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Subject: RE: Post Office Group Litigation - SUBJECT TO LEGAL PRIVILEGE - DO NOT FORWARD

Good if it is going to the Board. I've re-read the wording of the note and it's pretty clear - there's no mention of the Board or the sub-committee in relation to the decision to appeal. I've emailed Tim Parker about it.

On BEIS I think it would be wise to tell BEIS what POL intends to do and give people a chance to ask questions or disagree if they want to. Consultation may be too strong a word for it. I doubt it will be contentious although an appeal will probably involve more litigation costs and I imagine will probably raise more questions for Ministers from MPs and NAO.

Tom

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Tom

I have asked for the export reports. They may be subject to confidentiality provisions until the Horizon trial starts but I shall wait for POL's response.

On para 4.8 lets discuss with POL when we meet tomorrow. I think that process is what Jane proposed in the Board litigation update note you forwarded before Xmas. I had certainly understood that the decision would also go through the board litigation sub-committee. Not sure about the merits of consulting BEIS. Certainly they should be kept informed. I am catching up with BEIS Legal colleagues tomorrow and a POL litigation update is on my list so I will see what they think.

Kind regards

Richard

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Richard

We need to push back on 4.8 don't we? Could you ask Jane (not Rod) why she thinks it's appropriate not to put a decision to appeal through the Board and the litigation sub-committee and why BEIS wouldn't be consulted on a decision like this? Suggest you also ask if Tim Parker agrees with that course of action.

Have you asked for the experts reports on Horizon?

Tom

From: Rodric Williams [GRO]
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Richard, Josh,

In accordance with the Information Sharing Protocol agreed on 11 June 2018, I attach an update on the Post Office Group Litigation.

We suggest that the headings in this update be used as a rough agenda for our meeting at 1145am on 8 January 2019, in particular sections 2, 3 and 4 which deal with the delivery of the judgment on the Common Issues and potential appeal.

With kind regards and best wishes for the New Year,
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