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To: [Rooney, Eugene](#); [McCormick, Andrew \(DETI\)](#); [Stewart, Chris \(DETI\)](#)
Cc: [McIlwrath, Linda](#); [Hill, Janice](#); [McCoy, Laura](#); [Wightman, Stuart](#); [Cooper, Trevor](#)
Subject: Re: RHi ETI Committee speaking note (2)
Date: 08 February 2016 20:22:17

Yeah, well spotted on the GB funding. Para 8 needs to say something like, "against what DECC had advised would be the expected budget." thus, the forecast budget was cut from £1.8 bn to £1.1. The profile of that funding still resembles an ascending staircase (as it has to do given the nature of the scheme with added commitments every year) - hence para 10. But the effect of the cut is significant, so wouldn't want to lose.
Agree on fraud.

Sent from my BlackBerry 10 smartphone.

From: Rooney, Eugene
Sent: Monday, 8 February 2016 18:30
To: McCormick, Andrew (DETI); Stewart, Chris (DETI)
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Para 8 says that GB has cut expenditure on the scheme in the coming years but para 10 indicates it has increased expenditure in the Spending Review. It is the latter.
Should it say in the opening remarks Whistleblowing allegations of "abuse of the scheme" rather than "fraud" – based on info available currently allegations of the abuse of the scheme gives rise to *suspensions* of fraud which is what is signalled in our fraud notification .

From: McCormick, Andrew (DETI)
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Please see my suggestions (in some cases reverting to earlier version).
Copying in Eugene and Trevor as time is short and they will have a perspective to offer.
Many thanks.

From: Mills, John (DETI)
Sent: 08 February 2016 17:41
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Chris,
Suggestions in tracks