

Log of Contact May 2022

1. 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 31 May 2022. The log also records any contact between Commissioners and Ministers or Special Advisors within the same period.
2. 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 April 2022.
3. 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	5/7 April 2022	Commissioners Commission Staff Scottish Government officials Social Security Scotland Revenue Scotland
Round 2 Meetings	12/13 May 2022	Commissioners Commission Staff Scottish Government officials Social Security Scotland

Log of contact with Ministers or Special Advisors

Contact	Date	Further information
Formal notice of publication date of the Medium Term Financial Strategy and Resource Spending Review on 31 May 2022.	14 March 2022	Letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Economy to the Chair of the Scottish Fiscal Commission 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 the publication date for the Medium Term Financial Strategy and Resource Spending Review – 14 March 2022 ([link](#))

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Confirmation of Scottish Fiscal Commission budget for 2022-23, and indicative budgets for 2023-24 and 2024-25	31 March 2022	Letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Economy to the Chair of the Scottish Fiscal Commission ³
Provision of final forecasts	18 May 2022	Forecasts provided electronically to the Scottish Government by Commission staff.
Provision of near-final copy of Scotland's Economic and Fiscal Forecasts – May 2022 report	26 May 2022	Report provided electronically to the Scottish Government by Commission staff.
Phone call	30 May 2022	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 Scotland's Economic and Fiscal Forecasts (SEFF) report	30 May 2022	Report provided electronically to the Scottish Government by Commission staff. The report was shared with the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Economy, the Cabinet Secretary for Social Justice, Housing and Local Government and the Minister for Social Security and Local Government.

³ Letter from the Cabinet Secretary for Finance and the Economy to the Chair of the Scottish Fiscal Commission – the Scottish Government confirms the Scottish Fiscal Commission's budget for 2022-23 and provides indicative budgets for 2023-24 and 2024-25 – 31 March 2022 ([link](#))