Log of Contact December 2021

- This document contains a log of forecast round meetings that took place ahead of our publication. The meetings took place as the Commission developed its forecasts which were published on 9 December 2021. The log also records any contact between Commissioners and Ministers or Special Advisors within the same period.
- The Commission held a number of meetings with officials from across the public sector. These
 meetings were designed to ensure we were challenged on our judgements, and that we were using
 the best available information to inform our forecasts. These took the form of several rounds, which
 started in October 2021.
- The log aids understanding of the process the Commission went through in constructing our forecasts. It is provided in accordance with paragraph 51 of the Protocol agreed between the Commission and the Scottish Government.¹

Log of meetings with officials

Meeting Title	Dates	Attendees
Round 1 Meetings	21 October 2021	Commissioners
		Commission Staff
		Scottish Government officials
		Social Security Scotland
Round 2 Meetings	8 November 2021	Commissioners
		Commission Staff
		Scottish Government officials
		Social Security Scotland
Round 3 Meetings	22 November 2021 23 November 2021	Commissioners
		Commission Staff
		Scottish Government officials
		Revenue Scotland
		Social Security Scotland

Log of contact with Ministers or Special Advisors

Contact	Date	Further information
Formal notice of publication		Letter from the Cabinet Secretary for
date for the Scottish Budget	21 September 2021	Finance and the Economy to the Chair of the Scottish Fiscal Commission
2022-23 and Medium Term		
Fiscal Strategy (MFTS) ²		

¹ Protocol for engagement between the Scottish Fiscal Commission and the Scottish Government Version 4.1 (2021) (link)

² Letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Economy to the Chair of the Scottish Fiscal Commission – the Scottish Government notifies of publication dates for the Scottish Budget 2022-23 and associated MTFS – 21 September 2021 (link)

Contact	Date	Further information
Submission of the Scottish Fiscal Commission's Annual Report and Accounts for the year ending 31 March 2021 ³	28 October 2021	Letter from the Chair of the Scottish Fiscal Commission to the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Economy
Provision of near-final copy of Scotland's Economic and Fiscal Forecasts – December 2021 report	7 December 2021	Report provided electronically by Scottish Fiscal Commission staff to the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Economy, the Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Housing & Local Government, and the Minister for Social Security & Local Government
Phone call	8 December 2021	Phone call between Cabinet Secretary for Economy and Finance and Dame Susan Rice, Chair of the Scottish Fiscal Commission. This meeting was scheduled as per paragraph 51 of the Protocol.
Provision of pre-release copy of December 2021 publications: • Scotland's Economic and Fiscal Forecasts (SEFF) report • Fiscal Update	8 December 2021	Reports provided electronically to the Scottish Government by Commission staff.

 $^{^3}$ Letter from the Chair of the Scottish Fiscal Commission to the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Economy – SFC submits yearly accounts in line with statutory procedures (\underline{link})