

[11/09/2020, 11:42:38] Liz Lloyd: [REDACTED] I&S

[11/09/2020, 11:49:15] Nicola Sturgeon: Quite quite extraordinary

[11/09/2020, 14:22:16] Nicola Sturgeon: I really don't get the delaying to Tuesday bit
Coronavirus: Birmingham lockdown restrictions increased
<https://www.bbc.co.uk/news/uk-england-birmingham-54117532>

[11/09/2020, 14:31:46] Liz Lloyd: I wonder if they have a legal issue

[21/09/2020, 19:54:15] Liz Lloyd: bBC will be offering you an address to the nation tomorrow.
Waiting on details but sounds like their plan is PM at 8 and you at 8.05 in Scotland.

[21/09/2020, 20:10:16] Nicola Sturgeon: Ok - we'll need to do it. I wonder if we should do in my office in SAH sitting at table??

[21/09/2020, 20:17:31] Liz Lloyd: Possibly, I don't think it should be basement. They want it pre rec'd earlier in the evening (he is recording his at 6). Anyway - awaiting more info on the precise proposal they are making

[22/09/2020, 12:09:42] Nicola Sturgeon: We haven't thought about weddings. They are reducing but not sure what to

[22/09/2020, 12:24:14] Liz Lloyd: I think as we only just put them up just leave it.

[22/09/2020, 12:25:11] Liz Lloyd: They aren't reducing churches etc as far as I know and I think - though will check - that they were higher than us

[22/09/2020, 12:31:51] Liz Lloyd: They had 30...we have 20

[22/09/2020, 12:32:25] Liz Lloyd: They are going to 15

[22/09/2020, 12:32:37] Liz Lloyd: And 30 at funerals - I think we stay at 20

[22/09/2020, 12:32:54] Liz Lloyd: Just emailed you his statement

[22/09/2020, 19:42:57] Nicola Sturgeon: I've just agreed to do piers Morgan on zoom from home in morning. I assume they'll contact comms - but [NR] will have to set up. So can they confirm time and details of how to link up

[22/09/2020, 19:48:00] Liz Lloyd: I've asked folk to sort.

[23/09/2020, 08:41:01] Nicola Sturgeon: I'm wondering if we should write publicly to pm today - essentially saying that we have taken tough action but worry that our actions being curtailed by lack of financial flexibility - we need to have ability to do more eg on pubs but devolved admins hamstrung - we need agreement on financial levers to allow us all to take whatever action necessary

[23/09/2020, 08:53:10] Liz Lloyd: Yes sounds reasonable. Want to refer to it at lunchtime - I'll get your office to commission letter

[23/09/2020, 09:02:53] Nicola Sturgeon: Yes could do briefly

Basically - this is a really crucial moment. We have taken tough action in Scotland but we all have to ask if we are doing enough. The biggest constraint on our actions now - esp for DAs - is lack of financial powers to mitigate economic impact. I word yesterday that wink powers to borro, we may have gone further on pubs - and it may become unavoidable to do so in future. We cannot fight this with one hand tied - need urgent talks to resolve

[24/09/2020, 22:06:45] Liz Lloyd: FYI - apart from the student crisis.. [REDACTED] I&S

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[24/09/2020, 22:07:16] Nicola Sturgeon: □ □

[24/09/2020, 22:07:25] Liz Lloyd: That's what I did in COBR

[24/09/2020, 22:07:44] Nicola Sturgeon: At least it was productive for one of us!

[28/09/2020, 07:56:10] Nicola Sturgeon: This vote in commons today demanding votes before emergency rules come in. I assume our group will sit this one out as it's England only??

[28/09/2020, 07:56:55] Liz Lloyd: That's what I advised last week but I don't have a final position

[28/09/2020, 07:57:25] Nicola Sturgeon: It would be somewhat difficult for us if our MPs voted for a position we don't have here...

[28/09/2020, 07:58:22] Liz Lloyd: Yep - FYI on this I've noticed some Scottish Tories [NR] in particular starting to make the same noises here - checking in with [NR]

[29/09/2020, 09:21:54] Nicola Sturgeon: Just leave [NR] for today / it's a bit late to change

[31/10/2020, 14:35:22] Nicola Sturgeon: Indeed

[31/10/2020, 14:37:28] Liz Lloyd: I was aiming for a walk and an afternoon on the sofa with a book.

[31/10/2020, 15:18:30] Liz Lloyd: Have you been dialled one yet?

