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**Subject:** Readout from [REDACTED]/Melissa Stonewall meeting

Hi Susan,

As we discussed yesterday (or Monday, am losing track!), had a quick catch up with [REDACTED], policy lead at Stonewall, to get their feedback on the GI question, which I had called to tell them about previously.

I expect he'll share our conversation with [REDACTED]

He asked about the sex guidance – I said that we were still discussing it, and that we had provided some versions that were less direct than the rehearsal guidance for consideration (no more detail). He said that Stonewall accept there will probably be some compromise and that they would likely be fine with a version that keeps to the basic principle that allows trans people to respond with sex that they would choose to respond with.

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We discussed our [REDACTED], who we've been working with to finesse the community engagement plans and to discuss some comms plans. It would be good to meet with [REDACTED] - principally because of the time and effort they have committed to our project so far. This should definitely be before the topic reports are published. [REDACTED], with us, works closely with NHS – and because their organisation brings together many local LGBT groups, they might be quite influential in how the consensus on the question plays out. [REDACTED] is happy to speak with [REDACTED] about Stonewall's position on the question.

If its appropriate we can work with Maggie and the lines to figure out how to have a conversation with [REDACTED] at the earliest suitable opportunity.

Thanks,  
Melissa

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