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**From:** Jane MacLeod  
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**To:** Paula Vennells; Alisdair Cameron  
**Cc:** Angela Van-Den-Bogerd; Mark R Davies  
**Subject:** Postmaster Litigation - Meeting with Perm Sec & Minister on 17 October

Paula, Al

I had a somewhat unsatisfactory conversation with Tom Aldred yesterday regarding the PO attendees at the meeting on 17 October. Tom explained that the 'direction' that there should be only 2-3 POL attendees came from Alex Chisolm and therefore will be difficult to change, although a representation directly from Paula may work to increase the representation to 4.

Their expectation is that Al and I would attend; and as we know Tom C and Tim P had discussed that Tim P would attend (although Tim has volunteered to stand down if necessary). I reiterated the various arguments, but Tom A is just a messenger and, as far as I can see, has no influence.

For tomorrow morning's meeting, Angela will circulate a suggested timetable for the internal governance meetings over the next 2-3 months, and the proposed topics for discussion at each one. We anticipate using next Friday (5 October) to work through the draft pack for the UKGI briefing to ensure we have addressed the relevant issues, including who should attend the UKGI meeting. As a reminder, the proposed agenda is as follows:

	Subject	Timing
1.	Background (Q&A based on latest written update)	5 minutes
2.	Key issues at stake in the November trial	10 minutes
3.	Implications of losing on these issues divided into following consequences: -financial (damages) -operational consequences, including changes to contracts with postmasters, operating procedures, impact on operating costs and risks to POL (to include discussion on Comms approach)	20 minutes
4.	Pros and cons of settlement ahead of first trial and report on the views of the Board and Management	10 minutes

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