.

Sincerely,

[redacted Section 38(1)(b)]

*Personal Assistant to Alan Cumming*

On Tue, Feb 11, 2025 at 11:52 AM [redacted Section 38(1)(b)] <[redacted Section 38(1)(b)]> wrote:

Checking!

[redacted Section 38(1)(b)] (He/Him/His)

Personal Assistant to Alan Cumming

\*Sent from mobile\*

On Tue, Feb 11, 2025 at 5:55 AM wrote:

Hi [redacted Section 38(1)(b)],

With apologies for chasing, I would be most grateful for your confirmation if Alan is bringing a guest on Monday and if there are any dietary requirements we should be aware of?

I look forward to hearing from you soon.

Best wishes,

[redacted Section 38(1)(b)],

[redacted Section 38(1)(b)]

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**From:** [redacted Section 38(1)(b)] <[redacted Section 38(1)(b)]>

**Sent:** 31 January 2025 18:43

**To:** First Minister

**Cc:** [redacted Section 38(1)(b)]@gov.scot; [redacted Section 38(1)(b)]@gov.scot

**Subject:** Re: Dinner with the FM

Brilliant, thank you!

[redacted Section 38(1)(b)]

*Personal Assistant to Alan Cumming*

On Fri, Jan 31, 2025 at 10:54 AM <[FirstMinister@gov.scot](mailto:FirstMinister@gov.scot)> wrote:

Hi [redacted Section 38(1)(b)],

Thank you for your email. I have confirmed 7:00 p.m. on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> February in First Minister's diary.

As [redacted Section 38(1)(b)] advised below, we would like to host this dinner in First Minister's official residence, [redacted Section 38(1)(b)].

Best wishes,

[redacted Section 38(1)(b)]

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**From:** [redacted Section 38(1)(b)] <[redacted Section 38(1)(b)]>

**Sent:** 30 January 2025 20:25

**To:** [redacted Section 38(1)(b)]@gov.scot>

**Cc:** [redacted Section 38(1)(b)]@gov.scot>; First Minister <[FirstMinister@gov.scot](mailto:FirstMinister@gov.scot)>

**Subject:** Re: Dinner with the FM

Hi [redacted Section 38(1)(b)],

[redacted Section 38(1)(b)] from Alan's office here! 7pm sounds great to Alan, and we'll circle back about a potential guest.

Thank you!

Sincerely,

[redacted Section 38(1)(b)]

*Personal Assistant to Alan Cumming*

On Mon, Jan 27, 2025 at 9:56 AM <[redacted Section 38(1)(b)]@gov.scot> wrote:

Hi Alan,

As discussed, the First Minister would be delighted if you could join him for dinner at Bute House on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> Feb.

Colleagues on the copy list can confirm timings etc. a bit closer to the time but I expect around 7pm. You'd be very welcome to bring a guest too.

Let me know if that all still suits?

Cheers,

[redacted Section 38(1)(b)]

[redacted Section 38(1)(b)]

Special Adviser to the First Minister

[redacted Section 38(1)(b)]

[redacted Section 38(1)(b)] @gov.scot

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