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Dear Ms Gray,

Public Accounts Committee Evidence Session – Request for follow-up information

Thank you for attending the meeting of the Public Accounts Committee on Thursday 5 March 2020 and for the evidence they provided at that meeting.

I am writing to ask you to provide some follow-up information.

- Under the NI Public Procurement Policy, details of the new 5 stage model being introduced by Department of Finance for the Business Case Development Process;
- the number of staff who are now professionally qualified across NICS, CPD and associated Arms Bodies and the areas they are qualified in, including leadership and project management, and the qualifications awarded.
- The number of Senior Responsible Officers [SROs] who have left projects before the project has been completed.
- Finally, a member raised an issue with regard to NI Departments' Capital Funding from 2012 to 2021, which was £10.6 billion and the anticipated budget for 2020 to 2021 of a further £4.2 billion (please see NIAO Major Capital Projects, paragraph 1.4). Within this context, can you provide any clarification on the likelihood of this amount being made available by the Executive in 2020-21 to support major capital projects.

Please respond by **Friday 27th March** using the email address above.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "William J. Humphrey". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial 'W'.

William Humphrey
Chairperson
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