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Peter, thanks for the feedback from DoJ Minister. Yes it would certainly be unwise right now to commit to firm timelines, or even firm 'order of events'. We need to remain flexible and able to respond to the rapidly emerging evidence, especially the evidence of what works in countries that are ahead of us in moving towards recovery. I hope we will be able to strike a balance in our Exec paper which will allay concerns.

Liz

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Liz

Thanks. That's really helpful. We have had some feedback from DFM on the outline one pager which I will forward for information.

I have also had a lengthy conversation with my Minister this morning and anticipate she will seek a clear staged process – so people know where we are and what might be next if the health advice allows it. She is concerned at the piecemeal approach where people put in things that they have been lobbied on and wants to see a more structured approach. She also wants the cumulative impact of measures proposed to be taken into account as well as having coherent messaging across all Executive Ministers.

I have tried to condition her expectations about what is likely to be possible for next week – suggesting the menu of options might provide a means for the Executive to decide (on advice) which sort of measures might be in the first category for relaxation (even if they decide next week is not the time to start that). With more clarity possible for the next review.

Peter

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Peter,

Just to say that your drafting aligns very closely with the approach we are taking to the Executive paper, so very supportive of the direction.

I would like to come back to you with some more detailed comments and suggestions, and will aim to do this by late morning/early afternoon.

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I think this is good Peter and it avoids some of the pitfalls which may be faced by SG and WG.

One tiny comment on aspect (iii), societal impacts. Could we reword slightly

(iii) the societal and economic impacts from the regulations including the benefits which result from relaxation for people and place

On the review, I have a call at 11.30 with Roger Halliday, chief statistician SG. If anyone wants to join the call, please let me know and I'll set up a dial in

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Chris/Karen/Liz

Here's a first draft of the sort of document it might be possible to put to the Executive to agree setting out the basis for decision making on relaxing restrictions following FM/DFM request for such.

I retain all my reservations about the purpose in going down this route without a really clear message to convey. It might be that the review will provide such a message or indeed much greater clarity about how the decisions will be taken. I know Liz and colleagues are working on a paper for Executive next week.

Happy to take any observations and improvements – as the Health Review paper takes shape there may well be material that can sensibly be imported into this one (and indeed replace aspects of it). We need all of this to align.

Peter

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