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Dear Convenor

As I set out last week, I look forward to continuing engagement with the Transport Committee and I am keen to confirm my intention to continue the transparent and constructive approach that was taken previously to keep the Net Zero Energy and Transport Committee informed on progress with the A9 Dualling Programme.

Given the election period and the forming of the Transport Committee, the reporting to committee on the A9 Dualling was temporarily paused. However, I have now asked Transport Scotland to provide their latest progress update on the A9 Dualling Programme to the Transport Committee which covers the period 1 October 2025 to 31 March 2027, which will continue the established reporting arrangements for the Programme in order to provide the necessary transparency and accountability that is so vital to the delivery of this critical investment.

As is the established protocol for this reporting, I can also confirm that I have written to all MSPs today to advise that a briefing for MSPs on the A9 Dualling will be held in Room Q1.04 between 12:00 and 12:45 on Tuesday 29 September 2026.

You will no doubt already be aware that progress has continued at pace across A9 Dualling and following formal commencement of the procurement process in June 2026, procurement continues on the £1.94 billion Delivery Framework Agreement to dual the remaining sections of the A9 between Perth and Inverness. We are also on track to award the contract for the fifth section to be dualled between Pitlochry and Killiecrankie as planned later this year.

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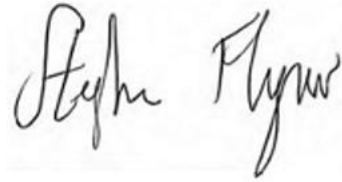
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I am committed to maintaining a programme of proactive engagement with both Parliament and key stakeholders, including industry partners, as we move into this next phase of delivery and I hope that you find this update helpful.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Stephen Flynn". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

STEPHEN FLYNN

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