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Dear Kenny,

2022-23 Provisional Outturn

I write to confirm the Provisional Outturn figures for Scottish Government in financial year 2022-23 were announced to parliament on 15th June.

The overall provisional fiscal outturn for 2022-23 is £46.9 billion against a total fiscal budget of £47.1 billion. The remaining budget of £244 million representing 0.5% of the total budget, will be carried forward in full through the Scotland Reserve if confirmed at final outturn.

This year we have taken steps to increase transparency for users. For the first time we have published an additional briefing pack to provide users with more accessible and informative information. This was published on the 14th July and can be found at [Budget - Provisional Outturn 2022-2023: briefing note - gov.scot \(www.gov.scot\)](https://www.gov.scot/budget-provisional-outturn-2022-2023-briefing-note). We will continue to explore further improvements in this area going forward.

I would also like to advise of a late movement to the Scottish Child Payment which wasn't reflected in the speech. The total figure quoted for this was £219 million, however this in fact reduced to £213 million following a late revision. To confirm there is no change to the overall provisional outturn position, it is only the Scottish Child Payment figure quoted that is affected. Also noting all figures remain provisional at this time.

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