



The Scottish Parliament
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Dear Mairi,

[Inquiry into A9 Dualling Project](#)

As you may be aware, the Citizen Participation and Public Petitions Committee have been exploring issues around the Scottish Government's commitment to dual the A9 between Perth and Inverness.

The Committee recently heard [evidence from Alex Neil](#), in his capacity as the former Cabinet Secretary for Infrastructure and Capital Investment, during which Mr Neil indicated that a detailed plan for the completion of the dualling work was prepared by Transport Scotland officials in 2012. To support its consideration of this matter, the Committee requests a copy of this document, which we understand was dated 28 May 2012.

The Committee also requests copies of internal advice provided to Ministers in relation to the funding of this project and the timetable for progressing the dualling works between 2012 and February 2023.

The Committee would be grateful to receive the requested documents no later than **Friday 24 November 2023**.

You will also be aware that the Committee agreed at its meeting on 28 June 2023 to invite you to give evidence at the earliest possible opportunity after you or the Minister for Transport have provided a statement to Parliament on the revised timetable for dualling the A9. A formal invitation will be issued in due course, however, the

Committee would also welcome any written update you may wish to provide in advance of this session. Your response will be processed in accordance with the Parliament's [policy on the treatment of written evidence](#).

On behalf of the Committee, thank you for your assistance.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Carlaw', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Jackson Carlaw MSP
Convener