[31/10/2020, 15:18:43] Nicola Sturgeon: Nope

[31/10/2020, 15:19:59] Liz Lloyd: You might be about to be. They just said something about 5 mins. Blackford on a separate briefing call is atleast getting Jenny Harries ...he's hearing cabinet is not going well - though not sure where he's getting that

[31/10/2020, 15:20:25] Nicola Sturgeon: I bet it's not

[31/10/2020, 15:21:17] Liz Lloyd: I've nearly watched a whole half of scotland v wales whilst waiting

[31/10/2020, 15:21:33] Nicola Sturgeon: I forgot that was on

[31/10/2020, 15:21:57] Liz Lloyd: We are losing

[31/10/2020, 15:21:59] Liz Lloyd: Just

[31/10/2020, 15:22:12] Nicola Sturgeon: Winning on Covid - for now

[31/10/2020, 15:22:37] Liz Lloyd: I think I can hear Cabinet

[31/10/2020, 15:22:54] Nicola Sturgeon: Are you dialled in?

[31/10/2020, 15:23:06] Liz Lloyd: Been on hold for 40 mins

[31/10/2020, 15:23:28] Nicola Sturgeon: What do you mean you can hear cabinet

[31/10/2020, 17:44:20] Liz Lloyd: are they so bad at this they are going to announce it during strictly

[31/10/2020, 17:47:57] Nicola Sturgeon: Looks that way.
I'm assuming the delay is to let rugby finish - but who knows??

[31/10/2020, 18:02:13] Liz Lloyd: [Name Redacted] has just said to [NR] that they are going to announce 80% job support scheme...so that's the thing we need to get our hands on either now or anytime

[31/10/2020, 18:03:33] Nicola Sturgeon: If we can't get a guarantee that will be available to us if we need to lockdown later, I fear it forces us to do it now

[31/10/2020, 18:03:52] Liz Lloyd: Yup

[31/10/2020, 18:09:29] Nicola Sturgeon: I've sent revised lines fo highlight this point

[31/10/2020, 18:10:38] Liz Lloyd: I was just doing that. Yes happy except I don't see why 80% shouldn't be available for closed businesses in our L3 so I'll tweak for that

[31/10/2020, 18:12:37] Nicola Sturgeon: Sent another version as I had forgotten to change first line

[31/10/2020, 18:13:16] Liz Lloyd: image omitted

[31/10/2020, 18:15:47] Nicola Sturgeon: Ok - can you email me that para

[31/10/2020, 18:39:42] Nicola Sturgeon: I've got a screenshot of the statement ready to tweet

[31/10/2020, 18:40:18] Liz Lloyd: If it ever happens.

[31/10/2020, 18:40:53] Liz Lloyd: Hitting the 15 mins between the rugby and strictly to lock the country up... let us never do this like this

[31/10/2020, 18:42:01] Nicola Sturgeon: Their comms are behind awful. We're not perfect but we don't get nearly enough credit for how much better than them we are

[31/10/2020, 19:01:05] Nicola Sturgeon: This is fucking excruciating- their comms are AWFUL

[31/10/2020, 19:06:49] Nicola Sturgeon: His utter incompetence in every sense is now offending me on behalf of politicians everywhere

[31/10/2020, 19:07:18] Liz Lloyd: I have a separate whatsapp with [NR] and davie and we are offended on behalf of Spads everywhere

[31/10/2020, 19:07:38] Nicola Sturgeon: He is a fucking clown

[31/10/2020, 19:23:27] Nicola Sturgeon: I'm assuming 80% will be available for any of our businesses shut now? The question is if it's only available in Nov, do we shut more to maximise impact of it

[31/10/2020, 19:25:28] Liz Lloyd: I assume so. And my reading is Nov only. Officials have been given all of that in their Qs for tomorrow and to push for it to be there whenever we want it - but yes it would give us reason to go harder in central belt particularly now while money is available rather than take our chances

[31/10/2020, 20:12:27] Nicola Sturgeon: They really are a shower. [Irrelevant & Sensitive] who has a catering company laid off all their workers yesterday and put company into liquidation

because of furlough reduction. He says today's announcement might have changed that, but too late

[31/10/2020, 20:14:07] Liz Lloyd: Yep one of my pals lost her job yesterday and another was making half her colleagues redundant. Not a clue

[01/11/2020, 11:50:23] Liz Lloyd: Treasury disc not till later in the afternoon so I am going for brunch and a walk.....and if you haven't already you should be leaving the house! Weekend rules

[01/11/2020, 12:02:14] Nicola Sturgeon: image omitted

[01/11/2020, 18:29:00] Liz Lloyd: My reason for setting a timeline for them to answer us on furlough is purely political - especially as we expect the answer to be no, it looks awful for them, and creating that kind of pressure could possibly result in a yes (though agree we shouldn't bank on it). Think I just want a good old fashioned rammy so can think about something other than sick people

[01/11/2020, 18:36:42] Nicola Sturgeon: Yeah I get it. And it might be worth doing. I've sent a rough formulation of what I might say tomorrow - I could for it in there

[01/11/2020, 20:20:43] Liz Lloyd: Just FYI - I'm going to take tomorrow at home / off - while everyone works though the advice etc. Colin will be in. Your office are sorting opposition meeting and I'm only a phone call away.

