

Message

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on behalf of Alice Perkins [GRO]
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To: Paula Vennells [GRO]
Subject: Re: JA meeting

Thanks v much, Paula. Alwen gave me a heads-up. This sounds like a useful approach. I am happy to be briefed more fully when the work you describe has been done. And as you'd expect!, I agree we need to crack on with it.
Alice

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From: Paula Vennells [GRO]
Sent: Wednesday, May 08, 2013 01:35 PM
To: Alice Perkins
Subject: JA meeting

Alice,

Thank you for the challenge this am (honestly). Alwen, Mark, Susan and Simon have just finished briefing me.

I'm happy the team have a suggestion that could wrap this up for us and for James. (Based on something he wrote to Alan Bates of the JFSA, which is helpful.)

That's the good news.

The not so good is that it will not be popular with the JFSA, nor with Second Sight and possibly not with some MPs.

Top line thoughts:

SS being wary of a different approach is not unhelpful or unexpected as they were employed as independent investigators. James' authority should be sufficient for their reputation and integrity, and ours.

James is also crucial for the other stakeholders. And so Mark is going to do some detailed plans for stakeholder engagement, to help James think through what he might say to which group. We will have plans for ourselves as well.

The team are now going to prepare a detailed brief for the JA meeting, inc., stakeholder plans, internal actions, his original concerns, training and improvements, etc. And I think it will work. We shall try to go for next week.

It will be important to have your backing too for the suggested approach. Our next 121 is Wednesday. As I am out for a couple of days, I will ask Alwen and Mark to brief you.

I hope that's ok?

Paula

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