

Log of substantive contact between the Office for Budget Responsibility and Treasury Ministers, Special Advisers and their private office staff between 25 November 2015 and 15 March 2016

Date	Which Ministers, Offices or Special Advisers?	Type of contact	Brief summary of discussion/purpose
01/02/2016	Chancellor, Chief Secretary, Chancellor's and CST's office officials, other Treasury officials.	Email	Note on the first round economy forecast.
11/02/2016	Chancellor, Chief Secretary, Chancellor's and CST's office officials, other Treasury officials.	Email	Note on the first round fiscal forecast.
25/02/2016	Chancellor, Chief Secretary, Chancellor's and CST's office officials, other Treasury officials.	Email	Note on the second round economy and fiscal forecast.
04/03/2016	Chancellor, Chief Secretary, Chancellor's and CST's office officials, other Treasury officials.	Email	Note on the third round economy and fiscal forecast.
07/03/2016	Chancellor, Chancellor's office officials, other Treasury officials.	Meeting with the BRC	To discuss the economy and fiscal forecast.
11/03/2016	Chancellor, Chief Secretary, Chancellor's and CST's office officials, special advisers, other Treasury officials.	Email	Providing a draft copy of the March 2016 <i>Economic and fiscal outlook</i> under agreed exceptional pre-release arrangements for the Chancellor and named officials (listed below).
15/03/2016	Chancellor, Chief Secretary, Chancellor's and CST's office officials, special advisers, other Treasury officials.	Email	To provide 24 hours pre-release access to the March 2016 <i>Economic and fiscal outlook</i> and supporting documents.

Exceptional pre-release access list

Paragraph 23 of the Memorandum of Understanding between the Office for Budget Responsibility, HM Treasury, the Department for Work & Pensions and HM Revenue & Customs sets out that the OBR may provide exceptional pre-release access to its documents ahead of publication, where early access to material may significantly improve the accuracy or usefulness of another publication, and the publication is intended to be published at the same time as, or shortly after, that material.

As noted in the Foreword of each *Economic and fiscal outlook* and in each *Log of substantive contact* publication, we provide advance pre-release access to our draft *Economic and fiscal outlook* to the Chancellor, special advisers and a named list of Treasury officials on the Friday before publication.

The list of people who received the draft version (either in full or in part) of the March 2016 *Economic and fiscal outlook* on 11 March are:

Ministers

Chancellor of the Exchequer

Officials

Permanent Secretary – Sir Nicholas Macpherson

Second Permanent Secretary – John Kingman

Director General – Chief Economic Adviser – Sir Dave Ramsden

Director General, Tax and Welfare – James Bowler

Director General, Public Spending and Finance – Julian Kelly

Director, Fiscal and Deputy Chief Economic Adviser – James Richardson

Director, Strategy, Planning and Budget – Clare Lombardelli

Director, Personal Tax, Welfare and Pensions – Beth Russell

Deputy Director, Fiscal Statistics and Policy – Chris Drane

Deputy Director, Strategy, Planning and Budget – Richard Williams

Deputy Director, Economic Assessment – James Smith

Deputy Director, General Expenditure Policy – Stuart Glassborow

Deputy Director, Welfare Spending and Reform – Simon Gallagher

Head, Macroeconomic Coordination and Strategy

Official preparing Budget document (fiscal)

Official preparing briefing (economy)

Official preparing briefing (fiscal forecast)

Official preparing briefing (fiscal forecast)

Official preparing briefing (fiscal forecast)

Official preparing briefing (fiscal policy)

Official preparing briefing (spending)

Official preparing briefing (spending)

Official preparing briefing (spending)

Official preparing briefing (welfare)

Official preparing briefing (policy costings)

Official preparing briefing (DWP)

Official preparing briefing (DWP)

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