[01/11/2020, 20:28:18] Nicola Sturgeon: Ok

[01/11/2020, 20:33:32] Liz Lloyd: And I wonder if we should do a pilot and test teachers and seniors in the schools in Lanarkshire hotspotsthen atleast we know one way or the other. Just a thought

[01/11/2020, 20:34:07] Nicola Sturgeon: Yes might be worthwhile

[09/11/2020, 08:42:35] Liz Lloyd: Morning - just to say I'm back - if you need anything

[09/11/2020, 15:07:20] Nicola Sturgeon: Meant to ask before you left...is a speech being drafted. When am I likely to see a draft

[09/11/2020, 15:27:49] Liz Lloyd: A draft has just come to me and a few others to look at. I think he's working to 5pm. I'll write in what we agreed upstairs

[09/11/2020, 15:33:52] Nicola Sturgeon: Ok

[10/11/2020, 10:47:37] Liz Lloyd: Sorry double checking I'm right about something. In home socialising - the three island authorities - or islands in L1...(eg Skye and highland islands). I've taken it as island authorities

[10/11/2020, 11:27:52] Nicola Sturgeon: 3 island authorities

[12/11/2020, 19:29:08] Liz Lloyd: If I agree that the team don't need to do a watch list on Saturday - but do one on Sunday - will you be ok with that. You'll get one tomorrow

[12/11/2020, 19:29:28] Nicola Sturgeon: Ok - as long as I get one tomorrow

[12/11/2020, 19:29:50] Liz Lloyd: Yep Friday, Sunday and a final one on Monday ...

[12/11/2020, 19:29:54] Nicola Sturgeon: Ok

[13/11/2020, 10:52:52] I&S

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[13/11/2020, 10:54:38] Liz Lloyd: I&S

[14/11/2020, 10:36:05] I&S

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[18/11/2020, 20:20:02] Liz Lloyd: She wasn't entirely clear but whatever analysis has been done seems to suggest that - POSs for keeping it down / liveable not brining it down. I'd expect read out from nicola - just thought it was possibly good news for once

[18/11/2020, 20:20:24] Nicola Sturgeon: Hopefully!

[19/11/2020, 18:59:54] Liz Lloyd: We won. Labour and Rumbles against. Tories for

[19/11/2020, 19:00:16] Nicola Sturgeon: ☐

[19/11/2020, 19:01:02] Liz Lloyd: Michael M was very good in the closing.

[19/11/2020, 19:33:23] Nicola Sturgeon: Good

[19/11/2020, 19:47:26] Liz Lloyd: I missed this..maybe there was one more opponent than I thought

<https://www.dailyrecord.co.uk/news/politics/scottish-conservative-msp-oliver-mundell-23038610>

[19/11/2020, 19:51:16] Nicola Sturgeon: I saw it. What a ridiculous position

[20/11/2020, 12:09:43] Liz Lloyd: Wales have also objected - can't agree to timing before seeing plan and advice.

[20/11/2020, 15:15:01] Liz Lloyd: Emailed latest covid polling to you. Christmas stuff is interesting

[20/11/2020, 15:19:07] Nicola Sturgeon: Yeah am just having a look

[20/11/2020, 17:41:00] Liz Lloyd: Note on your email if you want to send anything

[20/11/2020, 17:42:05] Nicola Sturgeon: I already have. Has it not arrived?

[20/11/2020, 17:43:04] Nicola Sturgeon: I've sent again

[20/11/2020, 17:48:27] Liz Lloyd: Got it - my WiFi was slow

[20/11/2020, 21:01:42] Liz Lloyd:

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[20/11/2020, 21:03:16] Nicola Sturgeon: Indeed ☐

[20/11/2020, 21:04:46] Liz Lloyd: Gove wants to talk tomorrow - it's just come in. Have said to **Name** to hold off going back till the morning and suggest waiting for the proposal before agreeing

[20/11/2020, 21:06:05] Nicola Sturgeon: I've just seen the email. I'm happy to do call, subject to proposal...but I wonder if we should make clear in advance we won't agree anything without cabinet approval (and get Wales to sign up to that)

[20/11/2020, 21:09:18] Liz Lloyd: Yep Cabinet Tuesday is a good marker. Tuesday or Weds might not be bad days for us to announce either. I am increasingly leaning to just one other household after seeing the poll. But I'm also a grinch about Christmas

[20/11/2020, 21:10:30] Nicola Sturgeon: I am too - but on this I (reluctantly) think there's merit in uk wide position. Let's see the proposal

[20/11/2020, 21:39:23] Liz Lloyd: Drakeford up for a chat once we have a proposal and pre call.

