## **Log of Contact December 2022**

- 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 15 December 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 were held in October and November 2022.
- 3. The log aids understanding of the process the Commission went through in constructing our forecasts. It is provided in accordance with paragraphs 48 to 52 of the Protocol agreed between the Commission and the Scottish Government.<sup>1</sup>

## Log of meetings with officials

Meeting Title	Dates	Attendees
Pre-Round 1 Director Meetings	19 October 2022	Commissioners
		Senior Commission Staff
		Scottish Government Directors (Tax and
		Revenue, Budget and Public Spending, Social
		Security)
		Social Security Scotland Chief Executive
Round 1 Meetings	9/10 November 2022	Commissioners
		Commission Staff
		Scottish Government officials
		Social Security Scotland
Round 2 Meetings	24/29 November 2022	Commissioners
		Commission Staff
		Scottish Government officials
		Social Security Scotland
	28 November 2022	Commissioners
Post-		Senior Commission Staff
Round 2		Scottish Government Directors (Tax and
Director		Revenue, Budget and Public Spending, Social
Meetings		Security)
		Social Security Scotland Chief Executive

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Protocol for engagement between the Scottish Fiscal Commission and the Scottish Government – October 2022 (link)

## Log of contact with Ministers or Special Advisors

Reason of Contact	Date	Further information
Confirmation of publication date for the 2023-24 Scottish Budget	6 October 2022	Letter from Deputy First Minister to Professor Graeme Roy, Chair of the Scottish Fiscal Commission <sup>2</sup>
Response to the confirmation of the 2023-24 Scottish Budget publication date	6 October 2022	Letter from Professor Graeme Roy to Deputy First Minister <sup>3</sup>
Provision of the Scottish Fiscal Commission's published 2022 Annual Reports and Accounts	14 October 2022	Letter from Professor Graeme Roy to Deputy First Minister <sup>4</sup>
Provision of final non-Tax policy measures	1 December 2022	Provided electronically to the Scottish Fiscal Commission by Scottish Government staff.
Provision of final Tax policy measures and confirmation of non-tax policies after final sign off	6 December 2022	Provided electronically to the Scottish Fiscal Commission by Scottish Government staff.
Provision of pre-release copy of Scotland's Economic and Fiscal Forecasts – December 2022 report	14 December 2022	Report provided electronically to the Scottish Government by Commission staff.
Phone call	14 December 2022	Phone call between Deputy First Minister and Professor Graeme Roy, Chair of the Scottish Fiscal Commission. This meeting was scheduled as per paragraph 52 of the Protocol.

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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Letter from Deputy First Minister to Professor Graeme Roy confirming Budget on 15 December 2022 – 6 October 2022 (<u>link</u>)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Letter from Professor Graeme Roy to Deputy First Minister about Budget on 15 December 2022 – 6 October 2022 (<u>link</u>)

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Letter from Professor Graeme Roy to Deputy First Minister about publication of the 2022 Annual Report and Accounts (<u>link</u>)