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Subject: Re: Working Group meeting tomorrow

None whatsoever. I am in Old St tomorrow and if it helps am happy to come and make the point.

However, I think we should discuss: eg.. Why it is unhelpful and see whether actually letting them publish could be helpful. And if not, have some good reasons that would resonate with TH and with JA.

What time is your meeting tomorrow?

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On 6 Mar 2014, at 18:39, "Belinda Crowe" <[GRO]> wrote:

Paula

SS has raised the issue of making their 'thematic report' available to MPs in advance of the meeting on 24 March. Ron has suggested that James Arbuthnot has commissioned it although Ian is being more circumspect. This may come up at the Working Group tomorrow.

It would be helpful if we could refer to your meeting with James Arbuthnot, if necessary. Both JFSA and SS are aware at that meeting but it would be helpful to be able to say that you had reiterated that *their previous work for MPs and on Horizon had been subsumed within their work on the Scheme which now needed to be their sole focus* and, in relation to a report being published in February, James accepted *that would not be possible, that Second Sight needed to keep matters internal while the mediation was ongoing, it was not helpful to provide a running commentary and that there was a need now to focus on delivering the Scheme*. You did accept that there could be a report at the end.

(The italics are direct lifts from the note of the meeting)

Hopefully this will not be necessary but it would be good to know whether you would have any objections to our doing so if needed.

Best wishes
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