[20/11/2020, 21:39:57] Nicola Sturgeon: Ok good

[21/11/2020, 11:17:07] Liz Lloyd: I'm going to try and go for a dose of fresh air (in the rain) and some lunch and be back around 3ish for Xmas chat. There's UK officials call at 1330 which I suppose will be to finalise the paper. So I don't expect to see anything before 3.

[21/11/2020, 11:17:20] Nicola Sturgeon: Ok

[21/11/2020, 11:17:56] Liz Lloyd: Do I need to nag you to go outside this weekend or are you on it

[21/11/2020, 11:18:27] Nicola Sturgeon: I'm going to head out for a while too

[21/11/2020, 16:08:59] Liz Lloyd: If you want anything pre Wales or CDL I'm about.

[21/11/2020, 16:18:09] Nicola Sturgeon: I'm ok I think. I intend to be quite firm on the call

[21/11/2020, 16:19:51] Liz Lloyd: Im wondering if we want to ask for modelling of impact of 2 versus 3...though we may not really want to know

[21/11/2020, 17:52:06] Nicola Sturgeon:

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[21/11/2020, 17:54:51] Liz Lloyd:

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[21/11/2020, 18:00:01] Nicola Sturgeon: Indeed.

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[23/11/2020, 21:22:45] Nicola Sturgeon: I've just had a really irritating and unhelpful note from Jeane on Xmas - which I've replied to quite firmly. But it has annoyed me.

[15/03/2021, 16:37:20] Nicola Sturgeon: I am reaching my outer limits of being able to put up with stuff. <https://twitter.com/bbcscotlandnews/status/1371495761842700289?s=24>

[15/03/2021, 17:27:59] Nicola Sturgeon: Missed voice call

[15/03/2021, 20:17:57] Liz Lloyd: When you respond on cabinet paper - in June - could we make it 6/3 indoors - it's just much more normal!

[15/03/2021, 20:19:53] Nicola Sturgeon: That will be after 4/3 mid may I assume?

[15/03/2021, 20:21:05] Liz Lloyd: Indoors April 4/2, May 6/2....is what I currently have

[15/03/2021, 20:23:13] Nicola Sturgeon: Is that indoors in pubs etc? thought we were waiting til may for indoor households

[15/03/2021, 20:26:14] Liz Lloyd: We appear to be waiting till June for indoors at home...

[15/03/2021, 20:27:05] Liz Lloyd: So in pubs etc it's 4/2 in April, 6/2 in may ...and then in June it should go to 6/3 and we allow you to meet in your own home

[15/03/2021, 20:27:44] Liz Lloyd: Cabinet paper doesn't actually run all the way to June but my mock graphics do.

[15/03/2021, 20:28:06] Nicola Sturgeon: We should bring indoor houses to mid may

[15/03/2021, 20:28:32] Liz Lloyd: Can you make that your feedback or do you want me to do it

[15/03/2021, 20:28:38] Nicola Sturgeon: I'll do it

[15/03/2021, 20:32:48] Nicola Sturgeon: I don't have the cabinet paper yet

[15/03/2021, 20:59:46] Nicola Sturgeon: Jeane just sent me an alarmist text about vaccine supply - suggesting mid April might be in doubt ☐

[15/03/2021, 22:04:29] Liz Lloyd: I don't buy it - england powering ahead with no hint of an issue

[15/03/2021, 22:12:04] Nicola Sturgeon: Indeed, but here's what she sent

Hi. A fuller briefing will come tomorrow when modelling is complete but we have had notice from BEIS of a reduction in expected AZ supply which in worse case scenario even accounting for slight increase in Pfizer sees a reduction of 450k doses because 1) 1 supply of 100k due in mid April failed batch test and 2) the short use date supply expected in mid March from India is delayed to mid April. We're querying some of this and I'm in touch with Hancock but this may, may delay our mid April target for 1-9. The supply is still expected but with delayed dates so that could bring forward the end July date for all adults. We should be clearer tomorrow. J

[15/03/2021, 22:16:44] Liz Lloyd: Hmm Moderna due April though too. I'm going to stay confident till we get more info than a text.

[16/03/2021, 10:17:54] Liz Lloyd: So for the purposes of documents etc - lift Stay at Home on 2nd April? Leave all other 5 April changes on the 5th.

[16/03/2021, 10:19:09] Nicola Sturgeon: Yes

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